Good Evening, Southwest Family,

This is your proud principal, Dr. Richmond, with your announcements for the week.

## At the Ranch

- -We had a very good three days of school this past week as we welcomed in 2024. Please remind students that my expectations have risen. We are almost in the second half of the school year. I have gotten to know many of our students, and they are told daily that I care about them and that they should not let me down. High expectations for safety and academics, enjoying being a kid, and leaving foolishness at the door.
- -Monday, select 8<sup>th</sup> graders will participate in the Anyday Program presented by the NCCJ.
- -On Wednesday and Thursday of this week, 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders will take their math interim assessment.
- -Don't forget, we have an amazing group that meets every Wednesday before school. Campus Life is doing great things! The flyer is attached. The flyer is also attached to order a 23-24 SWMS yearbook.
- -Looking ahead, there will be no school next Monday, January 15, in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

## **Athletics**

- -On Monday, we will have a HOME basketball game for girls, boys, and cheer versus Northern Middle School. Wrestling will have an AWAY match at Northern Middle.
- -On Thursday, we will have a HOME wrestling match against Kiser Middle School. Basketball and cheer will have an AWAY game at Kiser Middle School.

Cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students at all middle school athletic events. Please remember that all students gaining entry to an athletic event at Southwest Middle must have a parent/adult to enter. Make sure to stop by our concession stand for a snack at the event.

Those are all 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