

# Eighth Grade Edition

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## This Week's News

### Subject Update—Literature

We continue to work through *The Count of Monte Cristo* in class. Over break, the 8th graders will be reading Chapters 60-65. We will finish the book the first week we get back from break. A couple weeks later, we will start our new book, Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice*. We will be using a version that has the original Shakespearean text, as well as a translation into modern English. The school has ordered these books, and your family account will be charged approximately \$7.00 to cover the cost. Again, if you have the copy we will be using, let me know so I can make sure you are not charged for a book that will not be used.

### Auction Project Paper

Over the Christmas break would be a great time to work on the Auction Project Autobiography Paper. We have talked about it some in class. This is something that will take time and cannot be thrown together at the last minute. The rough draft of this paper is due when we come back from break. I hope this is a fun experience for both you and your student to dig deeper into who they are as a person.

### Merry Christmas

I wish you and your family a wonderful Christmas season. God bless you all. See you in 2010!

#### Questions?

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. I'm always happy to hear feedback.

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