



OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL

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Dear Parent/Guardian of a Sayreville Middle School Student,

We hope you and your family are safe and healthy, as we enter the second semester of the school year. The Sayreville Middle School Administration would like to thank the entire SMS school community for their support and continued success during our hybrid and virtual learning environment. We are truly lucky to have the most amazing staff and educators. Now more than ever, we need to be partners in the education we provide each day for your child. Below are some items that we would like you to keep in mind as we forge forward to the remainder of the school year.

- **If you do not do so already, it is imperative that you as the parent/guardian make it a regular practice to check your child's grades in Oncourse.**
 - Teachers update Oncourse regularly, therefore any missing assignments will be reflected in their respective electronic gradebook.
 - Though our teachers follow up with our students about missing assignments daily, we implore you to monitor and work closely with your child to insure that all assignments are up to date. We certainly do not want any parent/guardian to be surprised at the end of the marking period, when their child's grade is not what they had expected. With your support, we know this can be accomplished.
- **Our school counselors, student assistance counselor, and child study team members are available should your child need assistance or if you have any questions.**
 - Counseling staff will continue to hold virtual individual counseling sessions and counseling check-ins during afternoon office hours.
 - Our Student assistance counselor is available should your child need support for any social or emotional needs.
 - Child study team members are also available for counseling and program-related questions.
- **Please make sure your child takes advantage of the teacher office hours from 1:45-2:45pm daily.**
 - During office hours, students can receive extra help, ask questions about content or assignments, and receive any additional academic or social and emotional support.

We are here to support our students to ensure a high level of success. Thank you for everything you do at home.

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Richard K. Gluchowski
Principal