Mrs. Schauble’s Classroom Blog

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child has started a nonfiction (informative) unit. In order to increase the engagement of reading, participation, and discussion inside and outside of the classroom, I have created a classroom blog. The blog site I am using is called Edmodo. Edmodo is only used for educational purposes. Edmodo is private. Outsiders are not able to search for my classroom blog. Students are only able to log on the classroom blog with an access code that I will give them when your child sets up an account. Once they activate an account, then I have to approve them. The students can only post comments on my blog or the group blog. They do not have the capability to post on each other’s blog site. When your child has been approved to log on to the blog they can give you a separate access code to get on the site as a parent. Each parent code is completely different.

Washington State has switched to the Common Core Standards. The standards ask for increasing amount of use of technology in the classroom. This spring time, your child will be taking the Smarter Balanced Assessment. The assessment requires a large amount of computer time where students need to have the ability to research, answer questions, and type responses in a given time. The purpose of my classroom blog is to access articles I post and have students respond to the article and comment on each other’s responses. The students have done an excellent job this year increasing their critical thinking skills and adding to our classroom discussions.

I have set the standard that students are to only use the classroom blog for the purpose to read articles, comment on them, and respond to each other’s responses. If they choose to use it for another purpose, I will immediately deactivate their blog and the possibility of consequences may occur.  *Please see student planner about appropriate computer usage.*

If you have any concerns or questions please contact me, [morgan.veleke@ksd.org](mailto:morgan.veleke@ksd.org)

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As a parent/legal guardian of , I have read and understand the Classroom Blog purposes. (parent signature)

I, , understand Mrs. Schauble’s classroom blog will only be used for educational value to increase the knowledge, engagement, and discussion in the classroom. If I choose to use the site for another purpose, my account will be immediately shut down and consequences may occur.