

Junior High Announcements

May 7, 2024



ALL TCA PARENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

TCA SUBSTITUTES NEEDED:

Types of jobs available: Teacher, Tutor, Office/Kiosk/Health Room, Test Proctoring

Requirements:

TEACHER: Bachelor's degree in any subject **or** HS Diploma + CDE Substitute Teacher Authorization

PARAPROFESSIONAL: High School Diploma or GED

OFFICE/KIOSK/HEALTH ROOM: High School Diploma/GED and additional training in the specific area

PROCTORING: Bachelor's degree in any subject and additional training in the specific area

To apply, please visit TCA's employment site at <https://www.applitrack.com/tcad20/onlineapp/> and submit an application for Substitute

TCA ATHLETIC GAME SAFETY

All Elementary and Junior High students who attend TCA athletic events must sit with an adult during the event for supervision purposes. Unfortunately, we have noticed types of behavior that could lead to injury or students getting in trouble. We desire to promote a safe atmosphere for all spectators; thus, ***no personal sporting or toy ball of any kind will be allowed into events.*** We thank you for your partnership in this endeavor.

HEALTHY MEALS FOR ALL

Healthy Meals for All will begin in the 2023-24 school year. For more information, [Colorado Healthy School Meals for All program](#) .

Program Student Fees Assistance

For more information <https://www.asd20.org/nutrition-and-food-services/free-and-reduced/>.

TCA North Campus Carpool -This system works efficiently if we all do our part. Following these guidelines will make our peak traffic times both efficient and safe for all. For more information [click here](#)

TCA's Mental Health Resources Page

TCA realizes the importance of mental health and has created a page of resources for parents and students to utilize. [Click here to view the page.](#) This link can also be found under the "Helpful Links" at the bottom of each page on this website and under the "Family" tab at the top of the page.

The Seventy-Sixth Volume of the PALMARIUM is provided for your review. [click here](#). This first volume of this school year includes an article from Dr. Robert Thomason, the graduation speeches from both Michelle Drake and Stefani Hille, plus other interesting information.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Eighth Grade students will be on an adjusted schedule during finals week.

All junior high students attend school on Monday, May 20 through Thursday, May 23. Junior high students do not come to school on Friday, May 24, unless they are taking a make-up final.

Dear Eighth Grade Parents,

It is hard to believe we are already in the last three weeks of school. It has been a joy to journey through this year with your family at the junior high.

All 8th graders will take comprehensive semester final exams. 8th Grade students will take finals in Classics (Latin), English, History, Mathematics, and Science during the last week of school.

Students start their finals on Monday, May 20 and will be on special schedules Tuesday through Thursday to allow for one and half hour finals with optional study sessions after lunch. Please see the schedule below for more details.

Per our Secondary Student-Parent handbook, final exams may not be taken early. Students that are absent on one of the testing days can make arrangements with their teacher to take their final from 8:00 AM - 12:00 Noon on Friday, May 25. Students with extended absences during finals week can arrange to take their make-up finals the following week.

Teachers will also communicate their final exam testing dates to your children and hand out study guides next week.

We are looking forward to three fantastic weeks leading to Summer Break. Please call the Junior High Office at 484-0091 if you have any questions or need clarification about our finals schedule.

Sincerely,

Hugh Di Pretore

Junior High Principal

The Classical Academy

Breakdown by Day

Monday, May 20, 2024- All eighth-grade students on campus from 7:45 AM - 3:00 PM

7:45 AM - 9:15 AM - Period 7 Final

Classes for review sessions until 3:00 PM

Tuesday, May 21, 2024- All eighth-grade students on campus from 7:45 AM - 12:20 PM. Optional

Review Sessions from 12:30 PM - 2:40 PM

Period 1 Final 7:45 AM - 9:15 AM

Period 2 Final 10:10 AM -11:40 AM

Lunch 11:40 AM - 12:20 PM

Optional Review Session #1 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

Optional Review Session #2 1:40 PM - 2:40PM

Wednesday, May 22, 2024- All eighth-grade students on campus from 7:45 AM - 12:20 PM.

