

Turning Points



Pivotal Moments in Human History

Dear Parents, Teachers, and PEAKers,

Students spent the week putting everything together for their upcoming Independent Study presentations: research, books, printed materials, website info, interviews, Sway projects as visual aids, note cards for key presentation points, citing of sources, and test-running and timing the presentations. All of them have come a long way, and there's still a way to go! I hope the students are keeping you informed, and I hope they'll give you a preview presentation at home over the next two weeks before our final presentations.

This week, there will be no regular weekly PEAK classes, as the PEAK staff will be in all elementary schools completing creativity screenings of 2nd graders. Instead, we'll all meet at 4Gs Thursday evening (5:00-5:15pm) to bus to Butte for an incredible and action-packed overview of Montana's main Turning Point: Mining! See below for some of our activities. A detailed itinerary and schedule will accompany this newsletter in my weekly email. We'll be back at 4Gs for parent pickup on Friday at 4pm.

This Week's Activities: March 14 - 15

Research: Expert-Led I can listen to, learn from, and actively ask questions of an expert in a specific field.	Mining on our Minds - Students will learn all about mining in Butte from experienced miners and staff at the World Museum of Mining, and later at the Berkeley Pit.
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Creativity: Product Development I can create projects that contain my own design choices such as color, style, pattern, etc. and describe why I chose them.	Ore(o) Cart Creation - Student teams will participate in a creativity and problem-solving challenge to build "ore carts" that will carry a precious substance: Oreos! Teamwork and creativity will be the key.

Hittin' the Road,

J. Slead

PEAK GT4-5: Spring 2024

March 11	12	13	14	15
			PEAK GT4-5 Butte Overnight Research Experience Details coming soon!	
No regular PEAK classes; PEAK staff screening in all schools				
18 Jefferson Rossiter Warren Final Presentations: DPHHS Auditorium 12:00-1:30	19 Jim Darcy Kessler Central Final Presentations: L & C Library Conf. Room 12:00-1:30	20 Four Georgians Hawthorne Final Presentations: DPHHS Auditorium 12:00-1:30	21 Smith Broadwater Bryant Final Presentations: DPHHS Auditorium 12:00-1:30	22
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Spring Break				
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