

Warwick Valley Middle School
P.O. Box 595
Warwick, N.Y. 10990

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

“Banana Splits” groups are in the process of forming at Warwick Valley Middle School. These support groups are designed to help children handle problems associated with the emotions that parental separation and divorce can evoke. “Banana Splits” helps to establish peer support of children who share feelings of loss and change. Together students confront and learn to deal with the ongoing issues relating to recent or past family changes.

Students will be grouped by their grade levels and will meet during advisory for approximately 10 sessions. Please make sure your child understands that due to the nature and duration of the group, it is important that he/she attend each session. If your child has anything scheduled during advisory, such as AIS, orchestra, band or chorus, we will do our best to develop a workable schedule.

If you would like your son or daughter to participate in “Banana Splits”, please fill out the Parent Permission Form below. Your child should return it to the guidance office **as soon as possible, as group space may be limited**. If you have any questions regarding the program, please feel free to contact us at 845-987-3100, extension 5. We look forward to working with your child.

Sincerely,

Nicole Michaels/Lauren Ogden
6th Grade Counselor
5th Gr. Red

William Menkens
7th Grade Counselor
5th Gr. Purple & Yellow

Meg Wright
8th Grade Counselor
5th Gr. Blue & Green

PARENT PERMISSION FORM

I give my child _____ permission to participate in Banana Splits.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Relationship to child

Student Signature

Grade

Team

Please return signed form to the Middle School Guidance Office.