

Tiger NewsBytes

Terra Nova High School E-Newsletter, September 7th, 2021

Principal's Message

Dear families,

Terra Nova is set to officially launch our Flex Time this Thursday.

Over the past week, I had the chance to visit most of our classes and I heard firsthand the hopes and concerns our students have for this school year, which is the desire to do well. Coupled with our commitment to meeting our students where they are at, there is no denying that our flex time couldn't come at a better time.

Please take a moment to review our Flex Time program and discuss it with your student(s). They have had two days of training with their teachers and are familiar with what the program and what is expected of them going forward. Your familiarity will not just help Thursday be a smooth experience but it will also help ensure the overall program is a success.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me or any of the Terra Nova Vice Principals.

Thank you for your continued support,

Megan Carey
Principal

What is Flex Time?

Flex Time is a 30 minute academic period two days a week where all students are given an opportunity to meet with TN staff to work on academic activities, access interventions and effectively manage their own learning.

FlexTime activities are expected to support student's academics. These activities may include but are not limited to: make-up exams, test corrections, additional student support, designated quiet work time, essay writing, group work/collaboration time, individual work, and study hall.

When is Flex Time?

Flex Time will take place on Tuesdays & Thursdays. On these days, we will follow our flex time bell schedule.

Suggestions for what students may use FlexTime for:

- Making up or starting homework
- Getting help from a teacher

- Studying
- Writing essays
- Talking to Counselors or the College/Career Counselors
- Working on group projects

FlexTime is not a period for:

- Extended lunch
- Socialization with friends
- Hanging out
- Sleeping
- Club meetings, ASB activities or sports practices

Where do students go during Flex Time?

Students must attend flex time with:

- A current teacher in their schedule
- Library
- College & Career Center
- Counselor
- Wellness Counselor
- School Social Worker

The Counseling Department is planning to use flex time to offer targeted support to students in such areas as mindfulness, positive coping strategies, time management, and various topics related to college and career exploration.

How does it work?

Students are expected to make an appointment using the TeachMore software for where they wish to spend their flex time. The Teachmore software is a web-based application and students can access it by using their school login information via their phone or a school device in the library, main office or the classroom.

Teachers may send an appointment request if they would like to work with a student. These appointments are mandatory. If a student receives multiple requests for the same day, the teachers and student will communicate.

Appointments must be made by lunch the day before flex. If an appointment is not made, students will be assigned a flextime location.

Students receive an email notification of the appointment and it will also appear when they log into TeachMore.

When students enter flex time, their attendance will be taken using their school id card through the TeachMore program. During flex time, students will not be allowed to meet with another teacher or go to another location. Hall passes and bathroom passes will be strongly discouraged.

Important Information to Know:

- Attendance is mandatory. Failure to attend will result in consequences.
- Flex Time Attendance will not be visible through Synergy. Administration will monitor attendance and communicate concerns with the student and parent/guardian.
- TN continues to be a closed campus during FlexTime.
- School rules and classroom behavior expectations still apply.

- Electronic devices should be used for academic purposes only and are at the discretion of the FlexTime staff member.
 - When electronic device use is permitted, the device should not be distracting to others.
- Teachers may designate flex days for specific activities. Students should pay attention to this information and make the appropriate choices for their learning needs.
- Violation of classroom expectations may result in discipline consequences.
- School computers and devices will be reserved for academic purposes only. Students will not be permitted to play games, update social media etc.
- Student signups will be monitored so that students cannot sign up for the same location the entire semester.

CAMPUS NEWS

Current events, news and other updates
from around campus



Terra Nova Times!!!!

The first issue of the Terra Nova Times, our school newspaper, comes out on September 7th. If you would like a copy, please ask your student to bring one home. They're free! If you have a small business that would like to advertise, we would love to work with you. Please email terranovanewsgroup@gmail.com for our rate sheet.

PAPER: 24-7 Online & Live Tutoring Program for ALL Students

With the support of the district, we are offering PAPER to all students again this school year.

PAPER

PAPER is a 24-7, online tutoring program where students can get on-demand live chat assistance with expert tutors in multiple subjects including writing support.

Students are able to login to PAPER using their school username/password at <https://app.paper.co/login/student>.

They will receive help within seconds in multiple subjects. Students can also submit any written work, including essays, lab reports, research papers or college application essays. Tutors provide detailed notes on grammar, structure and content. Work is even checked for missed citations or plagiarism.

For more details on this wonderfully supportive tool, please watch the following videos:

- PAPER For Parents & Guardians: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=25PNV2qUcOE>
- How Does PAPER Help Students: <https://youtu.be/INsH9J6hYN4>
- How Do Students Get Help on PAPER: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=34rrrIA9DAg>

- How PAPER Help with Essays: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o8K57rSMYkE>



Sam Trans Bus passes for sale!!!!

September Sam Trans Bus Passes will be on sale Monday, **August 30th until September 13th.**

They cost \$22. If you write a check, please make it out to Terra Nova High School

Sex Ed Squad!

