Knight Families,
We hope you are all safe and are doing well! This week we dive into our twentieth week of distance learning.

Important information for this week:
New semester, fresh start!

Interested in Minecraft? Join ASB this Friday, January 22, 2021 on the Southridge Tech Student Connection Teams page!

Attention all 6th graders! Don’t forget to check in with your WEB leaders in your WE group channels. They love hearing from you!

Upcoming Parent Advisory Committee Meetings:
- Click here to join the School Site Council meeting on February 11, 2021.
- Click here to join the AAPAC meeting on February 18, 2021.

Word of the Week:
Details

Counseling Tip of the Week:
Set academic goals for semester 2. With semester 2 starting, all students start off with fresh grades. This means you are all straight A students as of today! Goals lead to us to action. Goals should be specific, measurable, attainable, realistic, and time defined. After you come up with your goal, create an action plan. 

Academic Goal Examples:
- “I will complete all of today’s assignment today.”
- “I will complete my assignments at least 2 days before they are due.”

Action Plan Examples:
- Contacting your teacher/s if you are miss class or miss an assignment
- Attending student support time before and after school
- Utilizing your Outlook Calendar by scheduling assignment due dates and other important dates
- Work on homework from 5-6pm daily

Parent Tip of the Week:
Help your student develop a goal and action plan for semester 2.

WEEK: January 19th – January 22nd

How to Connect with Your Counselor:

CLICK ON OUR NAME TO VISIT OUR VIRTUAL OFFICES!

Mrs. DeLay (Last Names A-L)
Ms. Baker (Last Names M-Z)

CONNECT WITH US ON TEAMS 📚

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EXPLORE COUNSELING LESSONS ON THE SOUTHRIDGE TECH STUDENT CONNECTION TEAM:
- Locate the “File” tab
- Discover social emotional learning, college & career readiness, and academic lessons!

IB learner profile:

WE ARE OPEN-MINDED!
We are accustomed to seeking a range of points of view and are willing to grow from the experience.

POSITIVE COPING STRATEGIES

1. Hang out with friends virtually
2. Listen to your favorite song
3. Take a time out to clear your head
4. Think of something funny
5. Go for a walk

Behavior expectations

Be Respectful! Be Responsible! Be Safe!

Stay responsible and take time to get organized for semester 2. Reach out to your counselor if you would like support with goal setting and academic planning!

STMS Administration
Let’s face it; family schedules just aren’t what they used to be. Sometimes it seems like everyone is doing their own thing. Parents work long hours; family members eat at different times. During distance learning and working from home it is important to get away from computers, texting, and television which keep us isolated, even in the hours that we’re together. Sound familiar? Well, fret not. We have come up with 5 family engagement activities to get your family off the couch and spending time with each other. Family fun nights help bond the family together and build happy memories that last!

Overview
Southridge Tech Middle School will be providing monthly DIY Family Engagement Activities. We will be providing kits that include supplies, and instructions to those who sign up to participate. Our Family Engagement Team has created conversation starters that support opening the lines of communication with your student.

Supply kits will need to be picked up at Southridge Tech Middle School. All parents/guardians that choose to participate in an activity will receive follow-up communication with instructions on receiving Family Engagement supply kits. (Supply kits are optional and are not needed for your participation)

Baking Night
January 27, 2021
A pinch of family time together with a dash of flour makes for a tasty treat. After all, all you really need is love...and cupcakes!

Supplies needed: Cake mix, frosting, & decorations
Click here to sign up before January 15, 2021

Gardening Night
April 21, 2021
Play in the dirt as a family. Families and gardens are a natural partnership because gardens are about the outdoors and things are always changing in the garden.

Minute to Win it Competition Night
February 24, 2021
Having family competition is a great way to connect, have fun, and it’s a bonafide method to relieve anxiety. These minute challenges are guaranteed to make you laugh.

Paint Night
March 17, 2021
Painting sessions are fun art, not fine art. And you don’t need to be an artist to have fun! Happiness is homemade!

Movie Night
May 19, 2021
Let’s go to the movies-at home! Movies can be great when you are including activities like trivia, dress-up and family discussions.

Backyard Camping Night
June 2021
Family campout in the backyard or in your living room. Ideas include: tent making competition, scavenger hunt, nature walk around your neighborhood, make your own trail mix, and flashlight hide and seek!

Family Engagement Tip of the Week: Eat dinner together at least one time this week!
Weekly Overviews & Contact information

6th Grade Teachers
ELA/Social Studies:
Ms. Bristel
Ms. Gates
Ms. Larios
Ms. Monteleone
Ms. Ogden
Math/Science:
Ms. Dougan
Mr. Heck
Ms. Lozano
Mr. Maurer
Ms. Schwandt

7th Grade Teachers
ELA:
Ms. Brito
Mr. Fox
Mr. Hubert
Ms. Jimenez
Social Studies:
Mr. Bianchessi
Ms. Freeman
Math:
Ms. Carlyle
Ms. Conti
Ms. Kosmerchock
Ms. Valadez
Science:
Mr. Bahena
Mr. Truong

8th Grade Teachers
ELA:
Mr. Bolda
Ms. Howell
Mr. Liggins
Mr. Whitney
Social Studies:
Mr. Bolda
Ms. Cottle
Mr. Liggins
Mr. Marmo
Math:
Mr. Barnes
Ms. McEwen
Mr. Purvis
Ms. Valadez
Science:
Mr. Barnes
Ms. Keebler
Mr. Perez
Mr. Purvis

Elective Teachers

Mr. Bolda
Ms. Brito
Ms. Brooks
Mr. Dvorak-Torres
Mr. Fisher
Mr. Fox
Ms. Green
Mr. Hubert
Ms. Matea

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Ms. Castro
Ms. Connolly
Mr. Gabonay
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Ms. Baker (Counselor Last Names M-Z)
Ms. O’Neil (Culture & Climate Coach)
Mr. Bertok (MYP Coordinator)

April Pinedo (Health Clerk)
Robert Brock (Library Specialist)
Diane Macias (Guidance Tech)
Elizabeth Sanchez (Discipline Clerk)
Genevieve Perez (Outreach Liaison)
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