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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Last January, the school took some unprecedented steps to monitor the middle school bathrooms after some unfortunate, student misbehavior. At that time, we hired a hallway monitor for the district and put in place very close supervision of students when they left class to use the bathroom. As this school year starts, we will be relaxing the bathroom policy with the hope that our students will demonstrate responsible bathroom usage. I encourage you to speak with your child/children about how they behave in our bathrooms and attend to their personal needs efficiently.

Many of the same rules that we enacted last year will be in effect for September 5th, 2019 when students return to school.

Middle School Bathroom Policy for September 2019:

- Students will be required to leave all cell phones in the classroom with their teacher before leaving to use the bathroom.
- Only one student from each class allowed to leave at any given time for bathroom, nurse, or other destination unless in the case of an emergency.
- Students will leave all writing implements, school supplies, and unnecessary items in class when using the bathroom.
- Middle school students will only use the middle school bathrooms.
- Middle school students are not permitted to use any other bathroom in the building unless they are in physical education class or lunch/recess. Students will be directed to specific bathrooms by faculty and staff at those times and be required to sign out/sign in.
- Students will follow the same procedures to see the nurse, the school counselor, or a member of the child study team.
- Students will sign out or be given permission by an adult before leaving any class, classroom, or activity whether scheduled or unscheduled.
- The district will be implementing a digital sign out/ sign in process for the middle school this fall. Parents and guardians will be able to view a bathroom activity log in the Genesis Parent Portal to monitor student bathroom activity on a daily basis.

The district will continue to monitor middle school student bathroom use closely during the school year.

Please contact me directly at any time should you have a question about this policy.

Very sincerely,  
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