Skyline High School

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- Hard Work & Resilience
- Communication
- Respect
- Responsibility
- Dependability

Given the intentional efforts made at Skyline to establish our RISE initiatives and the success of the program, we will be working to tie RISE to the Characteristics of a Graduate of Granite. The purpose of this is to continue to promote positive behavior and honor the great students of Skyline in a positive and inspirational way. We believe that we will be able to maintain the positive ground that has been gained by way of RISE and it will become a more formal aspect of each student's report card each reporting period. Our strongest desire is to maintain and grow a positive experience at Skyline where students feel valued and honored all the while they are striving to improve or make gains in all aspects of their lives.

RISE stands for Resilience, Integrity, Support and Excellence. The new program will add in a letter A for attendance. So, the program will be known as ARISE when it is discussed in the context of accountability. The following is a bit of the inclusion we are working toward between the two programs:

- A- Attendance/Dependability: attend class and arrive on time.
- R- Resilience/Hard Work & Resilience: persevere and problem solve positively toward growth.
- I- Integrity/Responsibility be trustworthy, ethical, reliable, and accountable for choices.
- S- Support/Communication: seek help, share ideas, listen, and work cooperatively.
- E- Excellence/Respect: honor yourself and others by expecting all to excel.

Our Skyline community has worked diligently to create a wonderful place wherein students are empowered to grow and accomplish so much. We hope this new program can help give formative data that helps to increase success for each individual student. It promises to help students know areas of strength and areas of growth toward overall improvement.

We want to hear from you about the teachers at Skyline who are working so hard to prepare your students. Please, take a moment and tell us about the great things happening from your perspective in the classrooms of Skyline High School. This is the link for this: <u>https://forms.gle/ucQADTDhwRXkFvD2A</u>

This week the Skyline community honors Tim Henry. Mr. Henry has been a motivating and dedicated teacher/debate coach. He has fueled the passion for debate and supported my son to participate in so many competitive events over the years. He has always accompanied them to all these events and present to support and cheer them at the competitions. Always mindful of their safety and wellbeing. We are very grateful to Mr. Henry for helping our son feel so much confident in his abilities and reach his potential.

Thanks, Mr. Henry, for all you do to help Skyline Eagles RISE.

Sincerely,

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