

# PRIDe

## Parents Raising Independent Decision-Makers

I would like to invite you to join a group at Erie Middle School called PRIDe. PRIDe is Parents Raising Independent Decision-Makers. PRIDe needs two groups of people. The first group is PRIDe mentors. This group is a mentor group of parents who have had 1 or 2 years at Erie Middle. The second group is PRIDe parents who are new to Erie Middle School. Your student can be in any grade to join PRIDe, or you can join if you just want to be a part of this group.

PRIDe mentors:

- Mentors will have a small group of parents that they will meet with. (They could meet for coffee, just to talk, or whatever)
- Mentors should call/email and check in with their parents
- Mentors can be talked to, asked questions about Erie Middle, and raising a middle school child. You do not need to have all the answers but someone to bounce ideas off of that might have gone through the same situation.
- Mentors will meet once a month with the PRIDe committee to discuss needs/questions/concerns that they might have.

PRIDe parents:

- PRIDe parents will part of a small group of parents going through the same things.
- Mentors would be someone you could ask questions about Erie Middle and raising a middle school child. Some questions might be: How do I let my child become independent while still knowing what is going on? What are some rules to set with technology? How is it to best communicate with teachers? Administration? What are the fees? How much homework will the kids have? What is MESA? How do parents become involved? How do I help my child to connect with school?
- You would meet every other month with your small group.
- Mentors will call monthly to check in.

There are three ways to let me know you would like to be a part of this amazing organization.

1. Return this form along with your student's registration.
2. You may also print a copy through my website [www.schoolrack.com/over](http://www.schoolrack.com/over) and return it to Erie Middle School Counseling Office.

3. The third and final way is to email me at [over\\_tanya@stvrain.k12.co.us](mailto:over_tanya@stvrain.k12.co.us).
4. You should receive an email from me before the end of the school year to let you know who your mentor is and when the first meeting will take place.  
My goal is to have all of us meet in May for a social and then formally meet again in August.

Thank you,  
Tanya Over  
6<sup>th</sup> grade Math/ PRIDE committee  
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\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I would like to be a PRIDE parent and it is okay to publish name, phone, and email to other PRIDE members.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes I would like to be a PRIDE mentor and it is okay to publish name, phone, and email to other PRIDE members.

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Grade in 2011-2012: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_