

Dear Future Cougars and Parents,

We look forward to working with all of you on your journey through junior high school. The transition from elementary school to junior high school can be very challenging for students and parents alike. We have designed our incoming 6th Grade Visitation Day, which will be held on Monday, April 9th, to help everyone feel a bit more comfortable with this big step.

The staff at Chico Junior is dedicated to doing whatever it takes to help our students achieve at their highest levels. We take enormous pride in our ability to provide multiple venues for students so that they may find success. All students have the ability to be successful here; they just have to be willing to put in the work. The number one goal at Chico Junior is for every child to achieve at his or her highest level, academically. This goal is measured both by performance in the classroom and on state testing.

To ensure students are successful, our staff works as a team with the students and their parents. Everyone must stay in continual communication to assure that students are receiving the support that he or she needs to achieve their goals. This is the reason that our administrators and counselors have open-door policies. It is recommended that you call ahead to be sure we are available, but our doors are always open to provide support.

In addition to the abundance of academic help, students will also find a supportive, interactive staff at Chico Junior. Our teachers are very involved in school events and regularly participate in activities at our rallies – such as sumo wrestling in our sumo suits and various competitions with students. Teachers have also been known to compete in lunch events with students – such as our goofball games and soccer.

There are also many extra-curricular activities awaiting students at Chico Junior High. We have numerous clubs, club sports, and lunchtime activities available to students.

We are proud to be the only junior high school in the area with a full-time music program and a full-fledged industrial technology/wood shop program. Our STEM program is also very popular with our students.

To our incoming 6th graders, we hope you will enjoy your day here on the 9th of April. We look forward to seeing all of you next school year. Parents, be sure to attend our 6th Grade Parent Orientation Night which will be held on April 5th at 6:30pm in our gym.

Please feel free to contact us anytime at [pcaldera@chicousd.org](mailto:pcaldera@chicousd.org) or [jcapen@chicousd.org](mailto:jcapen@chicousd.org).

Thank you,

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