

Dear Ram families,

Can you believe we are halfway through the first quarter? Teachers will be contacting you soon if they have concerns about your child's performance. They will be inviting you to parent teacher conferences which will be held the first week in October. In middle school, conferences are held primarily for students who are at risk of failing a class. Typically, teachers do not meet with the parents of students who are earning C's or better. However, if you would like to meet with your child's teachers, regardless of how well he or she is doing, our teachers are happy to meet with you. Just know that at-risk students are the priority during conference week.

Did you know September is Attendance Awareness Month? This year our goal is to make sure no student misses more than 9 days of school, or 1 day per month. Parents, we know there will be days when your child will miss school, especially when they're sick. But we also know that every absence equates to several missed learning opportunities. Let's work together on getting students in the classroom. Please remember only parents or legal guardians can excuse an absence or request an early release. Our Attendance Hotline number is: 858-668-2730.

I would also like to remind you about our protocol for items dropped off in the front office. In an effort to protect the integrity of instruction, we prefer not to send reminder notes to the classroom. We do, however, make an announcement over the public address system during break for things that have been dropped off for students before that time.

California Junior Scholarship Federation, also known as CJSF, is a club at TPMS for students who have high standards of scholarship and want to give back to the community. The informational meeting for 8th grade students will be on Tuesday September 19th in room 713 from 3:15 - 4:00pm. 7th graders, this opportunity will open up to you in the spring. Please email Ms. Parker at eparker@powayusd.com if you have any questions.

This Wednesday is the AVID Induction Ceremony will take place at 6:00 in the Little Theatre and the Quad. Parents, please plan to attend in support of your TPMS AVID student.

Finally, here is the link to this week's ASB Ram Report, which includes information on upcoming student events and activities: <https://www.smores.com/cqvyg>.

I look forward to seeing you all tomorrow and remember, it's a 5/1/3 day.

Sincerely,

Dr. Burke