

The Red Tail Review

Tamalpais High School Newsletter

From the Principal's Perch

Greetings students, parents and the Greater Tam Community,

By now we hope that you have received and read the opening of school letter sent Friday, July 31st. Please take some time to read through the contents of the letter and utilize the information at your discretion. We also hope that you have taken a few moments to read through the communication sent by Superintendent Taupier on July 27th. The communication from Dr. Taupier contains pertinent information regarding the intentions of the district to support distance learning and conversations about race. There are several links in the e-mail that provide additional support information. Familiarizing yourself with the information will help to address many of the questions you may have. At Tam, we have the intention of being in consistent communication with parents to support our ongoing efforts, as well as address the many changes in response to COVID 19 that are passed down via the county and state. We look forward to working with all stakeholders to meet our individual and collective goals.

DISTANCE LEARNING TIPS FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

We are approximately two weeks away from the beginning of school. We would like to offer a few suggestions to parents to guide your work with your student during distance learning: We ask that you consider these offering in preparation of the start of the school year:

1. Make space for learning

Your student will achieve their best work in a quiet, comfortable and dedicated learning space. If possible, this space is different than the space they watch television or play games.

2. Plan your work and work your plan

Good planning can relieve stress for both students and parents. Check-in with your kids about their plans and help them develop a written schedule not only for the day, but for the week. Help them prioritize and learn to create goals, tasks, and deadlines, just like adults do when they go to work.

3. Support a healthy digital life

Support your student by having discussions around how to be a good digital learner and digital citizen.

4. Stay in touch

Teachers will mainly be communicating regularly through Google Classroom and/or Canvas. Make sure your student knows how to find the help they need to be successful. Help them practice communicating with teachers when they need clarification. Feel free to contact us as well if you have questions.

5. Begin and end the day by checking-in

- What classes/subject do you have today?
- What can I do to help? What resources do you need?
- How far did you get in your learning tasks today?
- What did you discover? What was hard?
- What could we do to make tomorrow better?

6. Encourage physical activity and fun!

Living and working at home, we will all need some room to let off steam. Moving is vital to health, well-being, and readiness for learning.

7. Show empathy

Allow yourself, your children, and their teachers some latitude and grace during these unprecedented times. Acknowledge this is not an ideal situation for anyone and give yourself permission to be flexible.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Staff/Dept meeting 8:30-9:30	Period 0 7:10-8:25		Period 0 7:10-8:25	
Period 1 9:40-10:10	Period 1 8:30-9:45	Period 5 8:30-9:45	Period 1 8:30-9:45	Period 5 8:30-9:45
Period 2 10:20-10:50	Period 2 9:55-11:10	Mandatory Support 9:55-11:10	Period 2 9:55-11:10	Mandatory Support 9:55-11:10
Period 3 11:00-11:30	Lunch 11:10-11:50	Lunch 11:10-11:50	Lunch 11:10-11:50	Lunch 11:10-11:50
Period 4 11:40-12:10	Period 3 11:55-1:10	Period 6 11:55-1:10	Period 3 11:55-1:10	Period 6 11:55-1:10
Lunch 12:10-12:45	Period 4 1:20-2:35	Period 7 1:20-2:35	Period 4 1:20-2:35	Period 7 1:20-2:35
Period 5 12:55-1:25		Period 8 2:40-3:55	PD/Collaboration 2:40-3:40	Period 8 2:40-3:55
Period 6 1:35-2:05	Notes: • Monday's will be used to share the weekly learning plan. • If/when we are able to switch to a hybrid model, we could move to an A/B rotation with Monday remaining virtual. T/W rotation A, TH/F rotation B.			
Period 7 2:15-2:45				
Period 0/8 2:55-3:25				



Admin Team (Pre-
COVID Photos):
Ms. Hatton, Mr.
Snow, Mr. Farr and
Ms. McLachlan

Office Team Ready
to Go (Pre-COVID)!

Tam Swag



Forum on Race and Racism in the Tam District
Wednesday, August 5th, 6pm

Forum Topics

- Campus Climate, Culture, and Responses to Incidents*
- Professional Learning*

Norms

- Stay Engaged*
- Experience Discomfort*
- Speak Your Truth*
- Expect and Accept Non-closure*

This open meeting for the public will serve as a listening session for feedback that will be used to inform our action plan for addressing racism on our campuses.

Zoom Link: <https://tinyurl.com/y4zo24j9> **Passcode:** 169412

 **TAMALPAIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

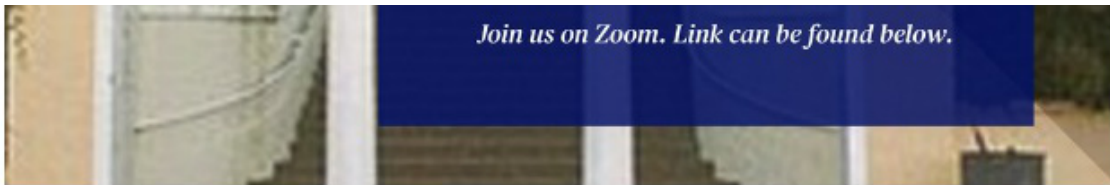


Friday August 14, 2020 10:00am

**9th Grade
Parent Welcome**

**Meet Tam's
Administrative Team
and
Hear from our community
support partners:**

**Tam's PTSA
Tam High Foundation
Tam Boosters**



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Click here for Parent Orientation Zoom link

Upcoming CTE Dates

Show Dates for CTE for 2020-2021

October 8-12: "Wilde Nights" Fairs Tales of Oscar Wilde,
directed by Julianna Rees and Kate Barnett

Nov 6-10: "Noise" by CTE alumna Tessa Saito King, Directed by Ben Cleaveland, new play

November: 24 Hour Playwriting Festival Fundraiser

Dec 1-5: "Destination, Missouri" Directed & Devised by Jarrell Iu-Hui Chua and Bob Ernst, and written
by Dwight Bellissimo & Averie Ledger

January 16: Classic Winter One Act Festival

Feb 2-6: The Improv Show directed by Regina Saisi

March 19-23: Macbeth by William Shakespeare, adapted by Julianna Rees
& directed by Ben Cleaveland

April: Improv-a-thon Fundraiser

April 27-May 1: The Importance of Being Earnest by Oscar Wilde & Chekhov's Fancy by Anton
Chekhov, directed by Susan Brashear & Julianna Rees

May 17: Spring Student Written One Act Festival

Upcoming Dates

August 12-14: Back to Pick-up/Drop-off

August 14: 9th Grade Orientation and Webinar for parents

August 18 @ 3:00 pm: Home Access will be open

August 19: First Day of School



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