

The Red Tail Review

Tamalpais High School Newsletter

From the Principal's Perch

With great enthusiasm the 2018-19 school year has commenced. This past week our admin team visited every classroom and observed many impressive examples of teachers building learning communities and setting high expectations for student achievement. This year the staff at Tam is committed to being "game changers", working to help all students reach their greatest potential.

As we enter the month of September, I would like to highlight some changes that I believe will benefit our students throughout the school year. Firstly, our student community has responded well to our new cell phone policy. During all classes cell phones must be in silent or sleep mode and placed in a cell phone caddy, unless the teacher gives permission for phones to be used for academic purposes. Of course, accommodations can be made for medical reasons. We are hoping that the change in cell phone policy will eliminate distractions in the classroom and allow students to engage in instruction for the duration of the period. Let's keep the positive momentum moving forward.

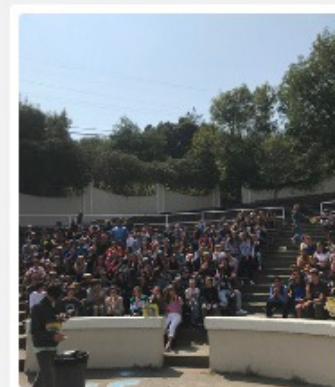
Secondly, we are emphasizing citizenship and timeliness. With freedom comes responsibility. As students continue to enjoy off-campus privileges, at lunch, it is critically important that they respect the surrounding businesses and community. We also want to emphasize a timely return. Our teachers work hard to create great lessons and we want to honor that work by ensuring that students are in class at the beginning of each period.



Game Changers -



Community



Link Crew

Parent Engagement

Please join me in giving the Tam High PTSA a round of applause. The PTSA was instrumental in helping with securing volunteers for the Link Crew Orientation BBQ, schedule distribution, and the back to Tam Beautification day. We are thankful for the parent contribution to starting the school year smoothly and will continue to work collaboratively with the PTSA to promote "Tam-unity".

The Tam High Foundation has also been busy. The Foundation has begun its small grant cycle supporting the Tam High staff with innovative grants that support all students. To make your contribution to the Tam High Foundation you can see the Tam High Foundation link on our web page or e-mail info@tamhighfoundation.org

Peer Tutoring

For those that are seeking additional assistance in Mathematics, peer tutoring is available Tuesday's and Thursday's from 3:30-5:00pm in the Tam Library. Math teacher Mei-Ling Portugues Brennan will be there to help provide the support for students needing the support.

Parking

As our enrollment continues to grow, parking on campus will be limited. I am strongly suggesting that students carpool or seek alternative means of transportation. Please do not park in the Safeway parking lot. Safeway has hired private security leaving potential for cars to be towed if parked illegally. In respect to our neighbors on Gomez, we also want to make sure that cars are parked in legal position. Again, we want to be respectful to our neighbors so we are imploring you to consider alternative means of transportation, to and from school.

Counseling Corner

Counselors will be busy in September! Counselors will focus on reaching out to students who need extra support feeling engaged at Tam and connecting students to our many resources. We will be visiting 9th grade classrooms to introduce ourselves and inviting students come get to know us. Counselors are also gearing up to work with 12th graders to help plan for life after college and make sure all I's are dotted and T's are crossed.

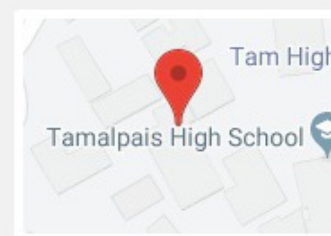
Back to School Night

When

Thursday, Sep. 6th, 6pm

Where

700 Miller Avenue Mill Valley, CA



[Get Directions](#)

More information

Join us for Back to School Night on Thursday September 6th beginning at 6:00pm in Gus Gym. Come out to meet our staff and hear about our educational program. One change to BTSN is the addition of Food Trucks! Beginning at 5:00pm in front of Guy Gym, there will be several trucks with food available for purchase.



Back to School Night 2018!



Opening Remarks



Food Trucks on Campus



J.C. Farr, Principal



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