Optional Review Sessions from 12:30 PM - 2:40 PM

Period 3 Final 7:45 AM - 9:15 AM

Period 4 Final 10:10 AM -11:40 AM

Lunch 11:40 AM - 12:20 PM

Optional Review Session #1 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

Optional Review Session #2 1:40 PM - 2:40PM

Thursday, May 23, 2024- All eighth-grade students on campus from 7:45 AM - 12:20 PM

Period 5 Final 7:45 AM - 9:15 AM

Period 6 Final 10:10 AM -11:40 AM

Lunch 11:40 AM - 12:20 PM

ALL Eighth Grade Students Picked up at 12:20 PM

Friday, May 24, 2024- No classes, only pre-arranged

Eighth Grade Course Registration Form

Due by Friday, May 10, 2024

EIGHTH GRADE REGISTRATION FORM

Dear Seventh Grade Families,

It has been a joy having your child at the junior high this year. We are looking forward to the year ahead and want to get information from you to help us create your child's schedule. Please talk about this information with your child and then fill out the registration form using this [REGISTRATION FORM LINK](#). We will need your family to complete this form by Friday, May 10, 2024. Completing the form should only take a few minutes.

I have included general information about the eighth grade classes on the Registration Form, but here is an overview of a eighth grade student's scheduling options as well.

ALL STUDENTS WILL TAKE:

English

History

Math*

Science

Electives (Attend every other day)

Art

Computers

Classics (Latin)

Physical Education

Fine Art / Study Hall: Families will select if their child will continue with band/choir or replace this class with a study hall.

** Students with passing grades in their current math class will be placed in the next sequential math class. Students that received a fail in either semester will repeat their current math class in an eighth grade classroom. Please reach out to your child's current math teacher with any questions.*

ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Your child's seventh grade teacher in English, history, and science might recommend them for the enrichment class in their discipline using the criteria below. You might receive an additional email over the next two weeks from your child's teacher letting you know if your child has been recommended for the Enrichment section. Students can take enrichment classes in two of the three areas. We ask you to prioritize these subjects on their digital registration form to help us schedule them into the enrichment classes that they are most interested.

Enrichment Criteria for TCA Junior High

- Students should be high performing, self-motivated, possess good work ethics and habits. High test scores and grades should be considered, but they should not be the only criteria.
- Less than highest performing students can at times be excellent enrichment candidates if they possess passion for the subject, consistently complete their homework throughout the

- Students are able to function with minimal parent support (lots of parent interest is always encouraged, i.e., asking what did you do in class today at the dinner table, applauding effort, etc.)

Please reach out to the Junior High Office at 719-484-0091 if you encounter any problems or have any questions about the scheduling process.

Sincerely,
Hugh Di Pretore
Junior High Principal
The Classical Academy

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NAVY/CRIMSON A/B Rotation This Week

Monday: Navy

Tuesday: Crimson

Wednesday: Navy

Thursday: Crimson

Friday: Navy

NEW:

ACTIVITIES:

Thursday, May 9th

3:45- JH Track and Field NPAC Championships @ D20 Stadium (Early Release- 2:40)

Announcements:

JH Volleyball will be hosting two open gyms this week on May 7th from 4:00-5:30 pm in the Aux. Gym and May 10th from 3:15-4:45 pm in the Aux. Gym. This is for students interested in playing next season.

Junior High nine-hole golf tournament on Wednesday afternoon at Cherokee Ridge golf course starting at 1:30 on May 15. Registration is open on the high school athletic page under camps and clinics until May 13.

Library News

All library books are due NOW

ADDITIONALLY! The library will close at 3:00 on the following days because testing will run past school hours.

Monday - May 6th

Tuesday - May 7th

Thursday - May 9

Thursday - May 16th

Rising 9th grade

2024-2025 HS STUCO Meeting – **TODAY** Tuesday, May 7 in the Lecture Hall during Flex. All Rising 9th – Rising 12th 2024-2025 Stuco members should attend.

