

Good morning Sarasota Middle School Today is Monday, August 19, 2019



A few words of wisdom to start your day- Students: During the month of August, we will focus on Respecting others. This quote reminds us that everyone has a valid opinion.

"I must respect the opinions of others even if I disagree with them." Herbert Henry Lehman

Remember that not everyone shares the same view, and that it is ok to look at things differently.

Attention Panthers: Try-outs for the SMS Volleyball and Tennis teams will be held next week! Try-outs for Tennis are before school next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday on the SMS tennis courts from 8am-9am. Try-outs for Volleyball are after school next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in the SMS Gymnasium from 4:30pm-6pm. To be considered for the team, you must attend all three try-out days. Also, any student that wants to try out needs to have a completed athletic packet turned in to Mr. Joiner by Friday, August 23. Students who do not have a completed packet will not be permitted to try out. Packets are available in the front office. Good luck and Go Panthers!

Are you interested in competitive events, going to conferences in Orlando, and performing community service? Join the Future Business Leaders of America (also known as FBLA) by coming to our first meeting this Friday, August 23 at 8:00 am in Room 403. If you have any questions, please see Ms. Moriarty. Join FBLA today or work for us tomorrow!

Staff and Students –

Tomorrow and Wednesday students will be taking i-Ready Reading and Math diagnostic testing. Students will report to their advisory testing location to start the day. Advisory teachers - please confirm your location with students today in advisory if it is not your typical room. Students make sure to bring a pair of headphones for testing. Airbuds will not work. They must be headphones that can be plugged in to the device. If you do not have a pair to bring please let your advisory teacher know today so they can request a pair for you.

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 phones 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.

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Staff bus(es) _____ arrived a bit late today. Students were unloading at 9:10. Please excuse student from bus(es) _____ as they may be a min or two delayed from breakfast service.

Students, remember our Panther Pact: be Polite, Prepared, Productive and Safe!

Have a marvelous Monday!