

Dear Parents and Guardians,

HAPPY SPRING BREAK! Our Toros have trampled through 3/4<sup>th</sup> of our academic year in style. Plans for the 2022-2023 school year are in full swing with our enrollment growing from 1330 to an expected 1900 students with the addition of our 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Our counseling department is completing our final registrations with our rising senior class as well as any student who was missed in grades 9-11. If any of our students or parents have any questions regarding schedules for the new year, please continue to reach out to your specific counselor for guidance or answers.

We enter our 4<sup>th</sup> quarter with lettermen jacket (order now from Sports Corner), prom (Junior tickets on sale March 21 and remaining tickets to 10<sup>th</sup> grade on March 30th), and parking pass sales (on sale now for rising Seniors) to get our herd ready for the new year. Please take some time to review the information listed below to help with your planning and questions. This portion of our year also brings upon high school testing season. Complete assessment calendars will be presented following Spring Break for your planning needs.

I hope you have a wonderful holiday full of joyful times with your family and friends.

Sincerely,

Jay Willets

# **Prom News**

**Location**: Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens **Date:** April 9<sup>th</sup> **Time:** 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm **Dress:** Formal

**Tickets:** \$60 Junior Sale Date: March 21<sup>st</sup> Sophomore Sale Date: (for remaining tix) March 30<sup>th</sup>

**Special Notes:** Applications for Non-TCHS students to attend prom as a guest are available in the Deans Office and MUST be completed prior to receiving tickets

# **News from the TCHS Counseling Office**

#### **REGISTRATION UPDATE:**

The counselors are still meeting individually with students to select their courses for next year and will be finishing with our rising Seniors prior to Spring Break. If your student hasn't been met with yet, we promise that we haven't forgotten about them! Please have your student continue to bring their student request verification sheet to school with them as students will be called out of class to report to the guidance office with their form to select their courses.

**BRAVE SUMMIT** - community service hours are available if you attend!!

Flagler Health+ is hosting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual BRAVE Summit at the St. Augustine Amphitheatre this year for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students. This is a completely FREE event that is focused on fostering mental wellness in our next generation. The Keynote speaker, Johnny Crowder, CEO of Cope Notes, has recorded a call to action video for you to be able to show to your students about the summit. You can find the link for the video below, as well as an attached flyer and the registration link.

Video: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1\_HTLRGQucpuXQt-WnbxQH92NL0m8Qvsw/view?usp=sharing

Registration Link: https://brave-summit-2022.eventbrite.com

#### **DUAL ENROLLMENT:**

Students interested in participating in summer dual enrollment should stop by the Counselor suite to speak with Mrs. Gibbs during A or B lunch. The summer deadline is April 15<sup>th</sup>.

# 2022-23 Parking Passes ON SALE for Seniors NOW(Click Here)

# **Save the Date**

• March 14-18

March 21-April 1<sup>st</sup>

• March 29<sup>th</sup>

March 31<sup>st</sup>

• April 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>

• April 9<sup>th</sup>

• April 11<sup>th</sup>

Spring Break

Junior Parking Pass Sales

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report Cards Post on HAC

Traveling Herd Pep Rally

All Arts Spring Showcase

Sophomore/Junior Prom (Formal)

**UNF Field Trip** 



# **Toro Week at a Glance**

**Monday March 21st** 

4th Quarter Begins

**Junior Prom Tickets On Sale** 

Learners Permit Class Begins – See info below on dates/registration

**Tuesday March 22nd** 

Lettermen Jackets ON SALE -See info below

Wednesday March 23rd

**Arts Booster Meeting – The Hub 6:00PM** 

**Thursday March 24th** 

Military Recruitment Visit - Navy

Friday March 25th

# **Athletics Calendar**

13	14 7:00 PM Baseball VR @ Father Lopez (Daytona Beach)	4:00 PM Baseball JV @ Ridgeview (Orange Park) 6:30 PM Baseball VR @ Ridgeview (Orange Park)	16	17	18	19
20	21 6:00 PM Baseball JV vs Providence (Jacksonville)	22 3:30 PM Tennis, Girls VR vs Menendez (St. Augustine)	23 4:00 PM Weightlifting, Boys VR vs Palatka	24 3:30 PM Tennis, Boys VR vs Clay (Green Cove Springs)	25 TBA Track and Field, Girls VR - Falcon Invitational at	26
		3:30 PM Tennis, Boys VR vs Menendez (St. Augustine) 6:00 PM Baseball VR @ Bishop Kenny (Jacksonville)	6:00 PM Lacrosse, Boys VR @ Father Lopez (Daytona Beach)	6:00 PM Volleyball, Boys VR vs St. Augustine 6:00 PM Baseball VR vs Mandarin (Jacksonville)	Menendez  TBA Track and Field, Boys VR - Falcon Invitational at Menendez	

## **Important Information**

# **TESTING UPDATES**

ACT Non-College Reportable Exam – 11th grade ONLY

This test is for 11<sup>th</sup> grade students who have not met the FSA Grade 10 ELA and/or the Algebra 1 EOC graduation requirement.

