

Robert A. Taft Information Technology High School

Family Orientation
2023-2024 School Year



WELCOME to All 7th - 12th Grade Families

Robert A. Taft Information Technology High School's mission is to graduate young people who are prepared to meet the challenges of the future through higher education and the world of work.



Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Bell Schedule
3. Opportunities for Involvement
4. Expectations and Policies
5. Transportation Information (Metro)
6. Q & A



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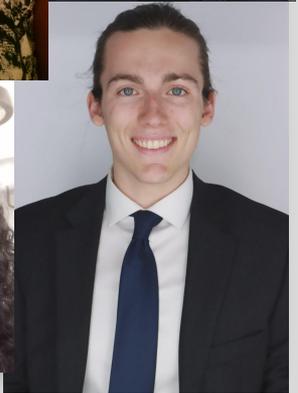
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Some of Our Staff



Taft High School Counselors



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Bell Schedule

School Hours

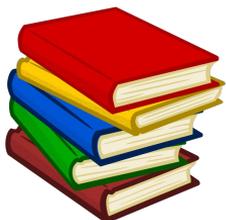
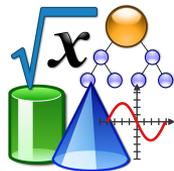
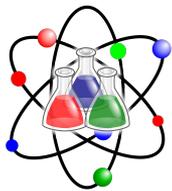
8:50 AM- 3:50 PM

Doors Open: 8:20 AM



8:20 am - 8:45 am	Doors Open - Breakfast			
8:50 am - 9:40 am	Bell 1			
9:44 am - 10:34 am	Bell 2			
10:34 am - 10:41 am	Homeroom & Announcements			
	7th Grade	8th Grade	9th/10th	11th/12th
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	12:13 pm - 1:03 pm Bell 4	12:13 pm - 1:03 pm Bell 4	12:33 pm - 1:03 pm LUNCH	12:33 am - 1:23 pm Bell 5
1:07 pm - 1:57 pm	5th Bell (48 min)			1:27 pm - 1:57 pm LUNCH
2:01 pm - 2:51 pm	6th Bell			
2:55 pm - 3:45 pm	7th Bell			

Sample 7th Grade Schedule



School Hours

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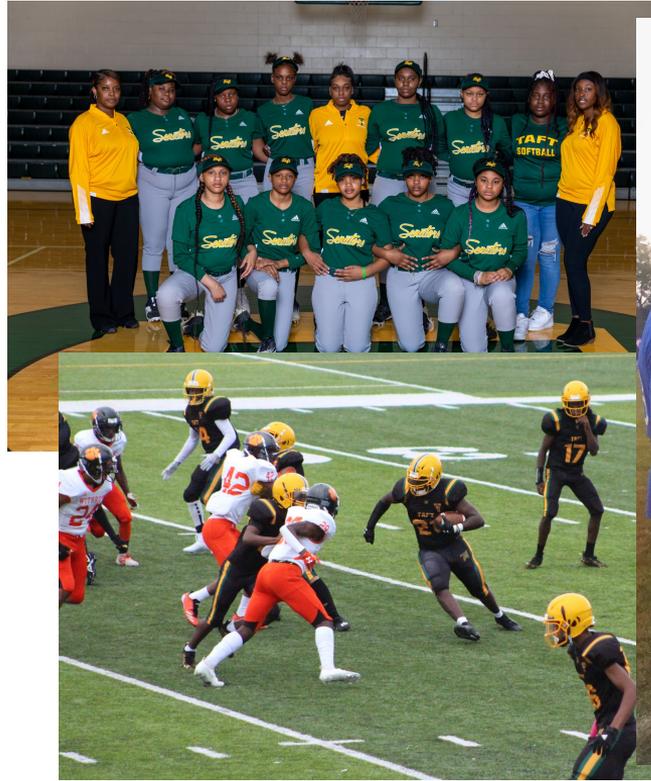
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8:20 am	Doors Open - Breakfast	
8:50 am - 9:40 am	Bell 1	Math
9:44 am - 10:34 am	Bell 2	English
10:34 am - 10:41 am	Homeroom & Announcements	
11:45 am - 11:15 am	LUNCH	
11:19 am - 12:09 pm	Bell 3	Social Studies
12:13 pm - 1:03 pm	Bell 4	Music
1:07 pm - 1:57 pm	Bell 5	Support Bell (SEL & Mindfulness)
2:01 pm - 2:51 pm	Bell 6	Science
2:55 pm - 3:45 pm	Bell 7	Physical Education

Our Athletics

- Football*
- Boys and Girls Basketball*
- Cross Country*
- Track*
- Girls Volleyball*
- Cheerleading*
- Wrestling
- Baseball*
- Softball

