

Welcome to 2019!! At this point we have already completed 40% of the school year and are ready to march through the next 6 months accomplishing all of our goals set forth at the beginning of the school year. As I always say it is a group effort to get our students where they need to be, and you as parents play an integral role in that process. Working side by side we can ensure each and every one of our students meets or exceeds their goals, and grows both academically and social-emotionally throughout the process.

Transitioning back to the routines of school can at times be difficult for us as adults, but also for our students. If your child is having trouble getting back into the routine of school and you need assistance, our counselors are only a phone call away to assist in any way that they can. To ease the transition here at school we are revisiting our schoolwide expectations with all of our students, as well as reiterating classroom expectations to ensure we are all on the same page after our long vacation away from school. Often times it takes a few days to get back into the routine and functioning as we did before, so please keep this in mind when working with your child during this time frame.

Attendance is one of the biggest indicators of success in school and beyond, and we want to do everything we can to ensure our students are here and getting the education they deserve. To that end one of our goals for this school year is to have a final attendance rate of 95.5%. So far through the first four months of school we are just under our mark at 95.3%, which is slightly higher than our rate last year at this time of 95.1%. We are looking for your assistance in ensuring our students are here when they are able to be in order to get the full complement of instruction we offer, and more importantly they deserve. If your child is sick please keep them home and provide a written note upon their return, but in other circumstances please do what you can to get your child into school. Please help us in providing your children the education you expect from us by getting them here on a daily basis. Working together we can make this happen!

As a reminder our teachers offer “scholar hour” at least one day a week after school to support any and all needs of our students. Students can coordinate the days to stay after with their teachers to get extra help or assistance with homework and/or preparing for tests. This is a great tool that is offered to help our students stay on top of their work, and more importantly get what they need to be successful. A full schedule was sent out previously but is also located on our Middle School webpage under the tab “Scholar Hour Information”.

If you have any questions regarding this you can reach out to your child’s teachers or counselor for more information. As usual I appreciate your support for what we do with and for your children, and if you have any questions or concerns feel free to reach out and let me know. Let’s continue having a great year together, and always remember to Never Be Less Than YOUR Best!!

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