

GATOR TEACHING HIGHLIGHT



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Mrs. Hamrick
4th/5th Grade Technology



Social Media Test Drive

At Gateway, one of the tenants that we have in our mission statement is, “imparting 21st-century skills for living well in an interconnected world.”

Mrs. Hamrick is following 5th Grade Technology TEKS and preparing our students for the changing technological advances our students must master. A big scare for parents these days is how to effectively teach their children about digital citizenship, and the dangers of the web. Mrs. Hamrick’s latest lesson does just that. Mrs. Hamrick has utilized Social Media Test Drive in order to introduce students safely to the following topics online:

- Accounts and Passwords
- Responding to Breaking News (Learning Credible Sources)
- Ups and Downs of Social Media
- What Should Not be Shared on Social Media
- Shaping Your Digital Footprint
- How to be an Upstander and Prevent Online Bullying
- Healthy Limits for Social Media Usage



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Masterful Use of the Weekly Agenda

As you can see below, Mrs. Hamrick posts a weekly agenda with exactly what the students do each week. Each teacher is responsible to share their essential question, curriculum covered, and how rigorous the work is through their use of WICOR. Blackboard allows our parents and students to have 24/7 access to the classroom and resources.



Weekly Agenda

Social Media Test Drive - self paced tour of Safe Digital Practices

Monday - MLK Holiday

Tuesday-Friday: Learn about social media practices, Password protection, Internet rules, expectations and guidelines.

Essential Question: Why is learning about "HOW" to use Social Media useful in real life?

What guidelines need to be followed in order to be socially appropriate and have internet etiquett when posting, replying, commenting, chatting, etc.

Homework: Keyboarding - Advanced lessons

Teacher Resources:

TEKS: 5th grade Technology Applications 1A, 1C, 2A, 2C, 3A, 3C, 3D, 4A, 4B, 5A - 5G, 6A, 6E

WICOR: Writing, Inquiry, Collaborating, Organization, Reading

Mrs. Hamrick doesn't just teach Technology

Mrs. Hamrick allows her students to get involved in the school community. Her students competed to design the Dance Team's Winter Show program. They are currently competing to design the cover to our Secondary Course Catalog. An assignment this week has students competing for a large college scholarship from Google as they create a Doodle Sketch for the Google Homepage on the theme, "What Makes You Strong." Mrs. Hamrick's students even created digital Christmas cards for students in a residential treatment facility who could not be with their families. Mrs. Hamrick is a real super star, and she is making a big impact here at Gateway.