

## **Counselor Corner (October, 2017 – Part 2)**

Granite Oaks Middle School National Bully Prevention October activities are in full swing. During the last two weeks, the following activities are planned to promote awareness and prevention on our campus: morning announcements with students, teachers, staff and administrators; follow-up activities with Bully Prevention Pledge Banner focusing on Support, Kindness, Acceptance and Inclusion (your student may even come home with a little finger painted with green nail polish), mural in the amphitheatre, Bully Prevention Assemblies for both 7th and 8th grades, PE and Elective classes providing specific lessons, and our school-wide Bully Prevention survey. Your student may share information gleaned from the above activities --- terms like bystander, upstander, digital citizenship offer opportunities to discuss the importance of recognizing bullying behavior, responses to bullying behavior, how to protect yourself and your friends when using social media and the critical role of the bystander.

On September 29th, the Kickoff Rally for PBIS (Positive Behavior and Support) Welcome to the Nest was held in the gymnasium. In addition to student competitions, announcements of campus clubs, students were again reminded of the Falcon Creed focusing on being Respectful, Responsible and Resilient. As we continue to instruct and reinforce the Falcon Creed at Granite Oaks Middle School, you may hear your student share the personal recognition he or she may have received in the form of Fabulous Falcon awards.

### **GOMS Fabulous Falcon Award**

#### **YOU ARE BEING RECOGNIZED FOR BEING:**

**RESPECTFUL**

**RESPONSIBLE**

**RESILIENT**

#### **THANKS FOR BEING A FABULOUS FALCON**

Thank you for your support.

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