

# Junior High Announcements

*September 7, 2023*



## ALL TCA PARENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HEALTHY MEALS FOR ALL

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

- ASD20 and TCA have opted into the Healthy School Meals for All program for the 2023-24 school year.
- Starting in August 2023, all students will have access to reimbursable lunch school meals at their school at no cost.
- A la carte purchases and the cost to double a meal will continue to be offered for a fee. These purchases will be charged to the student's meal account, or the student may pay for the food items with cash.
- Sodexo will no longer be offering credit to students (since one meal is free). Students must have money in their account if they want to buy a second meal or an a la carte item.

· Qualifying families should still submit applications for Free or Reduced Meal status, including the Release of Information form, to qualify for fee reductions for athletics, activities, and course fees.

### **Program Student Fees Assistance**

Through application to the Free and Reduced Meal program (FARM), certain school fees may be reduced or waived for families. Information regarding the program and applications is available at <https://www.asd20.org/nutrition-and-food-services/free-and-reduced/>. All TCA families are eligible to apply through the Academy District 20 program.

Please be sure to fill out the Release of Information form so the TCA Finance Department has the information and can apply it to your family's student fees as applicable.

The Free and Reduced Meals application deadline is Sept 30 each year. Beginning this year, if a family misses the application deadline, fees will no longer be adjusted retroactively. Moving forward, if a family qualifies for FARM but turns in their application after Sep 30, their fees will be reduced from that point on, but fees will not be adjusted that have already been paid. For additional assistance with the payment of fees, contact the school principal.

**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.

**Cutting through Private Properties-Please honor our neighboring (private) properties** – TCA is surrounded by private property. The following are some properties that continue to work closely with TCA to ensure that access to their businesses are not limited during our heavy traffic carpool times:

- **Bella Springs Apartments – This property is for resident and visitor traffic only. Do not cut through their complex to bypass Voyager traffic.**
- **Community Bible Study/Idyllwild Office Park – This is not a permitted drop off/pick up location. Signs are posted reminding drivers this area is private property and violators are subject to ticketing and towing.**
- **Banana Lot – Closed during Carpool.**

### **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-fifth volume of the PALMARIUM** is provided for your review. This last volume of the school year includes a farewell from Dr. Sojourner, the founders talking about the *mission statement*, and American Cancer Society fundraiser results. You will also find info about Parent Survey results and 25 years of State Champions at TCA. I hope you each have a wonderful summer break.

# NAVY/CRIMSON A/B Rotation This Week

Monday: NO SCHOOL--Labor Day

Tuesday: Navy

Wednesday: Crimson

Thursday: Navy

Friday: Crimson

## NEW:

**ALL JH STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT AT ALL HS SPORTING EVENTS AND MUST SIT WITH THAT PARENT.**

### **REMINDER 8th Grade Mountain Lab**

Parents will pick up their student after camp **TODAY** (September 7th) between 5:45-6:30 PM

### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2023**

No Classes for 8th Grade Students Only (due to Mountain Lab). 7th grade students have classes as usual.

### **LIBRARY**

Did you know that there is a library version of Wordle you can play in the library? If you guess the word over the course of the week, you get a small prize, and we have a drawing for a larger prize each month. And now, drum roll, please... Ms. Davenport from the high school and Kaitlynn Pollard from the junior high are our winners! Please come to the library to claim your prize, and thank you all for playing!

### **ACTIVITIES**

**Reminder, all JH students MUST be accompanied by a parent at ALL HS sporting events and must sit with that parent.**

**Attention 8th Graders:** If you are interested in participating in Bowling in HS, please stop by the Activities Office and sign the interest sheet.

**Junior High Golf Tournament** Calling all boys and girls to compete in the nine hole golf tournament on Sep 15 at Cherokee Ridge golf course. Register on the TCA High School web, under athletics, and then camps and clinics.

HS Softball registration is open and will close on Sept. 20th

JH Boys' Basketball registration is open and will close on Sept. 25th

TCA 7th -8th Junior High Golf Tournament registration is open. Register at [TCAtitans.org](http://TCAtitans.org) under camps and clinics

All Fall Sport fees are due by Sept. 1st

**GOOD LUCK to 8th Grade Band Students!** They will be joining the high school band on the field this Friday night at the home game! We're PROUD of you!!

**Picture Make Up Day** -- Wednesday October 18th

**LOST AND FOUND**--will be cleaned out next Friday, Sept 15th. Please check for any of your lost items. Lots of water bottles and lunch bags!

**7th Grade Parents**--if you dropped off a cooler for BOOT Camp day and have not yet picked it up-- please come by the office between 7:15 and 3:30 this week to pick it up. Thanks!!

## **REPEAT:**

Parents, yearbooks are officially on sale!

Go to [www.yearbookordercenter.com](http://www.yearbookordercenter.com) and enter code 16022 to order for TCA Junior High. Here you can also purchase an ad for your 8th grader (only 8th graders). You can take \$10 off your purchase by entering the code EARLYBIRD at checkout until 9/30! After that, books will be full price.

We'd also LOVE to have any photos from Boot Camp and the first days of school! Bonus if these photos are candid, and of students in the moment! To submit, you can either go to [hjeshare.com](http://hjeshare.com) or get the EShare app wherever you get apps. Once there, enter code tcajh (case sensitive) to submit your photos!

**Please note: We sold out last year!** The only way to guarantee that your student has a yearbook is to make your purchase EARLY! Yearbooks will be on sale through the spring, but we can't guarantee any leftover books after the online order center closes on 3/23/2024!

### **Picture Day Guide Website**

The Picture Day Guide Website is your resource for printer-friendly handouts, Social Media graphics and posts, answers to FAQs and more!

Picture Day is coming up on 9/1/23! Order before Picture Day to receive free shipping to the school. Order online at <https://inter-state.com/FlyerEntry/79189XF>.

## 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

Math Lab - ROOM 3310 Thibault

#### 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

### SEPTEMBER

September 6-7 -- 8th Gr. Mountain Lab Overnight

September 15 -- NO STUDENTS -- Staff Inservice

September 29 -- 7th Gr. Trench Day

### OCTOBER

Thursday, October 5-- Friday, October 6 -- Parent Teacher Conferences

Monday, October 9 -- Friday, October 13 -- NO SCHOOL--FALL BREAK

# COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Non-TCA Sponsored Events)



## The Classical Academy Junior High

Support Hours:

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

📍 975 Stout Road, Colorado Sprin...    ☎ 719-484-0091  
🌐 [tcatitans.org/schools/junior\\_hi...](https://tcatitans.org/schools/junior_hi...)

