Hello 7th grade science students and families,

I hope you and your families are healthy and doing well considering all that is happening in our community. The district has provided some online resources for students while they are at home, practicing social distancing. You can access those resources (Click <u>HERE</u>).

In our 7th grade science class, we recently started a new unit of study about Plate Tectonics and Geological Processes. We had just finished reading about volcanoes and the Earth's interior (inner core, outer core, mantle, crust) when school closed. Here is a link to the text book we are using in class: http://standleyfrankenscience.weebly.com/uploads/5/9/9/3/59932823/plate tectonics book 2020.pdf

Our next planned topic of discussion will be Geologic Time. We will help students create an awareness of Geologic Time and how long Earth has been around and how long geologic processes have had to shape our Earth and produce the land forms we see today. We will also help students understand a basic sequence of events (i.e. dinosaurs lived and became extinct before the first fossil evidence of modern humans).

This might be an exciting resource related to the geological processes we've discussed and will be discussing in 7th grade science (Click <u>HERE</u>).

Additionally, I've developed a Volcano WebQuest activity for students to explore various volcanoes. This WebQuest activity can be accessed on my class website here: http://standleyfrankenscience.weebly.com/uploads/5/9/9/3/59932823/volcano_webquest2020.pdf

The district provided resources and the links I've provided should be considered supplemental and will not be graded.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I'm working on planning curriculum for when we return to school and grading students' Introduced Species Pamphlet Projects (submitted prior to closing of school). Feel free to email me at khardy@sandi.net.

Take care and be well, Mrs. Frank