The ACT will be offered at Tocoi Creek on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 to 11<sup>th</sup> graders ONLY.

The cost of the ACT exam is \$35.00. Payment can be made via this link in SchoolPay.

Please visit the TCHS Testing Website for more information.

If you have any questions regarding testing, you can email Amanda Lewis, Testing Coordinator

Amanda.Lewis@stjohns.k12.fl.us

## • Attention Prospective Dual Enrollment students:

- o Interested in taking Dual Enrollment over the summer? Next fall? You need test scores! SAT, ACT or PERT will work.
- o All scores must be given to the School Counseling department by April 1st.
- Additional testing information can be found on the School counseling webpage and the Dual Enrollment Schoology group - group code: RCGS-QGPH-RZCG6
- o Please see Mrs. Gibbs, school counselor, for additional information.
- o PERT flyer: <a href="https://www.sjrstate.edu/pdfs/DE-PERTflyer.pdf">https://www.sjrstate.edu/pdfs/DE-PERTflyer.pdf</a>)

## • College/Military Visits

- o College and military visits are being scheduled! The visits are located on the window of the Counselor suite, and on the Schoology School Counselor calendar.
- College visits will be either at 8:45am 9:15am or during Toro time all visits will be in the HUB.
- o All military presentations will take place during Toro time.
- o If a student is interested in attending a college or military presentation, please stop by the Counselors office to receive a pass or get tagged for a Toro time session.
- **Be a Part of TCHS History** Be a part of the TCHS tradition! Tocoi Creek High School is paving the way for new traditions by offering engravable bricks to commemorate student activities and achievements. Does your student play a sport? Are they involved in the Arts? Are they going to be part of our first ever graduating class? Consider purchasing a brick and creating a lifetime memento as the first students at TCHS. Visit TCHS Toro Legacy Brick Fundraiser
- <u>Official TCHS Gear</u>— Visit the OFFICIAL <u>TCHS Toro Team Shop</u> to purchase your spirit gear! Have questions about your order? <u>Call Baker Sporting Goods at 904-388-8126</u> for questions about orders or materials availability. Also visit our OneToro support organizations for other apparel options.

#### Please review the following information and weekly reminders:

<u>Fortify Florida</u> – Do your part to help keep our schools safe. FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. Download your free app for your phone, or reports can be made via the website. Visit <a href="https://getfortifyfl.com/">https://getfortifyfl.com/</a> for more information.

<u>Attendance</u> - We are excited to share that our TCHS Attendance Page is now available on our website. This page will allow you to upload all early dismissal and absentee information digitally, including doctor's notes, so there is no need to turn in any documents to the front office due to an absence. This is the "one stop shop" for everything attendance and is compatible with any computer or phone.

# Please Click Here to Access the TCHS Attendance Information Page on our School Website

After turning in information to the TCHS attendance page, please allow 48 hours for us to process information in HAC. We sincerely appreciate your patience as we work to help you and your student. As always, please do not hesitate to contact the front office at (904) 547-4260 if there is anything that you need.

# <u>Early Student Dismissal – Please review HOW TO CHECK YOUR STUDENT OUT EARLY</u>

- Students are not to be picked up/checked out after 3:00 pm on M,T,TH,F and not after 2:00 pm on Wednesdays unless a Pre-Dismissal Form has been completed.
- Completing the <u>EARLY DISMISSAL FORM</u> allows your student and teacher to be informed of the need for check-out AND makes the process fast and easy for all parents (especially when in a hurry) <u>IMPORTANT</u> If you do not use the <u>EARLY DISMISSAL</u> <u>FORM</u>, then there will be a delay (at times 10-15 minutes) in getting your student from class.
- <u>Dismissal at Lunch-</u> If you need to check your child out during their lunch time please be patient. You are welcome to text your student upon arrival to the school to help speed up the process. Please know that you will still need to come into the school to sign out your child and show proper identification. If you have any questions about attendance, please use the link below. <a href="https://www-tchs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/attendance/">https://www-tchs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/attendance/</a>

<u>Tardies</u> – Students who are late to school (not in 1<sup>st</sup> period by 9:20am), or in their scheduled classroom after the warning bell and class start signal, then they are to report to offices in Bld 1 (first floor) and Bld 4 (first, second and third floor) tardy kiosks where they enter their student ID or scan their digital/hard ID to receive a tardy slip to class, this tardy will automatically be uploaded to HAC attendance.

