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TWHS Weekly News & Updates

December 18, 2020

Monday - Thursday Online Class Schedule					Friday Online Class Schedule	
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Time	Friday
8:00 - 8:50	Connections				8:00 - 8:50	Connections
9:00 - 10:00	Period 1	Period 3	Period 1	Period 3	9:00 - 9:35	Period 1
10:10 - 11:10	Period 2	Period 4	Period 2	Period 4	9:45 - 10:20	Period 2
11:20 - 12:50	Connections				10:30 - 11:05	Period 3
					11:15 - 11:50	Period 4
1:00 - 2:00	Period 5	Period 7	Period 5	Period 7	12:00 - 12:35	Period 5
2:10 - 3:10	Period 6	Period 8	Period 6	Period 8	12:45 - 1:20	Period 6
Independent Learning Time	Period 3	Period 1	Period 3	Period 1	1:30 - 2:05	Period 7
	Period 4	Period 2	Period 4	Period 2	2:15 - 2:50	Period 8
	Period 7	Period 5	Period 7	Period 5		
	Period 8	Period 6	Period 8	Period 6		

The next TWHS Weekly News & Updates will be sent on Friday, January 8, 2021

Dear Cardinal Family,

Every year, I am surprised right before winter break.

When you work with a large group of people, there are patterns and routines that ebb and flow. Usually, they are predictable, but sometimes, even those expected cycles catch me by surprise.

This time of year, many of our local organizations step up to help kids, families, and community members in need. It starts around Thanksgiving and will continue through the end of the calendar year in a strong, coordinated way. I'm always impressed and pleasantly surprised. Our community is aware of the needs and invested in helping in meaningful ways. It happens every year, regardless of what else is going on.

I also get to experience unbridled joy and excitement--again, even in a pandemic. Taking in virtual concerts, watching student groups fundraise for others, hearing kids talk about their traditions, and seeing staff members prepare for the holidays all seem to multiply joy.

But I'm also reminded that, for some, this is not the happiest time. It may simply be the disappointment of missed events and altered family traditions. It may be the first year without a loved one. It may be the stress of financial concerns exacerbated by the holidays.

The complexity of emotion is real. I am often reminded just how nuanced it can be. Every year, I'm comforted by the people joyfully and freely helping those in need of extra support.

I am so thankful for our community and the people (young and "seasoned") I get to work with.

I hope you and your family are able to enjoy the holiday season and relax for at least a portion of winter break.

Looking forward to 2021!

Go Cards!

Pete Scully
Principal
TWHS

NEW announcements for this week

- Opportunity for Parents/Caregivers to Recognize a Staff Member!
- "Dream It * Be It" Virtual Event for Girls, February 20 – 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

ACADEMIC UPDATES

2020-2021 Remote Attendance Principles and Procedures

As we resume the 2020-2021 school year in a Remote setting, we believe attendance is a foundational piece of a student's academic success. Click [here](#) for 2020-2021 Middle School and High School Remote Attendance Principles and Procedures.

Parents will need to contact the [Attendance Office](#) if your child is late to class because he/she is not able to connect to the Online Learning Class due to internet, wifi, or technology issues.

College & Career Planning for the Class of 2022

College & Career Planning for the Class of 2022: Junior Night Presentation

Junior students and parents/guardians! College and career season is here! As a guide to the college admission process, the TWHS School Counselors have created a video titled, "College & Career Planning for the class of 2022." You can watch the video here: [Junior Night Presentation](#).

This presentation will give you inside information on the college application process, what admissions is looking for, ACT/SAT, and how to start creating your list of potential colleges to apply to. Please watch the video and contact your School Counselor with follow up questions!

Your TWHS School Counselors, Felicha Smith, Kelly Swearingen, Celeste Puisse, David Quart, and Stephanie Burns

Overflow Online ACT Crash Course for Worthington High School Students on January 8, 2021

This is an [intensive crash course](#) presented by Dr. Srinath Sampath of [PrepAccelerator](#). Participants will review and discuss a variety of ACT questions from simple to complex. Focused on problem solving under timed test conditions, this crash course will cover all four required sections of the ACT as well as the optional Writing section.

Date: January 8, 2021

Time: 4:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

Length: 4 hours instruction (with 30-min break at the half point) + 30-min Q&A at conclusion

Grades: 9-12

Location: Online. Students will need a computer with audiovisual capability and reliable internet access. Please do not go to your school to attend this event.

Registration Deadline: 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 7.

Cost: Free

Registration Link: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/prepaccelerator/461919>

Attention TWHS Students & Parents/Guardians: Register for ACT Boot Camp by February 2!

