



Spring 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are into the last quarter of the 2016-2017 school year and I am in awe with our students, staff, and community. This year, we have celebrated so many wonderful people and events. Our students have grown academically, socially, and emotionally. They have worked so hard to get to where they are today. As you reflect on your child's year so far, think about their confidence and work ethic.

As students work throughout the months of April and May we will connect with students about how all of the Thunder Values work together leading to the pathways of success. Please take some time with your child to reflect and evaluate the progress they have made towards their goal and determining if there is a need to make a change in their roadmap to help them succeed.

**Dream Big, Inspire Everyone, Create a Roadmap, Believe in Yourself, Achieve, and Work Hard.**

Third quarter was busy with many exciting events to showcase. We had a successful girls and boys basketball season and a fantastic wrestling season with over fifty students participating within this sport. Our hallways were filled with the excitement of incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders for the next school year. The music department provided continuous joy with their musical performances, theater productions, and artistic displays. We even had students make it to both the All-District and All-State levels for choir, band, and orchestra. We had robotics competitions and math league competitions in which our students demonstrated outstanding leadership. We also had our second annual Mousetrap Grand Prix, which was again, a huge success. TRMS is filled with activities and opportunities for your child to be involved. Please encourage your child to take advantage of all the opportunities we offer and stay actively involved in school.

This year marks the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary for Thunder Ridge Middle School. In 1992, Thunder Ridge opened its doors to the students within this community. **Please join us on May 5<sup>th</sup> from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. to celebrate a quarter of a century of excellence.** We will have a tree dedication marking the 25<sup>th</sup> year anniversary and also invite everyone into the building for cake and punch and to walk the building to see how much it has changed over the course of twenty-five years. If you know of anyone who went to Thunder Ridge, please help us spread the word and invite them to this celebration.

Thank you in advance for your continued support with your child and with our school. This is an amazing place and community to work. Please feel free to stop in at any time or give me a call.

Gratefully,

Angie Zehner  
Principal  
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