Good evening, Kiser families. This is principal Merrie Conaway. Please check out this week's Tiger Times available here: <u>https://secure.smore.com/n/5v4ch</u>. This past week, there was an altercation involving a few of our students and witnessed by many of our 7th graders. The students involved are safe and appropriate school and legal consequences have been assigned. Mr. Hinton, Officer Watlington, and I spoke to all 7th graders today to discuss safety at school and to address student actions that made the situation far more challenging. While most of our students did the right thing, several students chose to make it more difficult for staff to intervene, and some used their phones to record the altercation. These behaviors are also unacceptable, and those involved in such incidents will also receive appropriate consequences. In talking with families, I know that we all share the expectation of treating each other with kindness and respect. Please talk with your students to emphasize the importance of letting adults know when there is a threat to anyone's safety and to not invade the privacy of others by recording on cell phones. Next week Guilford County Schools will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday on Wednesday, November 27th through Friday, November 29th. We will return to school on Monday, December 2nd. Thank you for your support of Kiser Middle, and have a good weekend.