



# Ms. Mac's News

Parent Newsletter for CMIT South Chemistry

## Almost There !

**Greetings!** As we approach the end of the school year, here is a quick update, as well as advice on how to help your scholar do their best in Chemistry:

**In Class:** This week students took a test on reactions in aqueous solutions, molarity, and dilutions, and have begun their class presentations on Acids & Bases. The presentations are worth **150 Assessment points**; and provide an opportunity for peer teaching. Please also be on the lookout for an extra credit opportunity (instructions will be posted on Edmodo). Lastly there will be **Final Exam on June 6th (study guide will be provided soon)**.

**Study Habits:** I did some research - most college students are expected to spend 1 - 2 hours outside of *each class* session studying (*US News*). Developing better study habits in high school is a key to success. The homework that is assigned in Chemistry is designed to aide in providing understanding and establishing better study habits. Furthermore the textbook outlines the key points in **bold**. This, I believe is very helpful for note taking & studying. Students should be studying **daily**. Chemistry, especially, is not a subject to be learned on the fly.

**Edmodo:** ALL classwork and homework can be found in the folders! So if your scholar is absent, you can find the work here ahead of them returning to school. Also - the simulations posted on Edmodo (<https://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulations/category/chemistry>) are great practice tools!

**Finally - please encourage your scholars to not wait until there is a test or major misunderstanding of concepts to ask questions. Please email me for a time to come and see me if you need help. Students are not taking advantage of my availability. I am here to help.**

**Study Tips:** Please Check out this article :<https://blog.prepscholar.com/how-to-study-better-in-high-school>

- Re-writing notes; use highlighters/color coding (this I have used even in

### Up Next :

- **PARCC on Thursdays through May 17th**
- **Class Presentations April 30th - May 30th**
- **Chapter 19 Test**
- **Chapter 17 & 14 Quiz**
- **Final Exam June 6th**

college/grad school)

- Pay close attention to key vocabulary & guiding questions
- Jot down questions you have and ask them as soon as possible

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### COMMUNICATION

Please communicate any problems or questions with course matter as soon as they arise.

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### AVAILABILITY

Tutoring Th/F 7:30am. I am available via call Thursdays and Fridays 7:30am

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### PARTNERSHIP

Team work makes the dream work!

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Sincerely,

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