



February 23, 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians of 6th Grade Students:

We are so excited about our new 7th grade students coming to Tuffree Middle School. We are already preparing to receive them. Transition from elementary school to middle school is an exciting educational step for your child. As a first step to supporting this transition, all 6th graders (soon to become 7th graders) will be coming to our new student orientation assembly here at Tuffree Middle School on **March 8, 2017 from 9:00-11:30 am** as a field trip. We will be giving students a tour of the campus. We want our new students to actually see their new campus and feel what it's like to be a middle schooler. We will also talk about what a typical day in middle school will look like, describe all the elective opportunities, and share with them what to expect in middle school. We will also give them an opportunity to ask questions. Additionally, we will give students the 2017 Fall Registration Packet and explain how to complete it. Please review this packet with your child, complete all forms, and return it to your child's 6th grade teacher by **Friday, March 31, 2017**. Your child's 6th grade teacher will assist your child and you in completing the registration cards.

Our Parent Information Meeting will be later that same day on **Wednesday, March 8, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Tuffree Middle School Multipurpose Room**. The 7th grade instructional program, electives and registration procedures will be reviewed. Additionally, we welcome you at our **Open House on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 6-7:00 p.m.**

Choice Transfers: A choice transfer is required for students who wish to attend Tuffree but reside outside of Tuffree's attendance area. Throughout our district, once a school Choice transfer is approved, it remains in effect through middle school. Therefore, students who currently attend a Tuffree feeder elementary school on a Choice transfer (i.e. Brookhaven, Golden, Sierra Vista, Topaz, or Wagner) attend Tuffree as their school of choice and no additional Choice transfer application is required. Please see the PYLUSD Student Services [homepage](#), for transfer procedures.

We look forward to seeing you at our Incoming 7th grade Parent Information meeting and Open House. We are excited that your child will be joining us here in the fall. †

Sincerely,

Cindy Freeman
Principal

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Assistant Principal

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School Counselor