*Indicates MS and HS



A Legacy of Champions

- ★ **2022- Boys Basketball State Champions**
- ★ 2022- Football Regional Finalist
- ★ 2021- Football- Regional Semi-Finalist
- ★ 2021- Boys Basketball- Final Four, Regional Champions
- ★ 2014- 2021- Football 7 CMAC Champions
- ★ 2020-2021- Girls Basketball Sectional Champions
- ★ Last 3 years- Cross Country CMAC Boys and Girls
- ★ 2022 & 2023 Boys Track CMAC Champs



Some of Our Partners

- Project Connect
- GRAD Cincinnati
- FC Cincinnati
- Taft Alumni
- Jobs for Cincinnati Grads (JCG)
- Altafiber (formerly Cincinnati Bell)
- MindPeace



Enrichment Opportunities

- M.O.R.E. - *Men Organized Respectful Educated*
- G2W- *Girls 2 Women*
- Drone Club
- Band
- Speak Up, Speak Out
- Academic Quiz Team
- Outdoor Adventure Club



Parent Teacher Organization

- Be engaged
- Be informed
- Have a voice
- Contribute
- Lead



7th & 8th Grade Transportation (Yellow Bus)

- Bus stop and time is posted in PowerSchool under the 'Transportation' tab.
- If you cannot access PS, you can call 513-363-7433 to find your pickup and time.
- If you would like your student to ride the Metro instead of the Yellow Bus, you will need to complete a Waiver. (located here at Taft)
 - You will need to live more than 1 mile from school and also live within the CPS School District.
 - If your student opted out of Yellow Bus and rode the METRO last year as a 7th grader, we have their METRO card for this year (no new waiver needed)

9th - 12th Transportation (METRO)

- Bus Cards will be distributed on the first day of school.
- Students will be allowed to ride METRO fare free for the first day of school.
- A Metro pass will not be created for students whose pass was not activated during a previous school year → You will have to request a new one for this year
- 1 Ride Passes will be given to students who have requested Bus Cards and are waiting on METRO to issue them.
- If Bus Cards are lost, there is a \$10 fee to replace them. Cash only.

Transportation/METRO Information



Student safety is of utmost concern to both organizations. Listed below are some additional safeguards that are being put into place as students shift to using regular routes.

Additional Safeguards:

- Additional adult supervision at school arrival and dismissal, at transfer hubs and on buses
- Traffic control at arrival and dismissal
- CPS security is being trained as licensed crossing guards
- Adding additional routes in order to accommodate the extra students riding the bus
- CPS is working with city planners to ensure the city is prepared to manage additional students at transfer sites

[Transit APP](#)



TAFT IT School Expectations

We are **PROUD** to be T.A.F.T. Senators!

T - Treat yourself and others with respect

A - Act Responsibly

F - Follow directions and procedures

T - Technology used appropriately



Uniform Policy

Taft is returning to Uniforms for the 2023-2024 school year. Uniforms encourage a focus on academics, removes distractions, contributes to professional appearance, and leads to a positive school climate.

Tops/Shirts

- Solid White, Green, or Gold Polo Shirts
- Taft spirit wear and team uniforms are acceptable.

Pants

- Tan Pants, Shorts, or Skirts (Plaid skirts are also acceptable)
- Skirts and shorts must be no shorter than an inch above the knee.



NO "SLIDES"



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UNIFORM POLICY



2023-2024

Tops:



Other:



For questions or concerns, please reach out at (513) 363-8200 or baggetc@cps-k12.org

Bottoms:



Laptop Information

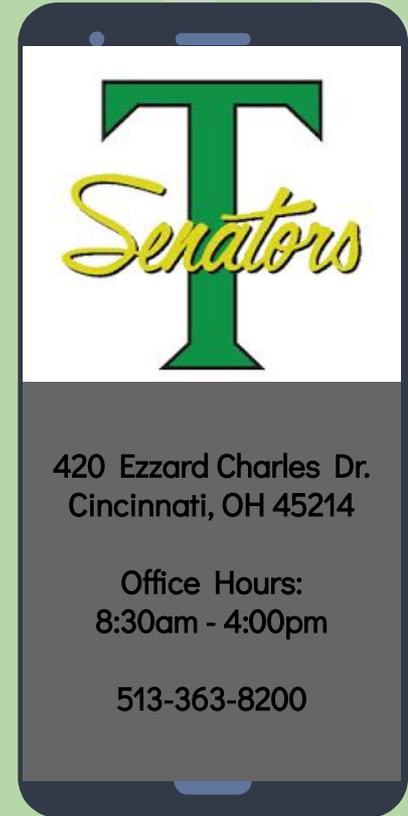
- Returning students who took their laptops with them over summer need to bring them on Day 1 of school
- New to CPS/Taft students who do not have a device will be issued one within the first full week of school
- Reminder: Students are responsible and will be charged for Lost/stolen/broken laptops and chargers



Q & A



Taft IT High School Office Contact Info



Thanks!

See you on the

First Day of School:

Thursday, August 17th, 2023

