



Principal Good News

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WORTH JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS AND BOYS VOLLEYBALL NEWS

Congratulations to Worth Junior High School's Girls Volleyball Team for taking 3rd place in the South Suburban Junior High School Conference's 2021 Girls Volleyball Tournament which was held at Wilkins Junior High School. Congratulations to Worth Junior High School's Boys Volleyball team which finished the season undefeated while taking 1st place in both league play and at the South Suburban Junior High School Conference's 2021 Boys Volleyball Tournament which was also held at Wilkins Junior High School. We are so proud of all our athletes for representing Worth Junior High so well!

TRIMESTER HALFWAY POINT

We have reached the halfway point of the first trimester in the 2021-2022 school year. The first trimester ends on Wednesday, November 3. Please be sure to take a moment to check your child's grades on PowerSchool and feel free to reach out to your child's teachers if you have any questions.

ADVISORY UPDATES

During the month of October, Worth Junior High School's Second Step Social-Emotional Learning Program will focus on bullying and harassment. Students will learn about and reflect on the different types of bullying and harassment and how to effectively address bullying and harassment in order to ensure our school community is a safe and comfortable place for all students to learn and grow successfully.

In addition, Worth Junior High School's students recently engaged in digital citizenship activities during advisory. During these activities, sixth graders learned about all the ways we consume, create, and share digital media in our daily lives while reflecting on its omnipresence. Seventh graders learned to think carefully before posting and sharing information by comparing their digital footprints to things such as a permanent marker, a copy machine, or a jumbotron at a stadium. Eighth graders heard about what other teens have to say about how digital media has them feeling "hooked," then thought critically about their own digital media use..

Please take the time to talk to your children about the relevant topics being covered recently in advisory in order to help us ensure they learn the important social-emotional lessons that will help them learn and grow successfully as middle school students. Feel free to contact Mr. Tooth and/or Dr. Zampillo if you have any questions about the Second Step Social-Emotional Learning Program and any other aspect of Worth Junior High School's advisory program.

TIKTOK CHALLENGES

Most of you are most likely aware at this point that students in schools both locally and around the country have participated in TikTok Challenges where they are encouraged to engage in planned inappropriate behaviors in school, record themselves engaging in these behaviors and then post what is recorded on social media. The behaviors that have been encouraged are of a serious nature. Please talk to your child about not participating in the TikTok challenge in any manner in order to help keep our school a positive place and to avoid serious consequences.

As always, our goal is to keep our school as safe as possible and free from disruptions for our students and staff. Thank you in advance for your support in this matter.