

MAY 2024 Cougar News

Upcoming Events

MAY

May 6th

· No School - Staff Workday

May 14th 3pm-9pm

o Spirit Night Texas Roadhouse

May 15th 5pm - 6:30pm

o 5th Grade Parent Night

May 27th

No School = Holiday

May 29th - 5-6:30pm

8th grade continuation

May 30th

 Last Day of School For all grades! **Dear Thornton Middle Families,**

Happy May! We cannot believe this year is coming to an end.

We are incredibly proud of the work our students' have accomplished. May is chock full of celebration and culminating events in an effort to honor the brilliant efforts of our kids.

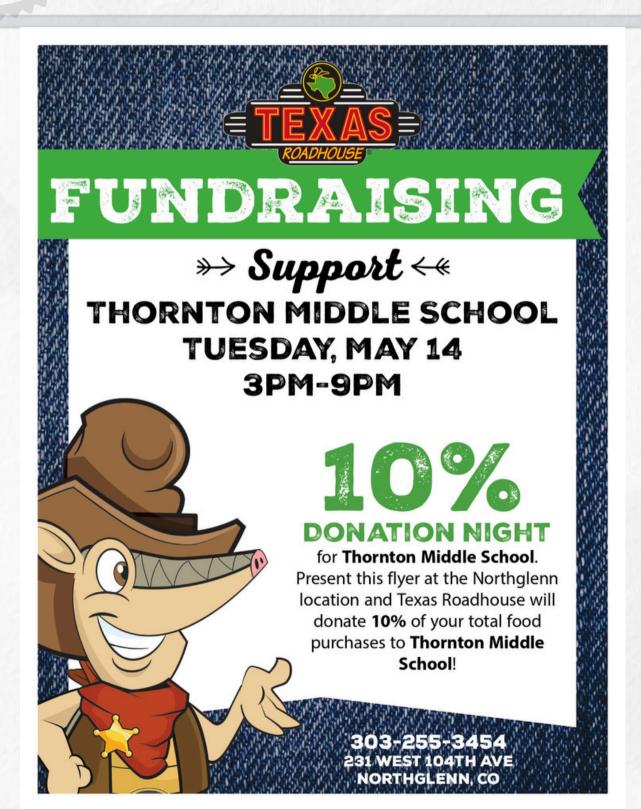
We look forward to spending time with you and your child during these celebrations. As we close the year, be on the lookout for community events and academic support from local organizations including Anythink Library, Northglenn and Thornton Recreation Centers and more.

Thank you for amazing support and partnership this year. Happy May!

Thank you,

The Administration Team Thornton Middle School 2023-2024









Come Support The TMS Boys Basketball Team

Game One: Thursday 03/21 6pm/7pm vs. Thunder Vista @ TMS

Game Two: Thursday 03/28 6pm/7pm @ Northglenn MS

Game Three: Thursday 04/11 6pm/7pm vs. STEM Lauch @ TMS

Game Four: Thursday 04/18 6pm/7pm vs. Hulstrom @ TMS

Game Five: Thursday 04/25 6pm/7pm @ STEM Lab

Tournaments TBD - 04/29, 05/02 & 05/09



2023-2024 MIDDLE SCHOOL ADMISSION PRICES

Basketball & Girls Volleyball

Preschool and Under Free
K-12 Students / Senior Citizens \$2.00
Adults \$3.00
Athletic punch pass \$20.00

NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED

Cash & check payments accepted

Make checks payable to Adams 12 Five Star Schools

Please no bills larger than \$20



8th Grade Girls Volleyball Camp

Thornton High School Incoming Freshman Current 8th Grade Students



Thornton High School Gym 5-7pm Monday, May 13th Tuesday, May 14th Wednesday, May 15th

Come in gym clothes prepared to play!

No Cost

Everyone is welcome - with or without prior volleyball experience

Summer Open Gym

Tuesdays and Thursdays 8 - 10 am Starting June 18th

Sheila Craig, Girls Volleyball Head Coach · sheila2225@hotmail.com · (303) 590-8823 https://thornton-athletics.com/





Cougar News

Established 1993



5:00 - 6:30PM



Grade Continuation

WEDNESDAY MAY 29TH
5:00PM - 6:30PM
THORNTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Come celebrate our 8th graders as they move onto High School.



