

## AUTEN ROAD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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## 5th Grade Parent/Guardian Orientation & Incoming Fifth Graders World Language Selection Process

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On behalf of the entire staff at ARIS, I extend warm greetings to you and your soon-to-be *Auten Road Mini-Raider*. As we enter the final quarter of the school year I would like to invite you and your child to join me for a *live stream* grade 5 orientation presentation. The event will take place on **Thursday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m**. The orientation will last approximately one hour and I will dedicate this time to provide essential information relative to the 2022-23 school year at ARIS. If you are not able to join the live stream, no worries, the presentation will be recorded and posted on the ARIS website on April 29.

Live Stream Link (Thursday, April 28 @ 6:30 p.m.)

We also look forward to having your child join us for a visit in late May/early June. Each elementary school has already scheduled a day for a two-hour visit which will include a tour of ARIS by members of our student council, as well as a Q&A with myself. The schedule of visits are as follows:

Woods Road (May 20)
Triangle (May 23)
Amsterdam (May 24)
Woodfern (May 25)
Sunnymead (May 26)
Hillsborough Elementary (June 1)

Students entering ARIS are also required to select a world language to study in grades 5 through 8. When students enter high school they will have the option to continue to study the same world language or select a different one.

For scheduling purposes students will need to identify <u>two</u> languages for consideration. Below are the five choices for our incoming 5th graders:

Chinese, French, German, Italian, and Spanish

While every effort will be made to honor your child's first choice, students will be assigned their second choice in the event a scheduling conflict arises as we balance class sizes in all subject areas. Please also note, once the school year begins, students will not be allowed to change their world language. It is very important for students (and parents/guardians) to understand this is not the time to "try out a language." This is a four-year commitment. **Please choose carefully!** 

Your child's world language selections will need to be submitted via the *parent portal* by **Monday, May 2**. Please access the *step-by-step guide* (attached to this message) to input that information. If choices are not submitted, a language may be assigned for your child based upon availability. For more information on all the language options we offer, please click <u>HERE</u>. If you have additional questions, you can also contact the K-12 World Languages and ESL Supervisor, Mr. Roberto Lugo.

I hope you can join me on April 28. On behalf of the entire staff at ARIS we wish you and your family a great finish to the school year.

Sincerely,

Dr. Christopher Carey

Principal