

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Good evening. The 2011-2012 school year has kicked off wonderfully! The students are already in 'school mode' and navigating around the building very well. I just wanted to take a moment to remind you that tomorrow, **Tuesday, September 13, 2011** is **Picture Day** at SMS. Each student received a form in his/her opening day packet. Please have your son/daughter bring that form with him/her tomorrow morning. If you need an additional form, your son/daughter can retrieve one from the Student Activities Office during homeroom.

In addition, next **Wednesday, September 21, 2011, is our Open House - Back to School Night starting at 7:00 pm.** This is a great opportunity for you to meet your child's teachers and learn more about the middle school programs that we offer in the Parkland School District as well as our terrific Springhouse Middle School Partnership (SMSP). Please note that parking is very tight for this evening. If you have an opportunity to car pool, we would greatly appreciate it. There will be parking in the SMS lot as well as overflow all the way down to the Parkland Administration Center. We will have security guards here to guide parking. However, we know it can get hectic so we truly appreciate your patience. Further, if you park in an overflow area, we will have our student leaders stationed at several doorways. This will allow you to enter the building in various locations other than the main entrance.

Although I know many of you are terrific at checking the SMS website, each month I plan to send a brief message along with the monthly calendar and The Middle Years publication. Below are those links:

http://www.parklandsd.org/calendar_sp.php

<http://www.parklandsd.org/sp/wp-content/uploads/September-2011-Middle-Years-Newsletter.pdf>

Thank you for your involvement at SMS and your continuous support of our school programs. Have a great night!

Sincerely,

Michelle Minotti

Principal

Springhouse Middle School