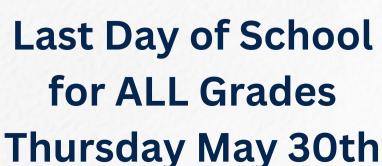
food trucks will be outside the gym doors following the ceremony





No School -Memorial Day Monday May 27th











Please check out the amazing opportunities we have open at Thornton Middle School.

Open Positions At Thornton Middle School - CLICK HERE

We are excited to announce a pilot program taking place at Thornton Elementary and Thornton Middle Schools for the 2024-25 school year.

Starting salary for Teachers:

Early Educators (1 - 3 Years of Experience) - \$68,000
Professional Educators (4+ Years of Experience) - \$74,000
Starting salary for Special Educators or Special Services Providers:
Early Educators (1 - 3 Years of Experience) - \$74,000
Professional Educators (4+ Years of Experience) - \$85,500

<u>Pilot Salary Schedule</u> (Thornton Elementary and Thornton Middle School) Effective August 1, 2024 pending ratification and Board of Education approval. For more information about the Pilot Salary Schedule, please email hr-human-resources@adams12.org.

Pilot Schools - Job Descriptions:
Pilot Program Building Teacher Leader

<u>Pilot Program Early Career Teacher</u> <u>Pilot Program Professional Teacher</u>











THORNTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

COMMUNITY CLOSET

The Community Closet will be open at Thornton Middle School and for the following designated Elementary Schools:

Rocky Mountain, Coronado Hills, McElwain Thornton Elementary, North Star

It will be available for the month of June 11 until July 31on the following days Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
From 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

No appointment necessary

Please contact Ms. Laura if you have any questions at 720-972-5176 or laura.bowman@adams12.org







LA ESCUELA SECUNDARIA THORNTON ARMARIO COMUNITARIO

El Armario Comunitario estará abierto en el verano en la Escuela Thornton Middle y para las siguientes Escuelas Primarias:

> Rocky Mountain, Coronado Hills, McElwain Thornton Elementary, North Star

Estará disponible por el mes de junio 11 hasta julio 31 nadamos los siguientes días marte, miércoles y jueves de las 9:00 a.m. hasta las 3:00 p.m.

No es necesario hacer cita

Comuníquese con Ms. Laura si tiene alguna pregunta al 720-972-5176 o/a laura.bowman@adams12.org

Cougar News Spirit Night - Dine Out

TMS is excited to bring monthly spirit night - dine out fundraisers for our school for the 23/24 school year. Please join us and be on the look out for more details!



Tuesday May 14th 3-9pm Northglenn - Texas Roadhouse

Our Spirit Nights have been super sucessful! We appreciate your support!





FLEX

AT FLEX LAB STUDENTS IN **GRADES 6TH-**12TH CAN RECEIVE AFTER-SCHOOL **ACADEMIC** SUPPORT FROM **OUR ADAMS 12 TEACHERS**

NO FEE TO ATTEND!

STUDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND ANY OF THESE LOCATIONS!

THORNTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

9451 HOFFMAN WAY THORNTON, CO 80229

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 4PM - 6PM

SHADOW RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

12551 HOLLY ST. THORNTON, CO 80241

NORTHGLENN MIDDLE SCHOOL

1123 MURIEL DR. NORTHGLENN, CO 80233

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

SILVER HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

12400 HURON ST WESTMINSTER, CO 80234

MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS

4PM - 6PM

4:30PM - 6:30PM

THORNTON HIGH SCHOOL

9351 WASHINGTON ST. THORNTON, CO 80229

MONDAYS, TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 3:30PM - 5:30PM

ASK YOUR COUNSELOR OR DEAN FOR A REFERRAL.

A PERMISSION FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE YOU CAN ATTEND!

BRING YOUR CHROMEBOOK AND ANY MATERIALS YOU MAY NEED FOR YOUR CLASS. SNACKS AND DRINKS PROVIDED!

CONTACT LISLE REED AT

QUESTIONS?



LISLE.M.REED @ADAMS12.ORG



School Supply List

- Chromebook
 - (District Issued)
- Chromebook charger
 - (District Issued)
- Notebooks
- Pencils



Any additional items needed will be outlined in teacher syllabus during the first two weeks of school



Thornton Middle School follows the district student dress code.

