

June 1, 2019

Dear Future 7th Grade Parents and Guardians:

Yes, it is possible that your child has survived his/her first year of middle school, and congratulations to both of you! Now that you have made it this far, we would like to explain the summer program required for your future 7th grader by West Bay Christian Academy. This note also provides a supply list for next year. We hope you and your family have a great summer, the kind in TV ads. I will see you on the first day of school!

God Bless,  
Mrs. Gluckin and the Middle School Team  
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### **REQUIRED READING:**

- ***China Cry*** by Nora Lam  
*China Cry was lent to your student at closing programs, or is available through the school office. Please be very careful with these out-of-print books and make sure WBCA gets your copy back. This can be a challenging book because of the historical time period it covers: Japan's occupation of China and the communist rule of China. Most parents and guardians love reading this together with their student.*
- Complete a book project for *China Cry* that includes the following elements:
 

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|--------------|-------------------------|
| ○ Title      | ○ Plot Summary          |
| ○ Author     | ○ Conflict & Resolution |
| ○ Genre      | ○ Personal Review       |
| ○ Characters | ○ Visuals               |

Sample project types include: book report or journal, poster, digital presentation, foldable, hanging mobile, pamphlet, movie pitch... get creative, just include all required elements!

### **REQUIRED MATH**

- **Using their school Google account, students should work on their 6th grade mission in Khan Academy.** Categories that should be focused on first are “arithmetic operations” and “ratios, rates, and percentages.” Word problems in these categories should be completed as well. **Students should enter 7th grade with a competence in fractions, decimals, and percents.** Students who complete a **minimum of three hours** will receive a quiz score of 100 in the fall. *If you would like to keep track of your child's time, please sign up in Khan Academy as a coach and have your child enter your coach's code on their account. If your child is starting new in the fall, please also enter class code **F6RC7WEV** which leads to the sixth grade mission.*

### **REQUIRED KEYBOARDING:**

- **Minimum of three hours of TypingClub practice.** It is increasingly important for students to develop and maintain typing skills. TypingClub is an educational program that will help students learn and practice their keyboarding. The program is fully web-based so students can use it anywhere with an internet connection. Summer practice time is tracked within the program and will count as a quiz score in R&TI class in September: complete a **minimum of three hours** and receive an S+ (above average); complete **4 or more hours** to receive an O (Outstanding).
- **West Bay's TypingClub account is found at <https://westbaychristianacademy.typingclub.com>** Login with Google (select to link with student's WBCA account). Be sure you are in Class of 2021 to receive credit.

## **REQUIRED SUPPLIES**

### **Homeroom/General Supplies**

- 2 boxes of tissues
- 2 rolls of paper towels
- 2 containers of antibacterial wipes
- 1 bottle of hand sanitizer
- Blue or black pens, and red or green correcting pens (Standard, not gel or cartridge)
- Pencils and erasers
- A pencil case/pouch with the student's name on it
- A pencil sharpener with attached well
- 2 highlighters
- White lined paper for all binders
- Earbuds / earphones
- Chromebook case (to be purchased after start of school year)

### **Bible Supplies**

- Zondervan *NIV Study Bible*
- 1 binder (1 1/2 inch, yellow) with 5 page dividers
- Loose leaf paper

### **Math Supplies**

- Two large spiral notebooks (black)
- Pocket folder (black)
- Math compass and protractor
- Scientific calculator such as TI30x (should cost between \$8 and \$15)
- Whiteboard and markers for personal use, if desired

### **English Supplies**

- 1 binder (1 1/2 inch) blue
- 10 page dividers
- 1 pack of lined loose leaf paper

### **Science Supplies**

- Marble-style composition notebook (green, for students who do not wish to continue to use last year's)
- Pocket folder (green)

### **Social Studies Supplies**

- 1 binder (1 1/2 inch) red
- 5 page dividers
- 1 pack of lined loose leaf paper

### **Research & Technology Integration**

- One 2-pocket folder with pattern/image (ie make it different from core subjects)

### **Foreign Language**

- Three ring binder with page dividers

### **Music**

One 2-pocket folder with any kind of design or pattern