

Dear Ram families:

This week marks the end of our 1st quarter. I want to remind you that this Friday, October 27th is a non-school day at Twin Peaks and ASES will not be available.

I just have a couple of business items to report on tonight.

First, I wanted parents to know that I addressed our students this week via TPMStv and shared how much we as a staff – teachers, counselors, office personnel, noon duties, administrators, and everyone else on campus care about them. I told them we love them and as their principal I felt compelled to share with them that we are very concerned about their safety. Despite having plenty of adult supervision in the parking lot, some students continue to cross between the buses while texting as parents are driving through the lot at dismissal. Students are running into traffic on Tierra Bonita to get to their parents on the other side of the street as if there is no oncoming traffic. At the crosswalk, some students attempt to run by the crossing guard without having the right of way just to make it through the intersection to meet up with their friends on the other side. This is so dangerous! We counsel the ones we can catch and some of you have even received personal calls from me expressing concern, but I know we are not reaching everyone. Please, please, please talk to your child about being safe tonight. Also, please use caution as you are driving in the vicinity of the school. I think it would go a long way towards helping to keep all of our students safe.

I have one more favor to ask...if at all possible, please avoid checking your student out during their lunch or the last 30 minutes of the day. These times are particularly busy for the attendance office and it is more difficult to locate students in a timely manner. If you would like an early release, please call our Attendance Hotline at (858) 668-2730. Please remember to sign out your student in the attendance office and be prepared to show your identification when checking out your student. Please visit our website regarding attendance at <http://tpms.powayusd.com/General-Information/Attendance/index.html> for more information.

I will close with a reminder that there is a heat advisory in place for tomorrow and Tuesday. Temperatures will be in the triple digits. Please send your kids to school with water bottles to stay hydrated. Speaking of hydration, the PTSA is halfway towards its goals of installing a water bottle refill station on campus. Please consider contributing to this fund. Checks of any size are welcome. Please make them out to Twin Peaks PTSA and include hydration station in the memo line. Checks can be turned in to Kris Parker at the front desk.

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

Sincerely,

Dr. Burke