Are you interested in helping your peers learn more about safe sex and healthy relationships? Want to learn more about sexuality and gender identity? Join sex ed squad today! You'll make new friends, get free hoodies & food, and gain points on your resume! We meet Wednesdays after school. Apply online at tinyurl.com/squadapp21 - applications are due Sept. 10th!!

SEX ED SQUAD

WANT TO:

~Meet cool people?

~Learn about interesting topics?

*healthy relationships, gender & sexuality & more!

GET FREE SWAG !!

MEETING AFTER SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY

Apply By: **9/10**

tinyurl.com/squadapp21

~or~

Scan
for
Apply



Food Services Update

All students may get one free breakfast and one free lunch each day by providing their student ID number at the register in the cafeteria. Snacks will be available for purchase soon. For students who would like to purchase snack items, money can be added to the student account with the "My School Bucks" link below.

Cafeteria menus are accessible via the [district website](#). Please note that all menus are subject to change due to supply issues nationwide.



SCHOOL FUNDING DEPENDS ON FREE/REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATIONS

Jefferson Union High School District receives funding based on the number of students that qualify for Free/Reduced Meal program applications. Since the 2021-2022 school year meal program is serving meals at no cost to all students, it is still important for families to complete the [free/reduced lunch application](#). Applications are due September 25th.

GET INVOLVED

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.
- Helen Keller

Terra Nova Education Foundation: September Meeting

TNEF is holding their monthly meeting this Thursday via Zoom. The link is below.

Our current funding initiatives are supporting college & career planning needs of our students such as college preparedness, career readiness, access to career fairs and college tours, just to name a few. Your support is vital in making our school a success.

We offer four areas where you can help.

1. **REGISTER** -To receive regular updates, register here or by phone, text **TIGERS** to **56512**
2. **PROMOTE** - Like us on Facebook and Instagram
3. **DONATE** - Didn't get a chance to donate?
4. **VOLUNTEER** - It takes a community. We cannot do it without you, please volunteer

What we're about - [Terra Nova Education Foundation](#)

Stay informed - [register here](#) for TNEF information or text **TIGERS** to **56512**

Please join the following Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84302103420?pwd=TnlhZHVtZjFtNWxjWlVja1FTUG1ZUT09>

Meeting ID: **843 0210 3420**

Passcode: **hz13m9Z9**

COUNSELING CORNER

Messages from the counseling department.



SCHEDULE A TIME TO MEET WITH YOUR COUNSELOR!

Mrs. Lozowski

last names A-LA



Ms. Hutcheon

last names LE-Z



Ms. Spasic

college & career center



*If you run into any issues with the QR codes, you are
always welcome to drop by the counseling offices*

TERRA NOVA HIGH SCHOOL

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE WELLNESS TEAM

Wellness Counselor: Ms. Calpotura-Wagner
(Ms. C)

Social Worker: Gilbert Gammand

Wellness Counselor Intern: Ms. Rosebaum
(Ms. R)

***IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS ABOUT YOUR CHILD
AND WOULD LIKE SOMEONE FROM THE WELLNESS
TEAM TO CHECK IN WITH THEM, PLEASE SCAN THIS
QR CODE AND MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO SPEAK
WITH US.***



Scan Here



Congresswoman Jackie Speier



MILITARY ACADEMY INFORMATION NIGHT



**Wednesday, September 8th
5:00 p.m.**

Register:

**[https://forms.gle/Uf9CXX
vd7aceoKvU9](https://forms.gle/Uf9CXXvd7aceoKvU9)**

A zoom link and password will be
sent to registered participants the
morning of the event.

LEARN ABOUT:

- United States Service Academies
- Academy Application Process
- Congressional Academy Nominations



LISTEN TO REPRESENTATIVES FROM:

- U.S. Air Force Academy
- U.S. Naval Academy
- U.S. Military Academy at West Point
- U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
- U.S. Coast Guard Academy

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WEBINAR

CA-COVID-19 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS

Financial assistance available for renters who have been impacted by COVID-19 and have past due rent or utilities.

- 100% past due rent and utilities can be paid for up to 12 months.
- Simple online application process with minimal paperwork.
- Can be paid directly to the landlord.

- Thur, Sept. 9th 2021 at 2PM
- Sat, Sept. 18th 2021 at 10AM
- Wed, Sept. 22nd 2021 at 6PM

- Email HousingCA@dcpartnership.org or call (650) 991-8007 to register.



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**TERRA NOVA HIGH SCHOOL
CONFIDENTIAL SAFETY TIPLINE**



TIGERS ALWAYS PROTECT THEIR OWN



**SEE SOMETHING?
HEAR SOMETHING?
REPORT IT
CONFIDENTIALLY!**

Bullying/Cyberbullying/Harassment
Suicidal or Self Harm Threats
Violence/Abuse/Discrimination
Theft/Drug/Alcohol/Vaping
Or anything that impacts campus safety!

TNTIGERTIPS@GMAIL.COM



**SOLIDARITY IN
STUDENT SAFETY**