Thornton Middle School shirts will NOT be required.
Policy updated 08/2022.

TMS Dress Code



ATTENDANCE



Contact Information:

Attendance Line - 720-972-5198

Nancy Bender - Attendance Secretary 720-972-5169 -Nancy.L.Bender@adams12.org

If your student arrives more than five minutes late for school, please have them stop at the Attendance Office to get a late pass. They should do this as soon as they walk in the school building. The reason this is an important step is to make sure that your student's attendance is updated and corrected.

Checking Your Student Out Early



We understand that there will be times you will need to check out your student from school early. When doing this you MUST come inside to the main office window to sign them out. You will need a **picture ID** and you must be on the authorized pick-up list for the student you are checking out in the Infinite Campus system.



Apply Now for Free and Reduced Benefits



Free and reduced benefits help families and your school.

Families are encouraged to apply for free and reduced benefits for the upcoming school year. By applying for free and reduced benefits families receive assistance and they help your child's school too.

Here's how. By applying:

- Your child's school can receive additional funding to enhance the educational experience for all students.
- School fees can be waived or reduced. These include athletic fees, course fees and activity and field trip fees tied to curriculum.
- Students in grades 9-12 can receive assistance with post-graduation planning, scholarships, state and national testing (including SAT, ACT, Advanced
- Placement and International Baccalaureate), and post-secondary enrollment.
- Families can qualify for additional resources, such as medical, food and
- · cash assistance.
- Families can receive support with community services, such as internet, gym memberships, passes to museums and cultural events.



Families must reapply for free and reduced benefits each new school year. You will receive your eligibility letter in the mail or by email. United States citizenship or immigration status is not a condition of eligibility for free and reduced benefits.

Ouestions or for a paper application, contact nutritionmealbenefit@adams12.org or (720) 972-4195



Time/Day Changes for 2023-2024 School Year

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Middle School Hours

Monday - Friday:

8:40 a.m. to 3:50 p.m.

No more EARLY RELEASE DAYS





The School Accountability Committee (SAC) is an opportunity for parents and community members to have a voice in the continuous school improvement process.

This team of volunteers meets with one or more teacher representatives and the building principal or designee at least four times per year to review school data, discuss the school improvement plan, provide recommendations about spending priorities and promote parent and community engagement. Members of the team learn about the important work of the school and offer insight and feedback.

Still time to join this committee. Please contact Ms. Murphy if you are interested in more information!

Contact Sue Murphy for more information! Email - <u>mur017182@adams12.org</u>



Thornton Middle School Spirit Wear!

THORNTON SPIRIT WEAR STORE



Show Your Cougar Pride!

Excited to share this opportunity with our TMS students and families.

Please visit the link to check out all of the great TMS Spirit Wear available to our community.

Order online and have your order shipped directly to your home.

Store Link:

https://1stplacespiritwear.com/schools/CO/Thornton/Thornton+Middle+School



Adams 12 Five Star Schools

2023-2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR

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8.7-8.11	Staff Workdays
8.14	First Day of Sc

9.4	NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
9.5	NO SCHOOL - Staff Workday
10.6	NO SCHOOL - Staff Workday
10.13	End of Quarter 1
10.16-10.20	NO SCHOOL - Fall Break
11.10	NO SCHOOL - Veterans Day Observed
11.20-11.21	NO SCHOOL - Staff Comp Days
11.22-11.24	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break
12.4	NO SCHOOL - Staff Workday
12.21	End of Quarter 2
12.22	NO SCHOOL - Staff Workday
12.25-1.5	NO SCHOOL - Winter Break
1.8	NO SCHOOL - Staff Workday
1.15	NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
2.2	NO SCHOOL - Staff Workday

2.19-2.21 NO SCHOOL - Mid-Winter Break 2.22-2.23 NO SCHOOL - Staff Comp Days 3.11 NO SCHOOL - Staff Workday 3.15 End of Quarter 3

4.1-4.5	NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
4.15	NO SCHOOL - Staff Workday*
	*High schools may pick a different day in April
5.6	NO SCHOOL - Staff Workday*

	*High schools may pick a different day in May
5.27	NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day

5.30	Last Day of School / End of Qua
5.31	Staff Last Day

= End of quarter

DISTRICT STAFF:

