

Good Evening Southwest Family,

Michael Josephson said, "Approach the New Year with resolve to find opportunities hidden in each new day." This is Dr. Richmond calling you on New Year's Eve, and pledging to you that this is what we will do in 2024 at Southwest Guildford Middle School. Here are your announcements for the week.

### **At the Ranch**

-We will welcome students back to school on this Wednesday January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

-As we come back to school, it is important that we get our kids back into a routine. Remind them to charge their Chromebooks, remind them that we are almost half way through the year, and remind them that their choices will affect outcomes.

-It is important that students understand their daily job. Cell phones are to be away during the school day, and students will run the risk of them being confiscated if they are not. Bullying will not be tolerated at Southwest Middle whether done in person or on social media.

-Looking ahead, 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will take their math interim assessment January 10 and 11.

### **Athletics**

-We had an amazing time during our winter sports pep rally celebrating our wrestling and basketball teams. There are no games this week. Please check the Remind app for practice schedules.

-Looking ahead our next basketball game will be Monday January 8 at HOME against Northern Middle, and wrestling will be that same day AWAY at Northern Middle.

Whatever your family needs, whether it is finances, peace, or healing, it is my sincere hope and prayer that you receive it in the new year. I look forward to seeing your child's smiling face on Wednesday. At Southwest, we will do the right thing.

Dr. Richmond