

Junior High Announcements

October 24, 2024



ALL TCA PARENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parents, please pass along this invitation to TCA Grandparents:

Grandparents of TCA Coffee & Connections Event

WHEN?

Friday, November 1, 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

WHERE?

TCA North Commons (cafeteria) and Brown Center for the Arts (auditorium).

WHAT?

- Coffee and breakfast snacks
 - Meet TCA Staff and other grandparents
 - "A Titan's Creed" Session on the words that guide our days together

WHY?

We count it a great privilege to partner with multiple generations of our TCA families and want Grandparents to have a chance to engage with TCA and each other.

RSVP

Respond by October 30 to Lindy Keffer, TCA Advancement Lkeffer@asd20.org or 719-488-6213.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

As TCA continues to support the Wreaths Across America Program, there are several ways you can participate. TCA Families can donate a wreath to be placed at Memorial Gardens Cemetery (deadline Nov. 30th) or volunteer for the wreath laying ceremony on Saturday, December 14th. Please click wreathsacrossamerica.org/co0024 for more information.

Titan Club – If you missed us at any of the Back-To-School nights – we'd still love to have your family join Titan Club for 2024-2025. Click [here](#) for more info

TCA ATHLETIC GAME SAFETY

All Elementary and Junior High students who attend TCA athletic events must sit with an adult during the event for supervision purposes. Unfortunately, we have noticed types of behavior that could lead to injury or students getting in trouble. We desire to promote a safe atmosphere for all spectators; thus, ***no personal sporting or toy ball of any kind will be allowed into events.*** We thank you for your partnership in this endeavor.

HEALTHY MEALS FOR ALL

Healthy Meals for All will begin in the 2023-24 school year. For more information, [Colorado Healthy School Meals for All program](#) .

Program Student Fees Assistance

For more information <https://www.asd20.org/nutrition-and-food-services/free-and-reduced/>.

TCA North Campus Carpool -This system works efficiently if we all do our part. Following these guidelines will make our peak traffic times both efficient and safe for all. For more information [click here](#)

TCA's Mental Health Resources Page

TCA realizes the importance of mental health and has created a page of resources for parents and students to utilize. [Click here to view the page.](#) This link can also be found under the "Helpful Links" at the bottom of each page on this website and under the "Family" tab at the top of the page.

The Palmarium:

The seventy-ninth volume of the [PALMARIUM](#) is provided for your review. This volume includes highlights on Titan of the Year, Ronald McDonald House, *Beyond the Book Club*, the Junior Year

Hero Project, and a couple articles on our Educational Philosophy.

TCA SUBSTITUTES NEEDED:

Types of jobs available: Teacher, Tutor, Office/Kiosk/Health Room, Test Proctoring

Requirements:

TEACHER: Bachelor's degree in any subject **or** HS Diploma + CDE Substitute Teacher Authorization

PARAPROFESSIONAL: High School Diploma or GED

OFFICE/KIOSK/HEALTH ROOM: High School Diploma/GED and additional training in the specific area

PROCTORING: Bachelor's degree in any subject and additional training in the specific area

To apply, please visit TCA's employment site at <https://www.applitrack.com/tcad20/onlineapp/> and submit an application for Substitute

NAVY/CRIMSON A/B Rotation This Week

Monday: Crimson

Tuesday: Navy

Wednesday: Crimson

Thursday: Navy

Friday: Crimson

NEW:

Library News:

Time is running out to submit your 6-word scary story. Friday, October 25th is the last day for submissions. Voting begins the week of October 28th. Come to the library to vote for your favorites!

The story walk has been *Swapped*. Meet *Bruce* as you check out the new story that begins next to the club bulletin board.

ACTIVITIES

Thursday, October 24th

- 3:45- IM Boys' Basketball Game @ TCA Aux. Gym

Friday, October 25th

- 3:30- Fast-Pitch Softball Home vs. Elizabeth (Early Release- 2:45)
- 3:30- Slow-Pitch Softball @ Elizabeth CANCELLED

Announcements

- Winter Sports Registration is open for JH Girls' Basketball and will close on November 11th .

FROM MR. POLLARD

We are excited to join high school as they celebrate Homecoming Week with our own Junior High School Spirit Week. Each day has a fun dress-up theme, but our themes are not the same as high school.

Of course, you may still wear your regular TCA uniform pants and shirts, but if you want to participate, this is an opportunity to show your creative side. We want you to have fun while keeping in mind TCA's school culture and your responsibilities to it.

Please remember that any outfit you wear must be modest and should still support the scholarly atmosphere of the classroom.

1. Blue Jeans are permitted every day this week

1. Remember: *All* clothes including jeans must be free of rips, tears, and holes.
2. Our standard guidelines for skirts and shorts apply: skirts should be long enough that they touch the top of the kneecap when standing, and shorts should be no shorter than 4" from the top of the kneecap.
3. Hats and/or sunglasses that are part of your outfit may be worn before and after school but must be removed during the school day.
4. Pajamas, "onesies", and other sleepwear are not permitted
5. Body suits or other skin-tight clothing are not permitted.
6. Face paint/face tattoos are not permitted.

Our guidelines for T-shirts and other printed items are that they should not include slogans or statements, though the names of sports teams, bands, dance studios, chess clubs, etc. are permitted. If you have a question about a particular item or outfit, please visit with Mr. Pollard ahead of time.

Monday, October 28: Dress like a teacher day: Honor a teacher you have had or do have or wish to have or even be someday!

