Good evening Cougars! I hope last week was good for you, but I hope this one will be even better. Besides, it's a Pay Day week, so that makes it even better.

DEAR Fridays- I'm interested in knowing how your DEAR Fridays went this week. I don't expect us to have this perfected to a science yet, but I will remind you that it is an expectation. Please encourage students to bring a book to class if you don't have a class library. They also can get free book access using SOAR. Reach out to Mrs. Travis for more information.

Student Council- We will begin our new Student Council next month. The Social Studies teachers have asked to take the lead on this. There has been a slight change to the timeline, but we are still projected to begin our council next month.

Sept. 12-13- Introduction of Student Council

Sept. 15-16- Nominations taken (3 nominees per team)

Sept. 19-22- Student campaigns (Students will be given the opportunity to create a video to be played during advisory for their teams)

Sept. 23- Voting- Winners announced at the end of the day

Hallway Transitions- Thank you to those of you who attempted to improve your transitions. I have noticed that some have improved and are on the way to having the structure that we desire. Remember, this takes practice. Do not assume that students know how to walk quietly in the hallway. Demonstrate to them and set the expectation.

Teacher Needs Survey- In an effort to prepare for our diagnostic review, as well as create a viable professional development schedule, please complete this <u>survey</u> by the end of the week. I know that you have a lot going on, but this survey should only take you about 3 minutes. Thank you.

Vacancies- We still have not filled any of our current teacher positions. However, we have filled our 7th grade Assistant Principal position. We will welcome Dr. Ericka Collins on Sept. 19 to our 7th grade team and to Conway. I will let Dr. Collins formally introduce herself to you when she arrives.

Schedule Changes- Just to keep you in the know, the ILT has discussed a possible schedule change. We are only in the beginning phase of the possible change, but I do want to be transparent. It is imperative that we find a way to implement student interventions into our schedule and a schedule change is possibly the only way that we can make this

happen. Again, we have only begun these conversations, but your team leads will continue to keep you updated.

Important Dates/ Events

9/13- Open House @ 6pm (Attendance Required)

Weekly Shout Outs

Mr. Burks- For helping us start the day with the daily pledge and announcements. For making the Mindfulness Room a welcoming place for our students and adults. We appreciate the space.

Mr. Miller- For helping me with ALT. I appreciate you making sure that I get things right!

Mrs. Stivers- For helping us with MAP and FEV Tutor connections.

ILT Team- For being open and hearing me! I appreciate you and your willingness to do what is best for our students.

7th Grade Teachers- For being patient as we tried to get you an AP. I appreciate you working with the other admin to make sure that we took care of you.

Ms. Robin & Mr. Craig - For always making sure that the school is nice and clean. For always being so welcoming to the students as they enter the front in the mornings.