

TMS Principal's Weekly News Update

February 05, 2021

Upcoming events

- 2/08/2021 – BOE Meeting
- 2/10/2021 – E.R.D.
- 2/12/2021 – E.R.D.
- 2/15/2021 – No School (Feb Break)
- 2/16/2021 – No School (Feb Break)
- 2/17/2021 – No School (PD Day)
- 2/19/2021 – E.R.D.
- 2/26/2021 – E.R.D.
(Early release days = E.R.D.)



Student Council



TIGER PRIDE MONTH

TMS Student Council is encouraging staff and students at Thompson Middle School to show our Tiger Pride every Friday in February.

We are also working on making a video showing our love for our school. When you are in your Tiger Pride attire (anything **red & black**), send a quick 10 second video saying why you love TMS to Mr. Polun. The video theme is **“WHY WE LOVE TMS!!!!”** This is all optional of course, but let’s show our love for our school and have some fun doing it!

Staying Healthy Reminder!



The Thompson Middle School community has been doing all the things we need to in order to keep everyone healthy!

Remember we need to:

- Keep our masks on properly
- Cover our coughs and sneezes
- Wash our hands
- Keep proper distancing while in school and out in the community especially when we are not wearing our masks



Thank you for doing your part and keep up the great work!

Early release days (E.R.D.) for students on Friday's will continue through the end of **March**. (Walkers and parent pick up dismissal will be at 11:20 AM and bus dismissal will be at 11:30 AM.)

This is what is happening next week:



<u>Monday</u> <u>2/8</u> <u>Day 1</u>	<u>Tuesday</u> <u>2/9</u> <u>Day 2</u>	<u>Wednesday</u> <u>2/10</u> <u>Day 3</u>	<u>Thursday</u> <u>2/11</u> <u>Day 4</u>	<u>Friday</u> <u>2/512</u> <u>Day 5</u>
○ 7:00 PM BOE mtg	○	○ Early Release Day District PD	○	○ Early Release Day



Failing Grades

As we are a couple of weeks past the mid-part of the 2020-2021 school year, it is an appropriate time to remind parents and students that to be promoted to the next grade, a student must receive a final passing grade (60 or better) in 4 out of 5 of the major subjects. The major subjects include ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies, and a passing average of all Unified Art Classes. Any 8th grade students not passing four major subjects will not be allowed to participate in the Move-Up Ceremony. Should a child be in jeopardy of not being promoted, parents will receive a formal communication from the TMS Administration. Letters are being emailed and/or mailed today.



Cold Weather

Please keep in mind that students will continue going outside for physical education, cardio, mask breaks, and recess. Bring your jacket, hat, and gloves to school as needed. Please contact the TMS Guidance office if your child is in need of a winter coat!



School Pictures Are Coming!

School pictures through Lifetouch Photography, which were cancelled in September, have been rescheduled for **March 29th**. More information will be available in the near future.

Attendance

Daily attendance in school is very important. In these times, it is sometimes difficult to find that motivation and strength to help students attend classes on time every day. Thompson Middle School has partnered with TEEG to provide services to support families who are struggling to get students to school regularly – whether on-site or remotely. Please contact the school office or your child's school counselor for more information. This is a free service.

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School Counseling Week:

This past week was National School Counseling Week. Thompson Middle School is so fortunate to have two excellent and dedicated school counselors, Mrs. Juliet Popovich and Mrs. Julie Maliff. While often working behind the scenes, Juliet and Julie work tirelessly to help our students navigate academic struggles and social drama in a positive and meaningful way. These last two school years have truly demonstrated the value of school counselors to our students and families. I hope you will join us in offering Mrs. Popovich and Mrs. Maliff our gratitude for all they do at Thompson Middle School.

