

THMS Weekly News 8/16/23

A newsletter for THMS students, parents and community.

Important Dates

- Open House August 17th at 5:30 pm (Flyer Attached)
- August 23rd No School for Staff Professional Development Day.
- Football Scrimmage (TODAY) Aug 16th 6:00 pm vs Cholla HS
- August 25th First Home Football Game vs. South Mountain 7:00 pm
- August 29th First Home Volleyball Game vs. Desert Ridge @4,5,6 pm

**Celebrating EDI Month! [Click here](#) for a video featuring
THMS Staff!**

Rep. Grijalva invest you to participate in the

CONGRESSIONAL APP CHALLENGE



Students must
live in AZ07



Any platform,
any language



App will be showcased at
the annual #HouseCode
Reception in D.C.

Visit Grijalva.House.Gov/congressional-app-competition/
to learn more and register to participate





BACK TO SCHOOL SPIRIT WEEK

WEEK OF AUGUST 21ST- AUGUST 25TH

MONDAY - TACKY TOURIST

TUESDAY- COPY AND PASTE (TWIN
DAY)

WEDNESDAY- NO SCHOOL STAFF
DEVELOPMENT

THURSDAY- THROWBACK THURSDAY
(DRESS AS YOUR YOUNGER SELF)

FRIDAY- BADGER PRIDE (WEAR RED OR
BADGER APPAREL)



Join us for a welcome presentation from our principal in the Auditorium at 5:30 pm

Then make your way to classrooms at 5:50 PM to meet teachers and hear about curriculum. It is not an evening to discuss your individual child but a time to meet teachers, hear about the class assignments, grading practices, and answer curriculum questions you have.

We look forward to meeting your family and supporting your students academically this year!



Classroom Visits:

1st Period 5:50 PM- 6:00 PM
 2nd Period 6:05 PM- 6:15 PM
 3rd Period 6:20 PM- 6:30 PM
 4th Period 6:35 PM- 6:45 PM
 5th Period 6:50 PM- 7:00 PM
 6th Period 7:05 PM- 7:15 PM
 7th Period 7:20- 7:30 PM

African American Student Services (See Attachments to email)

AASSD Regional Teams & Support Services:

Our department staff are divided into regional/school teams to serve African American students at all 80+ schools. Please see the attached document to locate your assigned staff member. AASSD staff presence varies throughout the month to accommodate all sites. In addition, the attached *AASSD Support infographic* outlines some of what you can expect from regional/school teams.

RTI Services:

RTI services provided by AASSD certified teachers target literacy at the elementary level. We are excited to expand RTI services to 13 sites. You can expect more sites to be added as two additional RTI Specialists are in the Human Resources que.

Royal Readers:

Based on end of the year DIBELS data, AASSD is targeting 500 African American students currently in grades 1st-3rd to participate in the Royal Readers Early Literacy Initiative. Through this initiative, targeted *returning* students are provided a loaner iPad, hotspots (if needed), and headphones to complete interventions at home. Orientations were held with parents/guardians during the summer. Please note, technology is distributed and collected by AASSD. If parents/students need support, please direct them to Shermaine Fort (shermain.fort@tusd1.org).

AASSD Workshops

AASSD is pleased to offer 60-minute, in person, workshops to all school sites. *Though the sessions highlight the African American community they are applicable to and support our district's diverse*

community. Please see the attached flyer for workshop descriptions. Sessions are available beginning in September. Please contact our office at AASSD@tusd1.org or 520-584-7500 to request a workshop(s).

Behavior Specialists

The AASSD Behavior Specialists role has been streamlined to specifically target support to school teams. Please see the attached Scope of Work.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our office, or reach out to me directly.

Warm regards,

Dr. Tonya R. Strozier (She/Her/Hers)

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Credit Recovery Before and After School

Did your student fail one or more classes last year? Would you like your child to recover that credit before summer school?

- THMS offers credit recovery or credit advancement online before and after school.

- Students who want to enroll in a 0 hour (7am-8am) or 8th period (2:30-3:30 pm) before or after school may register here:
- [0 and 8th Period \(office.com\)](#).

