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TWHS Weekly News & Updates October 23, 2020

Weekly Calendar

Monday, October 26	Group A Regular Bell Schedule
Tuesday, October 27	Group B Regular Bell Schedule
Wednesday, October 28	Group A Regular Bell Schedule
Thursday, October 29	Group B Regular Bell Schedule; PSAT/NMSQT test day for registered 11 th grade students
Friday, October 30	Group B Homeroom Bell Schedule (8 min.) ; End of 1 st grading period

Dear Cardinal Family,

Is this message going to be about COVID or the election? Are there any other possibilities?

It seems like there are only two topics on blast right now, and they're both starting to sound like background noise to me.

It's not that our elections or COVID don't matter. On the contrary, they are both critical and important subjects. They are also inherently emotional and can feel draining. To spare us all, here's a tangential topic.

My job over the last several months has been very functional and managerial. It is heavily focused on procedures, protocols, projects, and safety. Those things are arguably critical to our success and the most important things we can address, but I miss focusing on the people learning and teaching here! Because my focus has shifted, I relish the parts of my job that used to feel so routine. Watching the alkali metals demonstration in Honors Chemistry was a blast and brought back great memories from my days teaching Chem. Hearing our kids make music and seeing our Band Directors help them make adjustments was another uplifting highlight. I was awestruck watching a first-year teacher fluidly move between English and Spanish while teaching a writing lesson to English-learning students. And thanks to all our dutiful distancing, I found I've never enjoyed bus duty as much as I do now. All my new COVID-related responsibilities have caused me to view my old, mundane tasks in a much different light.

I'm hopeful that our new (temporary) normal, while not ideal, has also caused you to reflect and appreciate some of the typical things you'd maybe taken for granted.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have questions or concerns.

Have a great weekend!

Go Cards!

Pete Scully
Principal
TWHS

NEW announcements for this week

- Pre-ACT-Practice ACT Test for Registered Students on November 18 & 19, 7:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- Attention Sophomores: Interested in Learning More About DACC?
- FREE Meal Service Available for All TWHS Students During Hybrid Schedule
- Fee Waivers for School Fees and Athletics/Activities Participation Fees
- Cardinal Theatre Production, *The Seussification of Romeo & Juliet*, October 23-24

ACADEMIC UPDATES



Pre-ACT-Practice ACT Test for Registered Students on November 18 & 19, 7:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Pre-ACT empowers students with a unique ACT test practice experience. Scores provide valuable insights into students' predicted performance on the ACT and help inform important high school course decisions. Pre-ACT reporting includes both academic and career indicators, which are designed to identify strengths and areas of improvement, providing a complete view of students' college and career readiness.

The Pre-ACT will be held on **Wednesday, November 18th and Thursday, November 19th from 7:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** in the Auxiliary gym at TWHS. Students can register for the Pre-ACT at the following [link](#) and the cost for the test is \$14.00. Payment can be made at the School Counseling office. Please bring exact cash or a check made payable to TWHS

Space is limited to a first come, first served basis, so please register soon if you are interested! **The deadline to register is Friday, November 13th.**

Attention Sophomores: Interested in Learning More About DACC?

The [Delaware Area Career Center](#) (DACC) has amazing, hands-on programs for our juniors and seniors. Students are encouraged to apply during their sophomore year for these two year programs. Admissions criteria includes a virtual tour and online application. Use this [link](#) to learn more about their programs and admissions process. Click [here](#) for the series of virtual admissions overview sessions available for families to attend! Important dates to remember:



- **November 20:** The DACC application goes live on their website
- **November 23 & 24:** Mrs. Preisse will present an overview of the various DACC program offerings to sophomore ELA classes
- **January 15:** Priority DACC application deadline

Questions? Contact Celeste Preisse at cpreisse@wscloud.org in the School Counseling Office for details!



Veterans Day Celebration

Although we are unable to invite in our Veterans to celebrate with us as we usually do on Veterans Day, we will still be celebrating and honoring Veterans Day. Students in Mrs. York's AP Literature classes have been interviewing local Veterans and we will be watching these in our Social Studies classes the week of November 9th. We also have a student committee that will be writing notes of gratitude to our local Veterans and current military personnel. Additionally, we will be decorating our school hallways to honor all Veterans and current military service personnel that are connected to our TWHS family.

We would like to invite you to share with us information about a Veteran or current military service personnel that is in your family and/or is connected to TWHS in any way. [Please complete this short form](#) to share with us the person you would like to honor. You may also submit a photo by having a student drop it off to Mrs. Volpe in Central Office or an adult may drop off in our front office. Please submit a copy and not original as we will be hanging this up in our hallway and it will not be returned. If you choose to submit a photo, please do so by November 6. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Todd Keenan at tkeen@wscloud.org.

Senior Information Night – Your Guide to Applying to College

Attention Seniors and Parents/Guardians of Seniors: Please view the [Senior Information Night Presentation video](#) to learn about the college application process. In this video, you will learn the steps required to request transcripts, submit electronic documents through Naviance, request letters of recommendations, apply for financial aid, scholarships and grants, and more.

**TWHS Senior
Information Night!**



Seniors and Parents/Guardians: Sign Up for Naviance Now!

Naviance is a college planning tool for students to request transcripts to be sent to colleges, conduct college searches, and request letters of recommendations. Please make sure you have your email linked to Naviance as the School Counselors will send you emails about college rep visits, scholarships, deadlines, and more! Click [Naviance 101 Video](#) presentation or [this document](#) for step-by-step directions and more information about using Naviance.

