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Hello RCE Families,

We will kick off our ***Energy Bus for Schools Leadership Journey (EBSLJ) with a pep rally on Tuesday, September 4th for the 18-19 school year.*** Be sure and ask your child to tell you something about it.

In 2016, we were thrilled in when Rocky Creek Elementary was chosen to become one of five schools to become an Energy Bus School. Now, there are over 75 EB schools across our country. ***Energy Bus for Schools Leadership Journey*** is a multi-year approach to creating and sustaining a positive school culture through shared leadership. We define leadership as the ability to take personal responsibility for your actions and stop to think about outcomes prior to reacting to challenging situations. Modeling and teaching our students these valuable principles early in life will support their social, emotional, and academic development.

As an Energy Bus School, Rocky Creek Elementary incorporates seven common principles that provide students with the tools to problem solve, collaborate, communicate, and innovate – all the skills needed to be successful in today's world. The 7 principles along with a brief description are as follows:

Principle 1: You're the Driver – reinforces taking personal responsibility for your actions, not blaming or complaining.

Principle 2: Create a positive vision- teaches students to set positive personal and academic goals as they become active participants in the learning process.

Principle 3: Drive with purpose –students discover their unique talents and how they can utilize these gifts to determine their purpose.

Principle 4: Fuel Your Ride with Positive Energy- reveals ways to become a more positive person while learning how your behavior can impact everyone in the learning community.

Principle 5: Transform negativity – turn challenges into opportunities for learning and growth.

Principle 6: LOVE your passengers – seeing the true gift in every person we meet as we find ways to serve our school and our community.

Principle 7: Enjoy the Ride! – reinforces the importance of living a happy and healthy life.

At Rocky Creek, we highlight one principle a month. This will provide time to learn, practice, and apply each principle in school and in their home environments. We will be sharing information with you about ways you can help reinforce the principles at home.

Our goal is to create a learning community where all members feel valued and appreciated. By doing so we are providing the culture needed to achieve our vision of Rangers being self-directed learners, caring citizens and positive world-changers. We look forward to partnering with you, our families of Rocky Creek Elementary!

Sending positive energy your way for a wonderful school year,

Brenda Nichols
Principal