

A LETTER to our PARENTS and CAREGIVERS

This coming school year is anything but ordinary. To meet these extraordinary times, we'll be using an extraordinary English / Language Arts program this year called **Amplify ELA**.

Amplify ELA is a standards-based English / Language Arts program that helps middle schoolers read and understand complex texts, encouraging them to grapple with interesting ideas and find relevance for themselves.

Students using **Amplify ELA** read and annotate text passages, interpret what they find, discuss their thinking with peers, and develop their ideas in writing. The lesson structure is easy to follow, but flexible enough to allow for a variety of learning experiences and varied enough to keep students engaged.

Features include:

- Functionality that will allow your student the opportunity to work at his/her own level while also being challenged appropriately.
- Built-in tools allowing your child's teacher to track and respond to his/her work.
- A digital library containing more than 700 downloadable full-length fiction and non-fiction books.
- A Vocab App that uses game-like activities to help your child master key words from the program's texts.
- Independent writing assignments called Solos, available on mobile devices.

The students will access **Amplify ELA** through My Backpack. Each teacher has shared a help sheet in their Google Classroom to assist students with this process.

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