## Parents/Guardians,

Greetings! We are excited to announce that we will hosting two opportunities for you and your student this semester. We will be hosting a Literacy and History Night on October 3<sup>rd</sup> and a STEAM (Science, Math, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) Night on November 13<sup>th</sup>.

Literacy and History Night is **Tuesday**, **October 3**<sup>rd</sup>, **2017 from 5:30-7:30**. *Please drop in some time during this time frame for a student-led tour of learning*. In Language Arts and Social Studies classes students will be preparing to present to you a reflection of their learning in literacy and history. You and your student can rotate between their reading, writing, and history classes for student-led conferences. During a student-led conference, your child will sit down with you and share some of their work and learning.

We are so excited about our students reading, writing, and historical analysis and thinking this year at Hunter Middle School! As you know, your student has been actively engaged in a large volume of reading and also has written and published numerous pieces of his/her own writing, and engaged in a great deal of historical inquiry and analysis. The finished work as well as the process along the way represents a massive amount of work, effort, and learning on the part of your child. Student reflections as well as concrete examples of student work can reveal much more about his or her learning and growth than can be conveyed through grades or comments. We are striving to improve our students' reflective practice on their own work, and our hope is that, in doing so, they can build towards independence as learners.

We would like to include parents as an audience for this reflective work through student-led conferences in reading, writing, and social studies. This is a positive opportunity for you to help us give students practice reflecting upon their strengths and challenges as well as their personal goals as learners.

We hope you will be able to attend with your student as they take you on a tour of their learning in literacy and history. Please return the bottom portion of this letter to your child's homeroom teacher by Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

Robert Alford Principal

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I will be attending Literacy and History Night on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 with my student.

Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_

We will not be able to attend Literacy and History Night. \_\_\_\_\_