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VIP MEETING RECAP

FACILITATOR: MICHELLE ALVAREZ

Announcements & Look Ahead

- We have moved to a 2 principal system
 - KaAnn Varner will oversee the Early Childhood, Lower School, ASL, & Middle School (shared)
 - Rayburn Boland will oversee High School, Vocational/CTE, ADCC, & Middle School (shared)
- We have added a music teacher to our faculty, and the children are really enjoying the classes
- We also have a screen printer so we can learn to make shirts and other designs as well as a laser etcher that can etch brick, glass, wood, and even Yeti cups! (Fundraiser!!)
- Our Dorm Supervisors Larry, Kevin, and Rita presented at this month's meeting
 - They discussed the general timeline for students who stay in the dorm.
 - Activities that are scheduled for the students to participate and enjoy.
 - Day students can participate in the after school activities. Please contact Kevin Kenreich & Rita Jordan, our evening dorm supervisors at least 48 hours in advance of the event.
 - Schedules for weekly activities can be found on the ASD website under Campus Life. It can also be found in the school newsletters sent via e-mail.
- Feedback from parents regarding registration for school this year was that it was a huge improvement from past years. Parents stated the ease of the online registration forms and the less wait time on the final Registration Day. New parents attending the meeting stated that the registration day was easy to follow and felt very welcoming for everyone.
- We went over some of the results of the survey that was completed by parents.
 - Meetings will continue during their regular day/time of the first Thursday of the month at 5:00.
 - We will continue to work with providing Zoom information for parents to join us from wherever they are.
 - Information for Zoom can be found on the School website under Parents/Parent Meetings
 - Based upon the feedback, we will plan Parent meetings to include information about the subjects/topics that were most important to our families.
 - The most popular date for a special Parent -led event was Saturday October 20th.

- With information from a July Parent meeting and the survey results, families in attendance agreed that we will have an event Saturday October 20th on the school campus. This is the same day that the Arkansas Razorbacks are scheduled to play Tulsa here in LR. The theme for the event will be: Tailgate Party – How to Tackle Life Together
 - This family friendly event will focus on Communication
 - Teaching students some simple guidelines with texting, emailing, video phone, and social media.
 - Giving families the support they need to effectively communicate with their student(s) attending ASD.
 - Various duties were assigned to get the event planning under way. If you would like to participate in the planning, please e-mail Michelle Alvarez at michelled@asd.k12.ar.us
- **The next VIP Parent Meeting is scheduled for Thursday September 6, 2018 at 5:00 in the Nutt Athletic Complex. Childcare and Food will be provided.**