

Hello Powell Pumas,

Week One is in the books! Thanks to all who joined us for our annual Back to School night this past Thursday. I sincerely appreciate getting to know you and your students and I hope we can foster these relationships as your students experience middle school. We are honored by your commitment to Powell and I truly appreciate your involvement and investment in our children.

It *is* the beginning of the year and I need your help with a couple of things:

1. Phones & Tablets - Please speak with your student(s) about the responsible use of technology. Our students are often enamored with what they *can* do with technology, but sometimes they forget to think about what they *should* and *should not* do with it. Let's safeguard our students from making poor decisions that could have long-lasting ramifications.
2. Student Transportation - Students have been told to not ride their bikes, skateboards, scooters, etc. on campus and I need your help to reinforce that. All of our students are welcome to ride these modes of transportation to and from school, but they should refrain from riding on campus. We have so much pedestrian and vehicular transportation, and that, coupled with students on bikes, skateboards, scooters, etc. present a significant hazard. Thanks for helping me look out for the safety and well being of our children.
3. Dress Code - All students have heard the expectations regarding dress code and we will be enforcing these expectations throughout the school year. If you have questions about the dress code, please talk with your student or visit our school website or school planner. Thanks for your support!

Please know that there will be a subtle change to our routines here at Powell. Due to a scheduling glitch, we will be shifting the order in which our students eat lunch. Sixth grade will go first, Seventh grade will go next, and Eighth grade will go last. Our lunch window begins at 10:45 am on Mondays and Fridays and 11:26 am on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. We apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate your understanding as we work through this adjustment to meet all students' needs.

It's a great day to be a Puma!

In Education,

Steve Wolf, Principal