Tuesday, October 29: Tuesday Twin-day - Dress like another person here at school or somewhere else, even!

Wednesday, October 30: Athletics, Activities, Music, and Teams Day - wear a shirt or jersey of an activity or sport you are involved in or are a fan of (Academic, Music, Sports, Dance, Equestrian, etc.)

Thursday, October 31: Class Colors: 7th Grade's class color is Black; 8th Grade's class color is White (Your BOOT Camp Shirt works wonderfully for this day). You can also wear a TCA Friday-wear shirt. **No Halloween Costumes are Permitted!**

Yearbook UPDATE:

2/3 of our yearbooks are already sold, and ½ of our ad space is gone. Don't wait! Order today!

Ordering site: <https://www.yearbookordercenter.com>.

Code: 16022.

You can also get your 8th grade ads here, as well! Ads are filled in the order they are purchased, and space is limited.

Yearbook needs nature photos taken by students!

Some yearbook pages will feature student photos this year!

Next up is the **WINTER DIVIDER!**

Sometime outside of school, go out in nature and snap a photo of something that has WINTER written all over it. The photo should be a horizontal image and not have any people in it.

This photo can be taken on a cell phone, but if an actual camera can be used, that's best! Once you have your photo, submit it using the instructions below.

As always, our yearbook staff would covet any photos you're willing to share with us (**especially 7th grade social, and things students do outside of school**)! The staff is made up of busy high

school students, so we rely heavily on your contribution of photos to get the book produced! You can share photos by visiting: <https://hjeshare.com/eShare/home> Enter code: tcajh (case sensitive)

OR

Download the eShare app wherever you get your apps! Code is the same. Please include relevant identification information when submitting photos.

Thank you for supporting the yearbook!

REPEAT:

FROM MR. POLLARD

****Locker Decoration Announcement - TCA Junior High****

Due to the increased cleanup required from locker decorations, we are making adjustments to what is allowed on lockers. Only ****TCA-issued nameplates, approved TCA sports team magnets,**** and ****birthday decorations**** may remain on lockers.

Thank you for helping us keep our school clean and organized!

JH COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT:

It's that time of year again! The time has come for TCA Junior High to participate in a community service project for our local Hope and Home, foster care agency. We have a chance to fill decorated shoe boxes with small gifts, books, treats, and practical items for teenagers who are in the foster care system for the holiday season. We are asking each student to contribute a gift(s) to their flex class shoe box. Here are some ideas of items that you could contribute.

We will be collecting these items from now until December 13th.

See attached list of ideas for our collection for care packages for Hope and Home:

[About Hope & Home - Reinventing Foster Care in Colorado \(hopeandhome.org\)](http://hopeandhome.org)

From Mr. Pollard:

If your padlock is giving you trouble, please check in with Mr. Pollard

These are some ideas of things you might fill your
Team Hope Christmas Shoebox with:

WRITE



Pens/Pencils
Crayons
Paper/Copy Books
Colouring Books
Markers
Sharpeners
Erasers

WASH



Soap (wrapped)
Hairbrush
Comb
Toothbrush
Toothpaste
Facecloth

WEAR



Socks
Underwear
Flip Flops
Hat
Scarf
Gloves

WOW



Cuddly Toy
Skipping rope/Yo-yo
Sweets (in date until April next year)
Musical Instrument
Sunglasses
Toy Car
Doll
Ball

WHAT NOT TO INCLUDE:

Please do not send liquids (shampoo, bubbles), sharp objects, food/chocolate, books with lots of words, scary items (Halloween, war related, masks, toy snakes), breakables or medicines.

JR. HIGH AFTER SCHOOL LABS

After School Workshop: There are three workshops to assist students who are struggling to complete their homework or need extra support in English, mathematics, or organization. We provide free support in a workshop format with a teacher present four days a week. Please see the schedule below for the workshops available to your child each week.

In addition—the JH Library will be open Monday through Friday until 3:30pm. and all math teachers available in their classrooms until 3:20pm.

Afterschool Support Lab hours 3:05 PM - 4:00 PM

Monday

General Lab - ROOM 3329 Swiontek

Math - all math teachers available in their classrooms until 3:20

JH Library open until 3:30

Tuesday

General Lab - ROOM 3329 Swiontek

English Lab - ROOM 3308 King

Math - all math teachers available in their classrooms until 3:20

JH Library open until 3:30

Wednesday

General Lab - ROOM 3329 Swiontek

Math - all math teachers available in their classrooms until 3:20

JH Library open until 3:30

Thursday

General Lab - ROOM 3329 Swiontek

English Lab - ROOM 3316 Cai

Math - all math teachers available in their classrooms until 3:20

JH Library open until 3:30

Friday

NO WORKSHOPS

JH Library open until 3:30

Parents can call their child who is in workshop on their cell phone or call the General Workshop at 719-488-6222 to let them know that they are here to pick them up.

MONTH AT A GLANCE

November

Friday, November 1 -- NO STUDENTS -- Teacher Inservice

November 25-November 29 -- NO SCHOOL -- THANKSGIVING BREAK

December

December 16 -- 20 -- Finals week 8th gr students and Algebra 1 students

December 21 -- January 7 -- Winter Break --NO SCHOOL

January 2025

January 8 -- Students Return to School

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Non-TCA Sponsored Events



The Classical Academy Junior High

Support Hours:

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Website: http://www.tcatitans.org/schools/junior_high

Location: [975 Stout Road, Colorado Springs, CO, USA](#)

Phone: [719-484-0091](tel:719-484-0091)



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