<u>Parent Drop-Off/Pick-Up</u> — When dropping off/picking up students in the front of the school, we ask that all drivers fill in the gap in front of your vehicle to allow all available loading/unloading space to be used. If you are passing a vehicle in front of you, please use your blinker to indicate a lane change. The front of the line begins at the edge of Building 5 (Gym) where the Toro Student Drop-Off sign is placed. Thank you in advance for pulling forward to help our line move more efficiently.

<u>Free Tutoring</u> - National Honor Society tutoring is available during Toro Time, after school Wednesdays, and before school Thursdays.

<u>Calling All Business Owners -</u> Are you interested in getting your business name out to the TCHS community? Consider placing an advertisement in our first ever TCHS Yearbook! Your ad is tax deductible and goes to helping students learn journalism and photography. Please review the link for more information <a href="https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:b4d9cd4e-1ef0-4790-8298-0c9cf3fbe856">https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:b4d9cd4e-1ef0-4790-8298-0c9cf3fbe856</a> or contact <a href="mailto:shannon.welch@stjohns.k12.fl.us">shannon.welch@stjohns.k12.fl.us</a>

<u>Drivers Education Courses</u> – TCHS is pleased to collaborate with The St. Johns County Tax Collectors Office to provide drivers education courses to our students. Please visit <u>SJCTC DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM</u> – St. Johns County Tax Collector (sjctax.us) or <a href="https://sjctax.us/student-driver-education/">https://sjctax.us/student-driver-education/</a> for more information.

<u>Lockers and Textbooks</u> – If your Toro did not select a locker yet, please have them report to the Deans Office with their selections.

<u>COVID Protocols</u> – TCHS has implemented all COVID mitigation protocols that are standard at all SJCSD school sites. For more information, please review the <u>SJCSD Health and Safety</u> updates.

<u>Parent Medical Consent Form</u> – Recently, a survey was sent by the SJCSD to give permission for your child to receive school health services. Please visit <u>this link</u> for the survey and more information. If it is not completed, the school nurse will not be able to provide any nursing services to your child until the form is completed. You will need your student's ID number to complete the form, which you can find in HAC.

<u>Breakfast and Lunch Services</u> – Want to know what your Toro is eating throughout the day? <u>PayPams</u> will be used to load your student's lunch account, view balances and check to see what type of "feed" your Toro is eating. Students are REQUIRED to use their digital/hard ID when checking out to assist with line movement.

# **FORTIFYFL APP**

FortifyFL is a website and app developed at the direction of the Florida Legislature. Any student, educator, parent or member of the public can report school safety concerns directly to law enforcement and school administrators anonymously and easily through the FortifyFL app or **getfortifyfl.com**.







# **School Advisory Council**

Our second School Advisory Meeting (SAC) will be held on the first Tuesday of each month, in the TCHS Media Center "The Hub".

**Date:** 4-5-22 **Time:** 8:10 AM

Facilitators: Mr. R. Bruns & Mr. J. Cabrera

Location: TCHS Media Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Building 1

# **TCHS Arts News**

**All Arts Spring Showcase** 

April 7th and 8th, 7:00pm

#### Want to get involved in The Arts at TCHS?

Please see the attached for membership information and Arts Account registration Click Here for Document

Please follow us on Facebook @ Tocoi Creek Arts

Would you like to learn more about becoming a sponsor for your Toro Arts Programs? Please see the attached sponsorship letter and form.

Would you like to purchase ad space in the All Arts "One Toro" Playbill. Please complete the attached form along with your payment. This can be dropped off for Mrs. Lay at the front office, or with your student's Arts teacher. Play Bill Sponsorship Form

https://www-tchs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/arts/ You can reach us by emailing: TocoiArtsBooster@yahoo.com.

# **Guidance Corner**

#### Registration Update:

School Counselors continued with registration appointments this past week. If your 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grade student hasn't met with their counselor yet, please tell them to keep their orange student verification sheet with them and be on the lookout for a pass from their counselor. We will be meeting with those students this coming week. For the full schedule of when students will be met with, please see our February School Counseling newsletter: March School Counseling Newsletter

<u>February School Counseling Newsletter</u> – Want to find out how to best support your Toro get ready for college, post secondary programming or Dual Enrollment opportunities for next year? Then check out the <u>TCHS School Counselor Newsletter - March</u>

<u>Guidance</u> – Visit our <u>Guidance Services</u> page to find out how to connect with our school counselors about schedules, college planning or counseling services.

