Principal’s Message – November 2026

As we move into November, it is hard to believe how quickly the first few months of the school year have passed! Our hallways and classrooms continue to be filled with learning, laughter, and opportunities for growth. It has been wonderful to see our students settle into their routines, build positive relationships, and find success both inside and outside the classroom.

Academically, we are beginning to see some tremendous growth among our students. For some, that growth is reflected in improved grades and academic achievement, while for others, success comes through increased confidence, stronger work habits, greater independence, or simply overcoming challenges that once seemed difficult. Every student's journey is unique, and we want to celebrate the progress being made, both big and small. As we approach our next round of reporting and parent-teacher interviews, I encourage families to celebrate their child's accomplishments while also helping them identify goals for continued growth. Remember, success isn't always about where you finish, but how far you've come!

November also marks the conclusion of another exciting volleyball season! Our Junior Nomads and Timberwolves teams represented their schools with pride, determination, and sportsmanship. Both programs enjoyed success throughout the season, competing in numerous games and tournaments while demonstrating tremendous growth in their skills and teamwork. While the wins and tournament successes are certainly worth celebrating, what stands out most is the dedication, perseverance, and positive attitudes our student-athletes demonstrated throughout the season.

A **huge thank you to all our volleyball coaches** who generously gave their time, energy, and expertise to make this season possible. Coaching requires a tremendous commitment, often extending well beyond the regular school day. Your dedication provides our students with opportunities to develop not only as athletes but also as teammates, leaders, and individuals. We are incredibly fortunate to have staff and volunteers who are willing to invest in our students in such meaningful ways. Thank you as well to the families who supported our athletes throughout the season!

As we continue through November, I encourage all our students to keep challenging themselves, embrace opportunities for growth, and celebrate the successes of those around them. There is much to be proud of here at TA Norris, and I look forward to seeing what we can accomplish together in the weeks ahead.

Keep working hard, supporting one another, and making every day count!

Jon Pittman
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