

Counselor's Corner

May 2019

- **Girls on the Run:** The Spring 2019 season of Girls on the Run is almost complete. The team and their running buddies will participate in the culminating 5K event at Paul Brown Stadium this Saturday, May 11, 2019. The team will be led by the three coaches, Ms. Weber, Mrs. Hansman, and Mrs. Samuel, and they will also be joined by staff running buddies: Mrs. Landrum, Ms. Miranda Smith, and Ms. Elliott. We were very proud of the girls' performance at the practice race a couple weeks ago, and we expect great things this weekend!
- **KPrep Movie Incentive:** On May 2, Ms. Weber, Mrs. Green, and Mrs. Watson accompanied 31 Southgate students (grades 4-8) to the AMC theater at Newport on the Levee to view the movie *Dumbo* to celebrate their excellent KPrep scores from last year. Each student who attended the field trip scored proficient and distinguished on every section of the 2018 KPrep assessment. The students were very deserving of this special reward, and a good time was had by all.
- **KIP Survey Results:** Ms. Weber met with the leadership team to present the KIP survey results and discuss implications for curriculum and instruction moving forward. In response to the student results, the leadership team began working on plans for next year to create a more positive school culture. Initial ideas include a staff/student book study, student reward challenges, and inspiring guest speakers to visit in 2019-2020. As a follow-up to the KIP survey, the leadership team also decided that conducting our own survey of 6th and 8th grade students was warranted to clarify their responses to the original survey. Ms. Weber created a Google document to survey all the students again. She will share these in-depth results with the leadership team at the next administrative meeting.
- **Summer School:** Ms. Weber presented information at the last SBDM meeting to begin discussions of a possible summer school session for middle school students who are failing any of their four core courses for the entire school year. Ms. Weber worked with the leadership team and the school council to discuss funding and the logistics of offering a brief summer school session to these students. More information will be forthcoming.
- **Teacher Appreciation:** On Thursday, May 2nd, the leadership team provided a breakfast for all staff members in honor of teacher appreciation week. The teachers were also given extra planning time while their students were supervised in the auditorium watching a movie. It was a fun day!