Standardized tests can be intimidating, but we want students to be prepared. That's why we're excited to partner again this year with Dr. Srinath Sampath of PrepAccelerator to offer preparatory sessions. Data shows these rigorous crash courses increase scores an average of 2-3 points—and that's significant on a 36-point test!

An intensive, two-day training session open to Linworth, TWHS and WKHS students, will be taught online on February 7 and February 14, 2021. This opportunity will cost \$200, a heavily discounted rate, and will include handouts, one printed ACT test with solutions, two online ACT tests with printed solutions, and a printed handbook that contains cheat sheets, test-taking tips, and over 850 drills with solutions in English and Math. Click [ACT Boot Camp](#) for more information and to register for the training session.

SENIOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attention Seniors: Apply for the Diploma of Distinction!

The Diploma of Distinction recognizes students for their excellence in academics, character, and service in one or more specific subject areas. In order to be considered for a Diploma of Distinction, please complete this [APPLICATION](#) by Friday, February 12, 2021. Late applications will not be accepted. Diplomas of Distinction are currently available in nine (9) areas: Project Lead the Way (PLTW), English, World Language, Theater Arts, Musical Arts, Service Learning and Career Mentorship, Visual Arts, Entrepreneurship Business Academy (EBA) and Science. Questions? Please email Mr. Quart at dquart@wscloud.org.



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

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

Late photos will not be accepted. Click [Senior Picture Submission Directions](#) to submit your senior picture for the yearbook by **January 4, 2021.**



Buy [The Cardinal Yearbook](#) today! Want more information? [Check out our website!](#)

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

PARENT TEACHER STUDENT ORGANIZATION (PTSO)

PTSO Meeting Dates Set for 2020-21

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

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](#).



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SCHOOL COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Cardinal Yearbook

Buy [The Cardinal Yearbook](#) today! Want more information? [Check out our website!](#)



Opportunity for Parents/Caregivers to Recognize a Staff Member!

Attention Parents/Caregivers – would you like to recognize the positive impact that a staff member has had on you or your child? The PBIS Team at TWHS would like to give you that opportunity. Please take 2 minutes and [click here](#) to complete the recognition form. Thank you!

"Dream It * Be It" Virtual Event for Girls, February 20 – 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

[Soroptimist International of Columbus & Franklin Co.](#) is presenting a DREAM IT, BE IT program on Saturday, February 20, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Soroptimist (meaning "Best for Women") International is a global volunteer organization that provides women and girls with access to education and training they need to achieve economic empowerment. Our local club has been improving the lives of local and global women and girls for over 65 years.

We want to invite girls in grades 6th-12th to attend this very special 1-day FREE event held via a ZOOM meeting. Girls will have the opportunity to meet some very inspiring women in different careers which will allow them to explore careers, empower them to dream, and learn how to create achievable goals. Click [Registration](#) for details and to register by Wednesday, February 10. This fantastic event will be worth their time and will include great prizes like gifts cards and t-shirts.



Holiday Meals Available Through Worthington Schools

Families can preorder and pick up meals on Monday, December 21 or Tuesday, December 22 at designated sites. Click [here](#) to learn how you can order and pick up your holiday meals.



School Calendar Updated on TWHS Website

Click on [TWHS School Calendar](#) to access the TWHS website calendar.

December 21-January 1: Winter Break

January 4: [Senior Picture Submission Deadline](#) to submit yearbook senior picture – **late photos will not be accepted**

January 7: Registration deadline for January 8th [Online ACT Crash Course](#) for Worthington High School Students

January 8: [Online ACT Crash Course](#) for pre-registered Worthington High School Students – 4:30 - 9:30 p.m.

January 15: [Online ACT Crash Course](#) for pre-registered Worthington High School Students – 4:30 - 9:30 p.m.

January 15: End of 2nd grading period

January 19: TWHS PTSO meeting via Zoom – 7:30 p.m.

January 20: [2nd Nine Weeks Grades](#) updated in Infinite Campus at 12:00 p.m.

COVID-19 Information

Please continue to report positive cases of COVID-19 using the online district reporting form:

[Worthington Schools COVID-19 Reporting Form](#)

It is important for schools to be notified of positive cases affecting our TWHS families to keep staff and students who are participating in school athletics safe and minimize the potential spread of COVID-19 in our community.

Keep your families safe by continuing to wear a mask, practice social distancing of at least 6 feet and wash hands often. Traveling can increase your chances of getting and spreading COVID-19 so be extra diligent with safe practices and stay home when possible over the upcoming holiday seasons.

More healthy precautions:

- Use alcohol-based hand sanitizer when soap & water are unavailable
- Cover your mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick
- Avoid contact with people who are sick
- Clean "highly touched" surfaces often at work and home
- Do not let your guard down!