Please visit staff portal for schedules staff.adams12.org/calendars



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Subject to revision

Revised: April 26, 2023



Adams 12 Five Star Schools

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8.14	Primer día de clases
9.4	NO HAY CLASES - Día del trabajo
9.5	NO HAY CLASES - Día de trabajo para el personal
10.6	NO HAY CLASES - Día de trabajo para el personal
10.13	Fin del primer trimestre
10.16-10.20	NO HAY CLASES - Vacaciones de otoño
11.10	NO HAY CLASES - Vacaciones de otoño
11.20-11.21	NO HAY CLASES - Día de compensación del persona
11.22-11.24	NO HAY CLASES - Vacaciones del día de acción de gracias
12.4	NO HAY CLASES - Día de trabajo para el personal
12.21	Fin del segundo trimestre
12.22	NO HAY CLASES - Día de trabajo para el personal
12.25-1.5	NO HAY CLASES - Vacaciones de invierno
1.8	NO HAY CLASES - Día de trabajo para el personal
1.15	NO HAY CLASES - Día de Martin Luther King Jr.
2.2	NO HAY CLASES - Día de trabajo para el personal
2.19-2.21	NO HAY CLASES - Vacaciones a mediados del invierr
2.22-2.23	NO HAY CLASES - Día de compensación del personal
3.11	NO HAY CLASES - Día de trabajo para el personal
3.15	Fin del tercer trimestre
4.1-4.5	NO HAY CLASES - Vacaciones de primavera
4.15	NO HAY CLASES - Día de trabajo para el personal* (Las preparatorias pueden escoger un día diferente en el mes de abril)
5.6	NO HAY CLASES- Día de trabajo para el personal* (Las preparatorias pueden escoger un día diferente en el

NO HAY CLASES - Día de conmemoración Último día de clases / Fin del cuarto trimestre Último día para el personal licenciado

= Fin de trimestre

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Sujeto a revisión

Aprobado: 26 de abril de 2023



Stay Connected

Thornton Middle School



TMS Website
TMS Facebook
TMS Instagram



Infinite Campus - Parent Portal



Did you know that Parent Engagement has a direct correlation to student success?

Students with engaged parents are more likely to have higher self-esteem, lower absenteeism and earn high grades or test scores. So what are you waiting for? Log into Campus Parent and get engaged today!

PARENT FAVORITES:

- Accessing student grades
- Give that praise and encouragement for that A or B they studied hard for!
- · Review attendance and absences
- Get real-time notifications if your student is absent
- · Seeing assignments due or upcoming exams

Connect Today

Campus Parent can be accessed on the web (login information is received from your district), using the Campus Parent mobile app.

- Link #1 Adams 12 Parent Portal Signup to create Infinite Account
- Link #2 Access Infinite Campus and change Password
- Link #3 Infinite Campus Video how to access IC for Parents, Grades, Attendance, etc



Free Counseling Sessions for Youth



The Office of Behavioral Health has launched **IMatter**, a program to provide up to three free counseling sessions for Colorado youth, as a part of House Bill 21-1258(more information below). Parents can sign up and get resources and therapy sessions for their child. Youth, ages 12-18, can sign up for mental health sessions. Check out this article from **Chalkbeat for more information**. You can order I Matter materials free of charge through this **form**.

The Colorado Office of Behavioral Health and its partners have launched IMatter, a program that provides up to three free counseling sessions for Colorado youth.

Get Connected

Youth and their parents can visit the I Matter platform to take a confidential online survey about their mental health and schedule sessions with a licensed behavioral health clinician, primarily online over telehealth. All Colorado youth ages 18 or younger—or 21 and younger if receiving special education services—are eligible to receive free services.

Contact Information

- For general inquiries about the program, contact elizabeth.owens@state.co.us.
- To inquire about being a provider within the program, contact providers@imattercolorado.org.
- To receive help with the website or support in scheduling a session, email support@imattercolorado.org.

Free/Reduced Benefits

Apply now for meal benefits for the 2023/2024 school year. We are asking all families to apply to support potential funding or benefits that go beyond meals. Remember all families must reapply every year.

Apply today at www.adams12.org/myschoolapps. Please be sure to submit an application. Your household's free and reduced-price lunch program (school meals) application can help your family access discounted internet and phone costs and secure additional funds for your school. If your household qualifies for school meals, you might also qualify for P-EBT.