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Dear Parents/Guardians,

This year at HOLICONG MIDDLE SCHOOL the counselors will conduct discussion groups with students. These groups usually consist of six to eight students under the supervision of one of the counselors. Some discussion groups are facilitated in conjunction with the school psychologist, social worker, or a certified counselor from a community agency.

Discussion groups are confidential in nature and intended to help adolescents cope with everyday situations. Participation in the group is on a voluntary basis. These groups are not therapeutic. Examples of topics discussed are study skills, divorce, bereavement, classroom behavior, adjusting to a family move, peer pressures, substance abuse, stress management, family dynamics, better communication with parents, etc.

Groups are open to all students. If, however, you do not want your child to participate in such discussion groups, please contact us in the guidance office at 267-893-2710.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Deborah Kleeman, Barbara Louderback, Gregory Striano
The Guidance Department

PLEASE NOTE:

Mrs. Kleeman is the counselor for students in 8th grade and last names A-D in 7th grade.

Mrs. Louderback is the counselor for students in 9th grade and last names K-Z in 7th grade.

Mr. Striano is the counselor for students in 8th grade with last names E-J.