Musical Auditions for the high school fall musical *Singin in the Rain* will be held on May 13th from 3:15pm – 8:00pm in the auditorium. Please sign up for an audition time in the Black Box and pick up an audition packet. You will sing a provided song selection from the show or a song of your choice. There is also a short dance combination that you must learn for the auditions. 8th graders are encouraged to audition. Callbacks will be held May 15th from 3:30pm – 5:30pm. Please see Mrs. von Kessel if you have any questions.

REPEAT:

ACTIVITIES:

Announcements:

Attention all current 8th graders! Starting May 1st , you can start attending HS off-season training. Please see the coach contact information below if you are not already on their email list.

Baseball - Bart Jennings bjennings@asd20.org

Cheer - Jenna Kester jkester@asd20.org

Cross Country - Matt Norton mnorton@asd20.org

Football - Justin Rich jrich@asd20.org

Men's Basketball - Kevin Wenger kwenger@asd20.org

Men's Golf - Bob Gravelle bgravelle@asd20.org

Men's Soccer - Blake Galvin bgalvin@asd20.org

Softball - Wyatt Miller wmiller@asd20.org

Track - Tim Daggett daggett@asd20.org

Volleyball - Layne Witmer ewitmer@asd20.org

Women's Golf - Bob Gravelle bgravelle@asd20.org

Women's Soccer - Blake Galvin bgalvin@asd20.org

Women's Basketball - Frank Haist fhaist@asd20.org

Wrestling - Sean Collins sacollins2003@gmail.com

–TCA Summer Athletic Camp brochures available in the JH office and at the Secondary Security Kiosk.

***** Attention all 8th grade girls! If you are interested in playing Girls' Flag Football next Fall, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Activities Office. The sign-up sheet will be available until May 10th .**

YEARBOOK UPDATE

The Yearbook Sale in Infinite Campus is LIVE, and we've added a few more books now that the order has shipped! However, **please note, once they're gone, that's it.**

To access the IC sale, login to Campus Parent and tap "School Store" on the left side.

You'll be able to add a yearbook to your cart and complete the purchase from here.

Lastly, our yearbook is complete! Thank you for all your photo submissions! The books will be distributed on May 17th.

Questions? Email asquier@asd20.org

8th Grade Celebration Photos

Digital Photo Gallery for photo booth:

[8th Grade Celebration](#)

From Mr. Pollard:

Students should not use the wrestling hallway between classes. Please use band hallways. Thank you.

If your padlock is giving you trouble, please check in with Mr. Pollard

JR. HIGH AFTER SCHOOL LABS

After School Workshop: There are three workshops to assist students who are struggling to complete their homework or need extra support in English, mathematics, or organization. We provide free support in a workshop format with a teacher present four days a week. Please see the schedule below for the workshops available to your child each week.

Afterschool Support Lab hours 3:05 PM -4:00 PM

Monday

General Lab - ROOM 3329 Swiontek

Tuesday

General Lab - ROOM 3329 Swiontek

English - ROOM 3308 King

Math - ROOM 3309 Smith

Wednesday

General Lab - ROOM 3329 Swiontek

English - ROOM 3306 Finch

Math - ROOM 3307 Welton

Thursday

General Lab - ROOM 3329 Swiontek

English - ROOM 3316 Cai

Parents can call their child on their cell phone or call the General Workshop at 719-488-6222 to let them know that they are here to pick them up.

MONTH AT A GLANCE

MAY

Wednesday, May 15 -- Mid-Day Dismissal with Staff In-Service Afternoon

May 20-24 -- Eighth Grade Finals Week

Thursday, May 23 -- 7th Grade Picnic

Thursday, May 23 -- LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Friday, May 24 – Graduation/Staff Inservice
Monday, May 27 – SCHOOL CLOSED – Memorial Day

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Non-TCA Sponsored Events)



The Classical Academy Junior High

Support Hours:

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Website: http://www.tcatitans.org/schools/junior_high

Location: [975 Stout Road, Colorado Springs, CO, USA](#)

Phone: [719-484-0091](tel:719-484-0091)



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