Counselor's Corner

April 2022

Ms. Jennifer Weber

- Professional Development and Continued Learning: Ms. Weber is scheduled to attend several professional learning opportunities this summer including the Behavior Institute in Louisville in early June and the CPI crisis intervention refresher course in August. Additionally, Ms. Weber and Mrs. Hansman will assemble a team of Southgate teachers and staff to join them in a 3-day virtual training in early August to certify them as school-level trainers of the Positive Action social-emotional learning curriculum. As a reminder, Ms. Weber and Mrs. Hansman are co-coordinators of the Positive Action SEL grant which provides curriculum and resources to Southgate to bring SEL lessons to every student in grades pre-K through 8. Once the team has completed the virtual training, they will be able to train the rest of the staff to implement the Positive Action curriculum with fidelity and increased efficacy.
- Terrace Metric Spring Assessment: Ms. Weber piloted the Terrace Metrics Risk and Resiliency Survey last fall with students in grades 3-8. It is recommended to repeat the assessment at the end of the school year to (hopefully) note schoolwide gains and individual student progress in the areas of risk and resiliency included on the survey (anxiety, depression, trauma, global satisfaction, positive school experiences, hope, grit, and positive peer experiences). We are anxious to collect this data from our students to help evaluate the impact of the positive action curriculum and other social/emotional interventions like group counseling, individual counseling, parent involvement, response to intervention (RTI), etc.
- **Girls on the Run:** The girls on the run team is still doing great and preparing for their practice 5K. This event will take place at school on Wednesday, April 20 at 3:30, and we welcome any staff or community members who would like to walk/run with our girls, hold encouraging signs, or just cheer us on throughout the route. The practice 5K is organized to help prepare the girls for their actual 5K race on Saturday, May 7, at Paul Brown Stadium.