June 6, 2016

Parents/Guardians:

I'd like to officially welcome all SOON-TO-BE EAGLES to Albert Einstein Middle School. We have some exciting times ahead that will offer Einstein Eagles the opportunity to EXPLORE, DISCOVER AND CREATE. Please log on to einstein.scusd.edu to see what Einstein offers your student. You can view the promotional video that was shown to 6th graders earlier this year. Check out the avenues Einstein has for your student to demonstrate their excellence. Start with ‘Programs’ & ‘Events’ to see the abundance of opportunities your student has to thrive in middle school.

We have received our elective course selection sheets from the elementary schools and will be completing schedules over the summer. 7th graders that did not select robotics, music, leadership, yearbook or debate will be entered into the “wheel”. They will spend 9 weeks in each of the wheel classes (college readiness, art, computers and either Spanish or media). This will enable them to explore each elective and discover the knowledge that will allow them to make a well-informed decision on which year-long course they will take during 8th grade. If you didn't fill out a request form, you can find ELECTIVE SELECTION SHEET – 7TH GRADE on our website - einstein.scusd.edu under ‘Documents’. You can mail it to 9325 Mirandy Dr, 95826 or email it to Angela-Marshall@scusd.edu.

We will start the new year Wednesday, August 24th with New Student Orientation. Students with the last name beginning with A - M should attend from 9 am - 11am and N - Z should attend from noon - 2 pm. There will be a short presentation at the beginning of each session in the cafeteria. You will be able to get your student’s schedule, buy PE clothes, yearbooks and any other Einstein gear you’d like, and tour our campus.

The first day of school will be Thursday, September 1. First period begins at exactly 8:28. Lunch is at 12:07 and dismissal is at 2:30. Back to School Night will be Tuesday, September 20th.

At Einstein, we offer after school tutoring in our four core subjects. Tutoring is from 2:45 - 3:45 and attempts to remediate any learning that was missed throughout the previous week so that students don’t get too far behind.

We have a number of extra-curricular activities that will enhance your student’s middle school experience that either occur or begin in the early fall. Our Volleyball Clinic is August 17th & 18th and team practices/try-outs start Tuesday, September 6th; more info will be available on the website over the summer. Mathletes compete each month; Robotics will be meeting in the summer (schedule will be posted this June in Programs/Robotics) and then after school; and our first Family Lunch Day is Friday, September 30th.

We are looking forward to another outstanding year here at Einstein. There are a number of ways you can contribute to our success. We have a PTSA and a School Site Council and are always looking for productive parent members.

If you have any questions before orientation, please email me at garrett-kirkland@scusd.edu or call 228-5800. The office is open 7:30 am – 3:30 pm through June 24th. We open again Monday, August 8th.

Sincerely

Garrett Kirkland
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