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**Whitewater Rafting Expedition: Meet in the Annex parking lot at 7AM**

**What a week! All students attempted a social media/smartphone vacation, and they have now returned to their digital lives. Students expressed a range of reactions to this project, but my hope is that the experience was valuable for all. I look forward to reading the reflections and finding out what students learned about themselves and the world around them.**

**My classes have completed the earth science curriculum, and now the momentum is building toward the earth science Regents exam. This week is all about assessment. It will begin with an astronomy quiz, so students should be studying their notes and vocabulary (including the moon and the two types of eclipses). The week will end with a final exam that is designed to simulate the experience of a full-length Regents exam. Students should use their flash cards to check for understanding of key concepts prior to this exam. Once the tests are graded I will use the results to inform our review efforts for the remainder of the year.**

**Shout out to everyone going on the whitewater rafting expedition this weekend!!!**

**Regards,**

**Jason Williams**