

Hello Southwest Family,

This is your proud principal, Dr. Richmond, calling with your updates for the week. Here are your announcements for the week of September 29.

At the Ranch

-Tomorrow, students will take their NWEA Reading Assessment. This important assessment will give us broad data to work with to grow our students. Please encourage students to do their absolute best and make sure that students come to school with a fully charged Chromebook.

-Last week, our students were introduced to their House, which is essentially their team. The House system is designed to foster a sense of community and belonging. Houses earn points through various activities, and there will be exciting challenges throughout the year. It's a fun way to build a strong school community.

-On Wednesday, students will take their NWEA Math Assessment.

-Battle of the Books will practice on Tuesday and Thursday, and Campus Life will happen on Wednesday.

Athletics

-On Monday, volleyball and soccer will have a HOME game where we will celebrate our 8th grade players. This is competition against Eastern MS. Volleyball is in the SWMS gym and soccer will be at SWGHS. Start time is 4:45 pm.

-Tuesday, volleyball and soccer will face Northern MS HOME at Southwest.

-Wednesday, soccer will play AWAY at Jamestown. There is no football this week.

Please remember that students must have an adult eighteen or over with them to attend a sporting event, the clear bag policy is in effect, and the price for entry is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students for all MS athletic events.

The following information is for **Boys Volleyball/Girls Soccer**:

Tryouts: Monday October 7-10 from 3:30 pm-6:00 pm. Monday 10/7 is the deadline for having paperwork uploaded to Dragonfly so that we can verify eligibility.

Parent meeting: Monday, evening of October 14(Mandatory for those making the teams)

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

Dr. Richmond