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Care & Advocacy Update - Principals

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Good afternoon!

I am excited to share that our Care & Advocacy team has grown as one of our social workers, Amy McCormick, has returned from leave this month. With the addition of Amy's expertise, we will be able to dedicate more time in each school, which has been a demonstrated need. While we recognize shifting from a team of 5 to 6 still presents challenges in meeting the mental health demands, we are pleased to be able to provide a full allocated day (instead of a few hours) per week at every site to better serve students. Most schools will keeping their same specialist, with the exception of five schools Amy is already working with. I know your current mental health specialist/social worker may have been working with you to make this transition, but I also want to share the new schedule so you all have the same information.

Our hope is to shift to this new schedule next week and fine tune the space needs and accommodations necessary to maintain the new schedule upon returning from Spring Break. So if the extended time does not align with your space availability, please let me know and I am happy to creatively problem solve.

Care & Advocacy Team Spring Schedule*

| SPRING | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Sydney Stringer | Gilham | Cal Young | Willagillespie | Monroe | Sheldon |
| Jaime Hock | Camas Ridge | Spencer Butte | Edison | Roosevelt | South |
| Alexis Neuman | Howard | Awbrey Park | Spring Creek | Kelly & Yujin Gakuen | North |
| Sarah Wetzel | ECCO/GED | Kennedy & Chinese Immersion | Twin Oaks | McCornack | Churchill |
| Carmella Fleming | Chávez | Arts & Technology Academy | River Road/El Camino del Río | Adams | Fox Hollow |
| Amy McCormick | Charlemagne | Madison | Bertha Holt | Edgewood | Buena Vista |

^{*}in schools 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on days as noted in chart.

I also want to use this opportunity to share, again, that this academic year is being used as an interactive needs assessment, which will inform Care, Advocacy, and Prevention Services moving forward. I will be scheduling check ins with each school in May to hear about your experience, feedback, and recommendations as this will be a critical component for our strategic plan and implementation process in the 2023–2024 school year.

I am so thankful to be a part of your amazing school communities. The Irish in me can't help but wish, *May your troubles be less and your blessings be more, and nothing but happiness come through your door.*

Have a wonderful weekend and happy start to Spring Term!

Best, Kerry

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