

COUNSELOR'S



CORNER

September, 2019



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR COUNSELORS

Eagles,

Congratulations on a fantastic first month back to school! We are excited to continue a positive year and will be seeing more of you now that we are nearly done with scheduling.

Class Balancing- Counselors are given five weeks(Sept 16th) to balance the number of students in each classroom. **Parents & Students-**this means that a student's schedule is subject to change during time. Classes are heavily impacted and personal requests for schedule changes are not possible. We simply cannot create custom schedules for every student.

7th Period Enrichment- 7th period clubs/enrichments are now set and no further changes will be made. Students were only placed in clubs that they selected. Clubs were filled on a first come first served basis via the google form and quickly reached their capacity- several students did not receive any of their top three choices. If this happened to you, you were placed in a 7th period "Silent Reading" (study hall/homework) class, try to fill out the form quickly next semester to improve your chances of getting the club you want!

Back to School Night- Don't forget to stop by the counselors booth in the quad during Back to School Night on **September 17th**. We will be there to answer any questions and to provide information on how we will be supporting your students throughout the school year.

Wellness Wednesday- Every Wednesday is our designated day to check-in with specific students who are in need of additional support. We will still be available to see other students, but our first priority is to meet with these pre-identified students each Wednesday. We're excited to be able to dedicate more time to see and get to know our students!

#SaveTheDate

Sept 3rd- Students officially begin their new 7th period enrichment.

Sept 11th- Start of Wednesday enrichment/clubs.

Sept 16th- Deadline for balancing of all classes.

Sept 17th- Back to School Night



SIERRA MIDDLE SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission at Sierra Middle School is to collaborate with students, parents and staff members to address the academic, social/emotional and college and career preparatory needs of our diverse student body. Students will have access to a comprehensive, data driven school counseling program that will provide the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary for lifelong success.



Robert Kirkaldie, Students A-L



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