

# Principal's Weekly **TMS** News Update!



## **Distance Learning Attendance**

Distance learner attendance is recorded daily during first period (7:25 – 8:29). Therefore, distance learning students must attend their live classes during first period to be counted as present for the day.

Attendance in live classes is still expected for the remainder of the day, but in-school circumstances, such as teacher absence or technology failures, may arise that alter those expectations. If live lessons are not available for any reason, please check for information and instructional expectations in your Google classrooms.

Just as if the student were in school, parents should notify the office if a distance learning student will not be attending class(es) on a particular day.



## **School Absence Protocol**

If your child is going to be absent from school, please notify the office (860-923-9380), and let us know if you need to speak to the nurse for any reason.

Some parents may be under the impression that students who are absent can join the distance-learning program for the day. Unfortunately, this is *not* possible at this time. Students can access their Google Classrooms to see posted assignments and any recorded lessons, but they cannot simply join the distance-learning program.

If your child will be home for an extended period, we may be able to make accommodations for distance-learning on an individual basis. Please contact your child's school counselor if you think this is applicable.



## **IMPORTANT REMINDER: Forms need to be returned**

All students and parents, including distance learners, received a packet of colored forms at the beginning of the school year. All of these forms need to be signed and returned to school. If you have not signed and returned these forms yet, please do so as soon as possible. You may return these forms to the main office by:

- Sending them to school with your child (if he/she is not a distance learner)
- Dropping them in the "drop box" in the TMS foyer
- Send them into the office with a friend or neighbor
- Mail them back to the school (785 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale, CT 06255)

Thank you for your immediate attention to this, as we are required by law to have these documents on file for **ALL** students.



## **TMS OPEN HOUSE**

On Tuesday, September 29th, TMS will hold its annual Open House for parents. Unfortunately, due to the COVID 19 situation, we will be unable to hold this event live and in-person as we would like to. The teacher presentations will be held virtually via Zoom. Your child's teachers will be sending you the Zoom links and information relative to their respective presentations. The Open House schedule will be as follows:

### **Open House Schedule for 9/29/20**

5:00 - 5:30 Related Services ( Occupational Therapist, Speech Therapist,  
School Psychologist, School Counselors)

5:30 - 6:00 Grade 8

6:00 - 6:30 Grade 5 (M. Roy/V. Moylan), (K. Claprood/J. Dion), (P. Dean)  
Life Skills - M. Kuszewski

6:30 - 7:00 Grade 6 (P. Ruffo/L. Morrison), (E. Groh/J. Perkins), (M. Domina)

7:00 - 7:30 Grade 7

7:30 - 8:00 Unified Arts