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Greetings! This is Silver Trail Middle School with your weekly announcements.

First Announcement: It's Peace Week! Peer Counselors are leading us in cultivating a culture of peace through this week's activities. Today we showed we are powered by peace as we wore our superhero shirts. Tomorrow we will double the peace by wearing a matching shirt with a friend or group. All attire must meet the requirements of Broward Schools with proper uniform pants or shorts. Activities for the remainder of the week are attached on the Peace Week flyer and on our website.

Second Announcement: Our Papa John's Fundraiser is in full swing. Your child should have received their envelope by now. Coupon cards sell for \$15 and can get you up to 50% off your entire order up to 18 times. All envelopes are to be submitted to the PTSA mailbox in main hallway by September 27th. If you have any questions, please reach out to our PTSA at [stmspts@gmail.com](mailto:stmspts@gmail.com).

Third Announcement: STMS Band presents The Neon Nights Dance on October 4, 2024 from 6-9PM. The cost is \$20. Food with admission will be a slice of pizza or chicken nuggets, chips and a drink. Other concessions and accessories will be on sale during the dance. You may view the flyer in the email portion of this message or on our website for additional details and to purchase tickets using the QR Code.

Fourth Announcement: Silver Trail Middle School (STMS) has planned an exciting 4 day/3 night eighth-grade trip to Washington D.C., Williamsburg & Jamestown, VA. The dates of this trip are February 10-13, 2025. This is a fantastic opportunity that many schools and students have enjoyed in the past. This unique "hands-on" learning experience will benefit your child in many ways and for many years to come. Flamingo Education Tours has been chosen to plan our trip.

Eighth-grade students have received a copy of the letter to parents, an acknowledgment form, and independent trip insurance information to take home. Please read this information carefully. The deadlines will be strictly enforced because the trip dates are approaching quickly.

Fifth Announcement: Cheer Tryouts are set for Tuesday, September 24th, immediately after school. Team announcements will be made on Wednesday, September 25th. The first practice for those who make the team will be on Thursday, September 26th after school until 5:00PM. Tryout requirements include the submission of three teacher recommendations sheets. Attire will be a white shirt and black shorts. A number will be assigned for identification. Participants must perform the Dance taught at Clinics, Toe-Touch and Hurdle Jumps and Teal, Black, White Cheer. Post-Tryout Requirements include the purchase of Cheer shoes and black Nike Pro-type athletic shorts. A \$60 fee for team expenses, including bows and music is due on Monday, October 7, 2024. Grades must be maintained above a C to perform in games and Grade Sheets must be turned in to the Coaches once games begin. Regular practices before the season's games begin will be 3 times per week. Missing practice before a game disqualifies participation in halftime performances. Currently, Cheering is planned for Home Games only, with potential for Away Games if arrangements are made. Practice schedules may change once the game schedule is finalized.

Sixth Announcement: Please be advised we will be conducting hall sweeps. These surprise sweeps are conducted to address students who are tardy, out of dress code or loitering in the halls instead of attending or arriving to class on time. Any student who is caught in the hall sweep will receive an administrative detention which will be held the following week after school. If they are a bus rider and receive a detention, a parent will need to pick them up on that day.

Seventh Announcement: Best buddies will be having a meeting Tuesday the 24th from 3:45-4:45pm in room 208. Shirts will be distributed. They will also be collecting a bag of donated candy for our event being held on October 23rd. Please drop candy off in room 208. Mrs. Catala is also looking for parent volunteers for the event. Please send me an email if you are interested to [Michelle.catala@browardschools.com](mailto:Michelle.catala@browardschools.com).

Eighth Announcement: October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month! Starting in the month of October, we will have "PINK OUT" on WEDNESDAYS! Show your STMS spirit and FIGHT LIKE A MUSTANG, in bringing awareness and support to all those affected by this disease! The t-shirts are available now on the e-Store! <https://www.browardschools.com/silvertrail/estore> .

Ninth Announcement: Make up picture day has been changed to Monday, October 28th. Students who were absent on the original picture days will be taking pictures on this date as well as any students who may need to retake pictures purchased. You may prepay online by visiting [www.foxmar.com/prepay](http://www.foxmar.com/prepay). This is a fundraiser for our school and a great opportunity to purchase portraits of your child that you will cherish for years to come. You may click here to view the flyer on our website. Students must be dressed in the STMS Unified Dress Code, as these pictures will be used for their student IDs. IDs are a requirement for both students and school staff members across the district.

Tenth Announcement: In celebration of National School Lunch Week which will be from October 14-18, 2024, the Food and Nutrition Services Department is sponsoring a poster contest for all students enrolled in Broward Schools. The theme this year is "School Lunch Pirates...Find Your Treasure". Students must do all the poster and artwork. NO cut-outs should be posted on or attached materials may be used. Felt-tip markers, crayons, watercolors, or acrylic paints may be used. Only one entry per student; no group entries. Minimum poster size: 10"x12". Maximum poster size: 16"x22". Poster are due to Mrs. Smith in the Media Center by October 4, 2024.

Things to look forward to as the week proceeds includes an Away Soccer Game tomorrow at Walter C. Young Middle starting at 4PM and Color Guard Rehearsal at 4PM on Wednesday.

Thank you and have a wonderful Evening!