

Dear TVMS Families -

With the start of school later this week, we realize your family may be in need of further details to be better prepared and feel more comfortable with the format chosen for the return to school.

Those families choosing the Live Stream option are asked to pick-up items needed by students for their work at home on Wednesday, 8/26, from 8:30-11:30 AM, or from 4:00-5:00 PM at the lower level bus loop school entrance. Students will receive class information through the Schoology platform. Teachers will provide zoom links in their specific Schoology classroom folders for students to access the live stream and interact with each class. All communication will take place through the Schoology pages.

Virtual Learning Links: [Information about Live Streaming](#) [Twin Valley Virtual Academy](#)

Students attending in-person should be aware of the following items:

- **Bus students will use separate entrances for each grade level clearly identified by staff members around the lower bus loop. Staff will assist students with directions to the cafe for breakfast or to their 1st period classrooms.**
- **Parent drop-off will occur at the office entrance, starting no earlier than 8:00 AM. Students will wait in the auditorium using appropriate physical distancing and monitored by school staff until the morning bell sounds. Directions for moving to classes will be given by the supervising adult the first morning and reviewed thereafter as needed.**
- **Students eating breakfast will do so in the cafeteria and/or overflow rooms and be supervised by teaching staff. Directions for moving to classes will be given the first morning and repeated thereafter as needed.**
- **All students will report to their 1st period class at the start of the school day. This will be a core subject class for all grade levels except 7th grade, who will report to their 1st period Related Arts classroom. Students will receive a new hard copy of their schedule the first day of school. Please know that while there are usually schedule changes for some students the first day of school due to a variety of reasons, more students can expect changes as section numbers were adjusted throughout last week for new enrollees and those who changed initial schooling options, in order to meet the current physical distancing requirements.**
- **All students are encouraged to bring back-packs to school to house their personal and school-related items as lockers will not be assigned until a later date. Students will carry backpacks with them to each classroom and the lunchroom.**
- **Each grade level will have a separate lunch period using the cafeteria and two overflow rooms to maintain the 6-foot requirement for lunches. Hand sanitizing stations will be available in the cafeteria as students will be required to sanitize their hands before and after eating lunch. School staff will direct students in the procedure for obtaining their lunch and procedures while in the lunchroom. Allergy free table will be provided. Because 7th grade lunch is early in the day and the 8th grade lunch is late in the day, each will offer a snack time at an appropriate time of the day. Please refer to the district snack policy for appropriate items and guidelines.**

- As part of the new Middle School One Schedule, we will implement a Flex Period at the end of the school day. This important time will be used to provide regular academic support and enrichment during the Raider Ready days, and to support social-emotional learning and community-building of our Raider Pride program in Advisory. Later in the school year, we hope to add a day for club activities and one for a “Genius Time” of project-based learning.
- Parent Pick Up procedures for 2020-21 have changed. As communicated previously, students will be dismissed for parent pick-up at 3:25 PM to accommodate bus traffic at the school and on Clymer Hill road. Pick-up will occur at the rear of the school, cafeteria entrance via the lower driveway. The upper lot entrance will be closed one half-hour prior to school dismissal and access to the lower driveway will only be permitted after 3:15 PM. Early arrivals will be directed to the turf field parking lot until that time. Parents should follow the arrows as indicated on the map provided. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we implement this new procedure. Attached is a Map of the Traffic Flow for Parent Pick Up at 3:25 PM. [TVMS Parent Pick Up Map](#)
- The Tech Department will reset Student Passwords for grades 6-8 by 5 PM the evening before school starts. All passwords will be reset to “tvms2020”. The students will be prompted to change the password (minimum of 8 characters). All 5th grade passwords were reset to "tvms2020" last week. Students will be reminded via their school email account.
- The Middle School Parent Information Portal has been updated and contains information and procedures from the School Nurses. Please take time to review this document at the link listed.

Link to Parent Information Portal site - important details on Reopening Health and Safety Plan [Click Here](#)

- Virtual Back to School Night has been scheduled for September 8th, from 5:00-8:30 PM. Details are forthcoming.

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