



Dear PCSNW Families,

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Thank you for your patience and understanding when it came to having your child(ren) home so that the Staff could have an in-service to talk about the discipline issues we have faced and how we can move forward for the next semester & the second half of the academic year.

I know that some parents were wondering, is it MY child that is causing problems? To be honest, any student can contribute to the issues and frustrations that the staff needs to deal with but what we found was that not only were there too many issues – we found that we were finding that we were focusing more and more on the negative and stopping poor/bad choices by students instead of focusing on the positive goals that we have as a school.

Providence Christian School NW (PCSNW) has a vision and mission statement that include:

- Creating a passion for Jesus Christ
- Praying about everything
- Academic excellence
- Preparing for a lifetime of faithfulness to Jesus



We spent our in-service in prayer, sharing, dreaming and re-positioning our thoughts and direction to promote ideals from our mission & vision – and applied some Biblical verses that inspire these ideals. On each classroom door is now posted our “School-Wide Goals” that we will refer to and strive toward for the remainder of the year and beyond.

A Bible verse that I quote a lot is from Deuteronomy 6, *“Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.”*

We have put our goals on the doors and the entry to the school – can you review them with your children this weekend and in the weeks and months ahead? It is my prayer that we will all “strive together” to reach these goals – students, staff & parents!

In prayer and hope!

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