

Parents,

In addition to our new science textbooks, we also have an online portal that the students can access at home. I have been exploring the online portion this first quarter and have found many great resources that may benefit your child in my class. The online parts that I am going to discuss are not mandatory, but are to be used as a resource if your child needs further understanding or audio accommodations.

The online portal can be accessed at this link:

<https://www-k6.thinkcentral.com>

When you arrive at the homepage, you will have to input some information about our school.

Country:	United States ▼
State:	INDIANA ▼
District:	Diocese Ft Wayne-s Bend Ed Off, Fort Wayne 46802 ▼
School:	St Joseph Hessen Cassel School, Fort Wayne 46816 ▼

Your student's login information:

Username: 1st letter of first name then last name (For example, mine would be tlitchfield)

Password: 1st name

*All letters should be lowercase with no spaces. If students first names only have 4 letters, there will be a 1 following their name in their password only. Nelson is nknape and Nyles is nknape1 because of duplicate initials.

Once in the portal, there is a box that says, "Things to Do". This is where the assigned lessons will be located.

What is offered:

Digital Lesson

- For each lesson, there is a digital lesson that further explains concepts. This is something that I can assign to students each lesson that we cover in class. These are nice because it is another way of explaining the information. It is something that I need to assign to give students access to it.

Student Online Textbook

- The online textbook is basically an online version of the textbook. The text can be made larger or smaller, and students can even highlight text while they read. This is something that I can assign each lesson in case a student leaves their book at school or need to access their book electronically.

Audio Download

- The audio download is an audio version of the textbook. This is great for students who like to listen to the readings. We usually read aloud in class, but this is a great way to hear the text another time. Again, this is something that I need to assign, so if your child would like to listen to text, please let me know.

These are just some of the few features that are found online. In class we have explored some virtual labs, but have not been able to utilize as much of the online accessories yet. If any of these features would be helpful to your student, please let me know so that I can get them added to their profiles. As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me!

- Mrs. Litchfield