Greetings Imagine Andrews Families,

It's a great day at Imagine Andrews! We are already into November and we are thankful for our Imagine Andrews families and community. The partnership and trust you have given us is one that we do not take for granted. We have a busy month of exciting events planned for you!

There is a Coffee with the Principal event scheduled for November 15, 2016. The purpose of this event is to give families a chance to connect with the Principal and give direct feedback on topics and issues. The focus of this conversation will specifically be “COMMUNICATION”. The meeting will begin at 8:45 a.m. in the media center. Please keep in mind that we will stick to the topic of communication as a goal for improvement of one of our “Big Rocks”.

During the month of November, we will also be rolling out a new process for drop off and pick up of scholars. We are strongly encouraging families to drop off and pick up scholars in grades 5-8 at the maintenance building parking lot on San Antonio and Yuma. Siblings of those in grades 5-8 will be permitted to walk with older siblings. We are seeking parent volunteers to assist with this process. Please email me at howard.rice@pgcps.org if you would like to volunteer.

Please follow us on Twitter @ImagineAndrews and on Facebook at Imagine Andrews Public Charter School. We are in the process of updating the FB & Twitter pages to add to the layers of communication at Imagine Andrews. Have a fantastic month. We are thankful for the opportunity to serve you and your children!
Parent Conferences

This year, we are showing flexibility and responsiveness to our community by offering a Thursday evening and Friday morning parent conference day. Parents/guardians will sign-up for a time using Volunteer Spot. Please access the class blogs for further information. Parent conferences are conducted by appointment only. If you need to cancel your appointment, please alert the teacher(s) as soon as possible.

Character/Honor Roll Awards Assembly

The awards ceremony will take place on Friday, November 18, 2016. Students who have received a character award, honor roll for the first quarter, and have perfect attendance will be acknowledged.

Scheduled Times
Grades K-1: 8:45-9:15 a.m.
Grades 2-4: 9:20-10:05 a.m.
Grades 5-8: 1:30-2:15 p.m.

Know Anyone Interested in Attending Our School?

We have scheduled our open houses for the following dates:

Wednesday, November 16, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 18, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

To register, contact Ms. Cathy Hall at cathy.hall@pgcps.org and make certain they are prepared to furnish confidential/private information to gain access to the base.
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Tardiness At an All Time High

We are averaging 50 tardies a day. The instructional day begins promptly at 8:30 a.m. For a school our size, this is egregious.

Students who are tardy miss the beginning of their morning classes, and they also cause a distraction when they arrive late to class. When students are tardy, they negatively impact their teachers and other students. Teachers are often required to allow tardy students to make up work, which often requires them to restructure their lessons or re-teach missed material. Tardiness also takes other students' attention away from a teacher's lesson, leading to more behavior problems and missed instruction.

(Source: http://www.sfps.info/documentcenter/view/8404)

We know that events arise on base that prohibit you from getting to school on time; however, we are typically notified and make adjustments accordingly.

Support Imagine Schools’ Book Fair at Barnes & Noble
JIF: Justice, Integrity, Fun

Each month, teachers nominate each other for exemplifying the shared values of Justice, Integrity, and Fun. For the month of September, Ms. Cook received the most votes. Take a look at what her peers said about her:

September- JIF it Up Acknowledgments

Ms. Cook

Justice, Integrity and Fun

“She treats each student with respect and love. She provides all types of projects to keep each student engaged. She provides awards and incentives for the students when he or she has a correct answer or when they do nice things to others.”

Ms. Cook

Justice

“Ms. Cook provides an environment that meets the needs of her individual students. She currently stays after school with one student tutoring her because she doesn’t have a ride. As a colleague, she was instrumental in making my transition to 4th grade seamless and successful.”

Ms. Cook

Integrity

“Ms. Cook stepped outside her comfort zone on September 30, 2016 and presented what she learned at a workshop centered around the book “Becoming a Reflective Teacher.” By sharing what she learned, she helped to build the capacity of the teachers at the wonderful Imagine Andrews Public Charter School.”