

Hangin' in there...September 18, 2020

Happy Homecoming!!

**Camelot students live by a Code of Honor - Courtesy and Respect, Kindness, Responsibility, and Cooperation - Doing the right thing...this year has been an easy transition for our learners as they already possess these honorable characteristics - and, of course, that is a direct reflection of all of you!! We are completely blessed and full of the best!!

*I have attached a photo of our lost and found - if any of your learners have lost any items, this is where we store them. Just stop in the office or have the homeroom teacher check this area for them. We do take these items to charitable organizations when the room fills up, periodically.

**Covid Check - We have had one positive case on our staff. The staff member isolated according to the Department of Health guidelines and has now been able to return following all guidelines. We were fortunate as the symptoms and test did not coincide with any close contact of other staff or learners. Camelot also maintains social distancing, frequent hand-washing and mask requirements. It is rare that any two individuals, other than our pairs and pods, are within six feet for 15 consecutive minutes, the rule of engagement for suspicion of contact. When a positive occurs, we complete a contact tracing workbook and we do communicate to those we are able - we also follow Health Information Protection Act (HIPA) guidelines, which prevents us, without permission, from relaying medical information. Our first priority is safety and we will do our best to communicate all we can to make certain all can take any precautions. We are fortunate to be in a community that has embraced our protocols in an effort to maintain safety and still balance that with in-school learning. As many of you may have noticed, schools around the state who may not be as vigilant as Brookings and as supportive as our community are facing shut downs. Brookings, as always, does it right.

***The term "hangin' in there" has been a frequent close or open to so many conversations these past months, and seems appropriate. Resiliency earned through toughness, durability and flexibility - staying the course - our children seem to somehow have this in spades, I am too lucky to live in this kind of world, they teach me new lessons of robust buoyancy every day. Hard not to be optimistic about tomorrow, and all of our tomorrows with the future showing us how. Have a summer-like weekend!*

Willing and loyal servant to the Camelot and Brookings Community - Kevin

"Do the right thing, because it is the right thing to do."