Welcome Back & Introductions

We are SO excited to return to in-person learning this school year with everyone! We are your FFSD TOP Team, and it has been so great to see everyone’s faces in real life!

At the beginning of this year, we introduced TOP, set group guidelines, and got to know each other better through a fun team building day. We discussed community issues and civic action, explored emotion management, and talked about the importance of clear communication.

We are so excited to continue learning and having fun this school year!

FFSD TOP Team (left to right)
Denim (Arielle Washington, TOP Specialist)
Fish (Allie Bradbury, Practicum Student)
Sprinkles (Sarah Nace, Director of School Based Services)
Stitch (Kris Drollinger, TOP Specialist)

Question of the Day
How would you describe TOP?

- “Helpful, learning space, listening.” -Hayden
- “Fun, lots of activities, make friends and some have the same interests, but in TOP you figure it out” -Inahga
- “Fun and entertaining, a good space for learning” -Tyshawn
- “Fun, entertaining, lots of activities after main classes.” -London
- “Fun place to go when you are feeling strong emotions and focus on work when you are distracted in class.” -Marcus
- “Fun, mostly fun to learn.” -Daisha
- “Fun, you should try it. Teachers are nice, it’s a program where you get to talk to them when you’re feeling bad and check in.” -Kourtney
Community Service Learning

Advocating for Animals Projects

Students created many awesome CSL projects this quarter! In September, students advocated for animals by creating dog toys to be donated to the St. Louis County Animal Control Pet Adoption Center. Some students also created PowerPoint posters to encourage people to adopt animals and to speak up about myths and facts regarding harder to adopt animals.

Adopt a Yorkie. <33

I want you to know:
- All Yorkies are not as small as they seem
- It's the smallest dog you can get

Now that you know, I want you to:
- They are cute <33

Bead Fidgets & Positivity Cards

In October, students created bead fidgets and positivity cards to give to the school counselor and social worker. These fidgets and positivity cards can be given to other students when they visit the counselor or social worker!