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Love that slideshow, Kendall! Looks so nice!

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Good afternoon, I am so excited for community circles to begin next Monday (8/23) in THRIVE! Here is a link to the Community Circle Guide for semester 1 and a pdf version is attached as well. This guide will also be uploaded under Resources --> Community Building on the THRIVE Schoology place for easy access.

I wanted to reiterate & clarify a few things...

- 1. Shallow end vs deep end: A shallow end question is one that everyone will answer and participate in. A deep end question may require a little more vulnerability or thought, and this question is optional. Depending on time, I would still go around in a circle with this question, but everyone has a valid 'pass' to opt out.
- 2. Class choice slides: The last community circle of each quarter will be "class choice." These dates are 10/4 and 12/13. This is to increase buy in, creativity, and autonomy for students in community circle time. Ultimately, the way you execute this is entirely up to you—find what works best for your class. My suggestion would be to ask for students to write down or send questions through Schoology a few days to a week in advance (either in homeroom or Monday THRIVE). If you need help sorting through questions or deciding which would be good, don't hesitate to reach out to me. I would also recommend requiring students to submit their

name with their questions, though the rest of the class does not need to know who the question came from. Anonymity often opens a can of worms.

3. I will be floating around different classrooms for community circles, but if you would like more help with facilitating, please reach out and I will make your classroom a priority to visit ����

Thanks!

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