

Good Evening Southwest Family,

This is your proud principal, Dr. Richmond, calling with your weekly updates. Here are your announcements for the week of September 8.

### **At the Ranch**

- We have begun taking student tardies. Please remember that the tardy bell rings at 8:30 am daily. Attendance is crucial to student success. Please make every effort to have our kids at school unless they are sick.
- Breakfast and lunch are free for all SWMS students.
- You should begin to receive newsletters from your child's team of teachers. You will also start receiving the beginning of-year positive calls home; please be on the lookout.
- Looking ahead, picture day will be on September 26. Please look for a flier coming home soon.
- This past week, students participated in town hall meetings with peers, teachers, and administration. My expectations of students will continue to rise. While we will all make mistakes, at SWMS, I take student behavior, conduct, and safety very seriously. Please help me by reminding students that actions do come with consequences. Good actions come with positive consequences, and bad actions come with not-so-good consequences.

### **Athletics**

- Boys soccer and girls volleyball will have a HOME game on Monday starting at 4:45 pm. Soccer will take place at the SWHS football field, and volleyball will take place at the SWMS gym.
- As per the student and family handbook, it is a requirement that students at SWMS must be accompanied by an adult in order to attend any athletic event. This is to ensure the safety and supervision of our students. As a reminder, the clear bag policy is in effect for all GCS athletic competitions. This policy is in place to ensure the safety and security of all attendees. The admission price is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students. On Tuesday afternoon, September 10th @ 6:00 pm there will be a preseason parent meeting for Football/Cheerleading in the gym. Attendance is mandatory before participating in any contest. Those are all of your announcements for this week. I look forward to seeing your child's smiling face tomorrow morning at Southwest, where we will do the right thing.
- Dr. Richmond