

PRINCIPAL'S MINUTE  
August 26, 2009

Good Morning Cougars,

And again, welcome back to Cypress Creek High School and a brand new opportunity! We are happy to welcome returning Cougars as well as new Cougars to our new and improved facility. As you can see, much took place over the summer to produce the beautiful facility that you walked into on Monday morning. As you can tell, there is plenty of construction and renovation still going on and yet to come. We will be looking forward to opening up additional areas of our building as our improvement project winds down over the next year.

By now, on the third day of school, most of you should be getting into an established routine. You should know where your classes are and should be getting there on time, lunches are going to remain crowded but serve time times will improve with the opening up of additional lines on Monday, and we are beginning to balance classes. Remember that it normally takes a couple of weeks before all of the pieces come together. Many of you are waiting for schedule corrections, and the counselors will be balancing classes for the next two weeks so some schedule changes will be necessary.

As we start the year, it is important to begin establishing our school norms. Since our school community is like a small city, our well being is interrelated. This necessitates that we all conduct ourselves by a certain code. Everyone must do their part to make sure that we all benefit from being here. In a sense, we are all accountable to each other. This means we must all follow rules and procedures to help keep our campus a clean, safe, and productive environment. This year we will again be talking about "SMART" behaviors that we all can exhibit to help make these things possible.

In order to accomplish this, we will be conducting Cougar SMART TIME, a new 30-minute activity period which will be conducted once a week on Wednesdays. This time will be attached to the end of third period and will start today. It will be used for PBIS lessons as well as for community time and administrative purposes. Today's SMART TIME lesson by your third period teacher will reacquaint you with all of the smart behaviors necessary to be a successful student here at Cy-Creek High School.

Additionally, over the next several days, members from the Cy-Creek administration will be talking to your third period classes about the Cy-Fair ISD Code of Conduct. The Code of Conduct is an important document that each student receives in our district explaining the expectations and responsibilities of all students. It is very important that you understand these expectations in order to be successful here.

Each Monday, I will be touching base with you to give you the latest great news about school achievements and to give you important updates and other types of information as necessary during the Principal's Minute. I am excited about the prospects for another great year at Cy-Creek. This year's Class of 2010 will be Cy-Creek's 30<sup>th</sup> graduating class. I know that our

seniors will provide great leadership for our campus and all of our students will help to keep Cy-Creek's long-standing reputation alive as we continue a 30-plus year legacy of excellence.

Have a great SMART first week of school!

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