

Good Evening Southwest Family,

This is your proud principal, Dr. Richmond, with your updates for the week. Here are your updates for the week of April 6.

### **At the Ranch**

-3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report cards will be ready on Tuesday via the parent portal. We are at the final week before spring break. There will be no school for students next week April 14- April 18.

-On Wednesday, all students will take their final NWEA Math assessment. Please ensure students come to school with a fully charged Chromebook. Also on Wednesday jazz band and Campus Life will happen.

-On Thursday, our 8<sup>th</sup> graders will take a rescheduled tour of SWGHS, and on Friday some of our 8<sup>th</sup> graders will take a field trip.

-Please be reminded that we are in the final push towards EOGs and the next grade level. We cannot afford distractions such as cell phones and headphones. Students may have these items confiscated and held for parent pick-up. Please help us help students be prepared.

-Last week, I did some investigating to break up some cyberbullying that was causing several problems at SWMS. As I told students, I take that very seriously and no student deserves to have to hear about things being said about them online. Please be aware that at SWMS, any student found starting bullying group chats and those found instigating negative situations will be sought out and consequences brought down. All of our kids deserve the best. Students can always feel safe in coming to their trusted school adult to report this type of behavior.

### **Athletics**

-Baseball and softball will have two games this week. They will be HOME on Monday against Kiser MS, and they will be HOME on Wednesday against Southeast MS.

Those are all of your announcements for the week. I look forward to seeing your child's smiling face tomorrow at Southwest, where we will do the right thing.

Dr. Richmond