

Good morning Sarasota Middle School Today is Thursday, April 4, 2019



A few words of wisdom to start your day-

Have you ever had a difficult time going to sleep at night because you did something that you knew was wrong? The Japanese have a wonderful proverb:

***Let a man so act by day that he may lie happily
on his mat by night.***

This proverb says it another way:

A good conscience makes a soft pillow.*

Is your conscience bothering you? Do you need a good night's sleep? If so, talk with someone you trust – a parent, teacher, counselor, or perhaps a faith leader. Tell the person what you did, and let him or her help you decide how you can best mend the situation. Then, do your very best to learn from your mistake, forgive yourself, and move on.

Regarding FSA Testing: 8th grade students will be administered the computer-based test today, April 4th. 8th gr ATA teams will be administered the test in the morning. 8th gr PGA teams will be administered the test after lunch. Students it is important that you get a good night's sleep, eat a healthy breakfast and do your best during this test and the results will count towards your Reading FSA and impact which classes you can take next year.

When you are not testing, please note that we will need your assistance by passing from class to class quietly. Yelling or talking loudly can disrupt test takers. We will have testing in both the morning and afternoon. Please avoid the media center specifically, however testing will also be occurring in classrooms.

A couple important reminders to start your day:

Breakfast service begins at 9:00am. Any student arrives after 9:25am will only be able to purchase a grab and go breakfast. If you are interested in getting breakfast, then you must report to breakfast upon your arrival. Do not wait until the 9:15am announcement.

It is school policy is to have all cell phones and personal devices turned off during the school day and concealed from view. You should not text or make phone calls during the day. Students, please ensure your devices are turned off at this time.

Students, please make sure you are following dress code. The SMS dress code is located in your handbook and online. As we move into the school year, students not following dress code will be sent to the office for assistance.

All busses have arrived on time and all students should be in their 1st period class at this time.

***Students, remember our Panther Pact: be Polite, Prepared, Productive and Safe!
Have a thoughtful Thursday!***