Gifted Advocate Newsletter

Click on the [Gifted Advocate](#) newsletter to access the winter edition for the 2019-20 school year. Click [Newsletters](#) to locate the newsletter on the district website under the “Academics” tab.

GIFTED ADVOCATE

SENIOR ANNOUNCEMENTS



YEARBOOK

Important 2020-21 Yearbook Deadline Dates for the Class of '21

Click [Senior Picture Submission Directions](#) to submit your senior picture for the yearbook by January 4, 2021.

Late photos will not be accepted.

Click on the [Recognition Ad](#) tab to create an account to purchase your Senior Ad Page by April 14, 2021.

Class of '21: Important Dates for Cap & Gown Ordering

Click [Class of '21](#) for information to order your cap/gown/tassel and additional products for graduation. **The final order deadline is January 31, 2020 to ensure delivery of your student's cap & gown in the spring.**



Two ways to place your order:

- View products and place your order online at [buckeyescholastic.com](#) on your computer or mobile device
- Print and mail [this completed form](#) to Buckeye Scholastic, 118 Graceland Blvd., Box 214, Columbus, OH 43214

PARENT TEACHER STUDENT ORGANIZATION (PTSO)

TWHS PTSO Memberships Available

Our PTSO needs your support! The TWHS PTSO represents the parents, teachers and students of TWHS. We aspire to support our school's mission by supporting the education of students by fostering relationships among the school, parents, students and teachers. Please consider joining/donating to help make the 2020-21 school year a great experience for our students by clicking [PTSO Membership Form](#).

PTSO Meeting Dates Set for 2020-21

The PTSO meetings will be held via Zoom on **November 17**, January 19 and March 16 beginning at 7:30 p.m. Click the [PTSO tab](#) for photos, announcements and other information.



Sign Up for Kroger Community Rewards® and Help Support PTSO!

Shop at your favorite Kroger store and support the TWHS PTSO at the same time! Thank you for your support! Click [Sign Up for Kroger Community Rewards®](#).

SCHOOL COMMUNITY CONNECTION

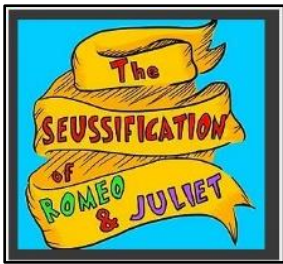
FREE Meal Service Available for ALL TWHS Students During Hybrid Schedule

In addition to serving daily breakfast and lunch at school, breakfast and lunch will be made available for students to take home at the end of each school day. Students may stop by Room 119 on their way out of the building during dismissal to pick up meals for the next day when they are not in school. This is free for all students. If you have questions, please contact the Worthington Schools Food Service Department [HERE](#).



Fee Waivers for School Fees and Athletics/Activities Participation Fees

Eligible families are required to submit the Federal Meals application and Worthington Schools fee waiver form to receive free or reduced school fees posted on their [MyPaymentsPlus](#) accounts. These fees include the \$65 classroom fee, athletics/activities participation fees, testing fees, and \$35 Senior fee. Click [here](#) to apply for student fee waivers.



Available for online streaming only:

Cardinal Theatre Production, *The Seussification of Romeo & Juliet*, October 23-24

[The Seussification of Romeo & Juliet](#)

A play by Peter Bloedel

Click [2020-21 Cardinal Theatre Box Office](#) for ticket information *for online streaming only* and [2020-21 TWHS Theatre Repertory](#) to learn more about the 2020-21 season.

Before and After School Guidelines for TWHS Students

Your support in following these guidelines is greatly appreciated. The safety of our students is our number one priority.

Reminder: The gate located next to the tennis courts on Evening Street is closed during school hours.

[Student Drop Off and Pick Up](#)

[Walkers and Bike Riders](#)

[Bus Riders](#)

School Calendar Updated on TWHS Website

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October 29: [PSAT/NMSQT test day](#) for registered 11th grade students

October 30: [Homeroom Bell Schedule \(8 minutes\)](#)

October 30: End of 1st grading period

November 3: **No Classes** - Teacher Workday

November 4: 1st Nine Weeks Grades Updated in Infinite Campus at 12:00 p.m.

November 6: [Homeroom Bell Schedule \(16 minutes\)](#)

November 11: [Homeroom Bell Schedule \(16 minutes\)](#)

November 13: [Homeroom Bell Schedule \(16 minutes\)](#)

November 13: Deadline to [register](#) for Pre-ACT-Practice ACT Test

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November 25-27: Thanksgiving Break

Conduct Daily Health Check Before School

Parents/Guardians: Please complete a daily health check of your child *before* they leave for school.

Keep your child home if any of the following symptoms are present:

- Temperature 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher when taken by mouth
- New or worsened cough
- Loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Nasal congestion or runny nose
- Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea

Keep your child home if two or more of the following symptoms are present:

- Headache
- Body aches
- Fatigue

****Please know that if your child is at school and develops any of these symptoms they will be isolated and a parent will be called for immediate pick up.**

Attendance Office Procedures for TWHS Students on Assigned “At School” Days

Parents/Guardians may contact the Attendance Office (messages can be left in English OR Spanish) by

email at twhsattend@wscloud.org or call 614-450-6291

Click [Attendance Philosophy & Procedures](#) for important information regarding your child’s absence from school.