<u>Bright Futures – New rules regarding Bright Futures Scholarship Service Forms/Rules</u> are posted on the District Web Site and will be available in the TCHS Guidance Services office.

# **Toro Athletics**

<u>Athletic Event Tickets</u> - Are you wondering how you can purchase tickets for any athletic event, bookmark our <u>TCHS Athletics Page</u> for future game schedules, purchases and specific sport information.

# TOCOI CREEK HIGH SCHOOL

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2. NAME	\$12
3. SCHOOL LOGO	\$75
*Each sport/club will be charged separately. *	
4. SPORT/ CLUB	\$12
5. NUMBER	\$15



\*Must come into store to purchase jacket. \*

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# **OneToro Support Organizations**

Want to get involved with TCHS? Use our OneToro contact list below to get involved with any one of our community support organizations. And a HUGE THANK YOU to our program sponsors! Horns UP!

# **PTSO Board Members**

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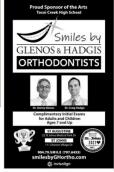


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# Tocoi Creek High School Parking Policies & Expectations

The following expectations exist to ensure the safest and most efficient use of our parking facilities. All Seniors and Juniors will be allowed to buy a parking pass during their designated dates. Provided availability, Sophomores will be able to purchase on a later date.

- A 2022-2023 School Year Parking Pass costs \$100. Parking fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.
  - Payments will be made via Schoolpay. No other forms of payment will be accepted.
  - o If parking pass is lost, an additional charge of \$25 will be needed to replace the pass.
  - If a parking violation is identified, an additional \$10 fine may be assessed.
- Purchase Windows for Parking Pass:
  - Seniors: February 25 March 11
    - Optional: Painting Parking Spot SENIORS ONLY
      - \$75 one-time fee
      - · All artwork must be approved
      - Official expectations on senior painting date, size and paint type will be released closer to the end of the 2021 - 2022 school year.
  - Juniors: March 21 April 1
  - Sophomores: Based on availability (future dates will be released)
    - Students who are NOT 16 prior to their payment deadline can still purchase their spot and you will receive your pass when you turn in your appropriate paperwork.
- Required paperwork will need to be turned at Summer Orientation (dates TBA) and the parking
  pass will be handed out at that time. Students cannot park on campus without their pass.
  - Required papwerwork:
    - Copy of valid driver's license, registration, and insurance on one piece of paper.
    - Signed copy of TCHS Parking Expectations

**Parking Expectations** 

- You may park only in your assigned parking spot.
- · Your parking tag on your rearview window while parked.
- If you need to take a different car to school other than the one on file, you will need to secure
  a temporary parking pass from the dean's office or parking attendant.
- Parking passes are non-transferable and cannot be shared with other students.
- You must be in good standing with attendance and discipline to be able to continue to drive on campus.
- You are expected to follow all traffic laws inside the parking lot and school zones.
- The parking area is off limits to all students during the school day. You must get a pass from the
  dean if you need access to your vehicle. Students entering the parking lot without a pass risk
  losing parking privileges.
- All vehicles are subject to search. Possession of drugs, alcohol, tobacco products/paraphernalia,
  pocket-knives or weapons of any kind or any other items not in compliance with the St. Johns
  County Code of Conduct will result in out of school suspension and loss of parking privileges.
  Not knowing that these items were in your vehicle will not change the consequences.
- Neither TCHS nor the St. Johns County School District are responsible for any damages or losses to vehicles parked at TCHS.

#### The following offenses could result in Suspension or Revocation of Parking Pass

- Excessive tardies / unexcused absences may result in loss of parking privileges for up to 30 days
- Leaving campus without permission
- Taking another student off campus without permission.
- Unlawful speed, talking/texting on your phone while operating vehicle or reckless driving on campus
- Level 4 disciplinary actions per the St. John County Student Code of Conduct (permanently revoked)
- Excessive violation of school rules (i.e. skipping class, defiance/disrespect, inappropriate conduct, class disruptions) (revoked 15 days)
- Students found on campus with another student's parking pass or a counterfeit parking pass or selling their parking pass will be ineligible for parking the remainder of your time at TCHS.

\*If a student loses their parking privileges, the vehicle registered to that parking pass is not allowed on campus. Refunds will not be given to students who lose their parking privilege (suspended or revoked) for disciplinary reasons.

Student Signature	Date	

My signature assures that I have read the policies and expectations and will adhere to them.