**7th Grade & MA Science Week of May 11**

Write an essay using the writing rubric after choosing a position on the theory of plate tectonics. Assignments can be emailed to me as an attachment or take a photo of completed work and email me at [drowe@tusd.net](mailto:drowe@tusd.net) or deliver to school. **Online work can be submitted at anytime until May15. May 15 is the drop off day for paper work.** Be sure to include your name on all work. If you have any questions or concerns my office hours will be daily, Monday-Friday, 10:30- 11:30 and 1:30-2:30 by email.

**Alfred Wegener Theory of Plate Tectonics Essay**

Alfred Wegener proposed the theory of plate tectonics using multiple areas of evidence. His theory was not accepted by the scientific community. Choose a position supporting and not supporting the theory. Be sure to include evidence for your position.

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| **Content** | **1** | **2** | **3** |
| Clearly introduce topic using a topic sentence. |  |  |  |
| Use an appropriate organizational structure. |  |  |  |
| Develop the topic with the relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples. |  |  |  |
| Use appropriate transitions to create cohesion. |  |  |  |
| Use content specific language to inform or explain the topic. |  |  |  |
| Provide a strong conclusion. |  |  |  |
| **Conventions** | **1** | **2** | **3** |
| Edit for proper capitalization, punctuation, indentation, and grammar/usage. |  |  |  |
| Spell high frequency words and content specific vocabulary correctly. |  |  |  |
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**1** = Missing; **2** = Almost There/Not Yet;  **3** = Got it!