

Sparkler Counselor Monthly Newsletter for August 2024

Welcome to the 24-25 School Year!



Hello Sparkler families! My name is Roxanne Hrar, and I am your child's School Counselor. I am thrilled to be returning to SME this school year and continuing to support our Sparkler students, staff, parents, and community. This is my 14th year working in education and my 5th year as a school counselor. I look forward to getting to know all our students and families this year. If you would like me to meet to speak with your student, please complete a referral form [here](#). You may also contact me at roxanne.hrar@fortbendisd.gov or 281-634-4444

[SME School Counseling Website](#)

Guidance & Character Trait of the Month: Responsibility

Each month, students will learn about a new character trait using our new guidance curriculum, Quaver Ready. Students will gain an understanding of what the trait looks, sounds, and feels like. For example, students will learn about them during my guidance lessons, and have opportunities to demonstrate them in their own interactions here at school and at home. Additionally, teachers will nominate one student from their class who has shown this trait to be the Student of The Month. Please see the following pages to learn more about Quaver Ready, the character trait for August and how you can build school to home connections!



Announcements

Gifted & Talented Testing Referrals for the 24-25 school year are open through Sept. 30th. Please visit the [FBISD GT website](#) to learn more about the GT program and evaluation process.

To refer your student to be tested for Gifted & Talented, please click [here](#).

Upcoming Dates & Events

- Sept. 2nd – Labor Day Holiday
- Sept. 5th – Open House
- Sept. 30th – GT Testing referral deadline

Dear **Sugar Mill Parents,**

We are excited to share with you our newest addition to the classroom –



QuaverReady is an online platform designed to help all students succeed in school. The activities and lessons in QuaverReady support and build on creating a caring, school-wide community for your child.

QuaverReady focuses on relationship skills, responsible decision making, self-awareness, social awareness, and self-management. Lessons will also include some of the following topics:



- **Working through Challenges**
- **Being Part of a Team**
- **Being a Leader**
- **Setting Goals**
- **Managing Emotions**
- **Being Safe**
- **Being Respectful**
- **Effective Communication**
- **Listening Skills**

Your relationship with your child is critical in developing these life-long skills. We are pleased QuaverReady welcomes parent participation and offers at-home activities. For more information on QuaverReady please visit QuaverEd.com/Parents.

Sincerely,

Roxanne Hrar, SME School Counselor





Community Resources

Responsibility

*Responsibility means "being accountable for your own actions."
It involves making good decisions and following through on your jobs.*

🎵 Music Box

Song of the Month	Monthly Mindset	Video Preview
<p>"Responsible Citizen"</p> 	<p><i>"Respecting all the laws and acting in unity."</i></p> 	

💬 Conversation Corner

Discuss opportunities for students to exhibit this month's theme.

At Home	At School	In the Community
<ul style="list-style-type: none">→ Clean up after yourself.→ Help with appropriate chores.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">→ Complete work on time and with your best effort.→ Follow class and school rules.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">→ Throw garbage in the trash instead of littering.→ Offer to help others.



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