

Parent & Guardian Weekly Newsletter

Friday | April 1, 2022





UPCOMING EVENTS

April 4-8 - Spring Break April 15 - No School: Conference Prep April 18 - No School: Staff Dev. April 22 - Middle School Play April 23 - Conferences April 29 - Early Release Day 1:20 pm April 30 - New Student Registration May 6 - Arts Showcase May 12 - NHS May 14 - Junior/Senior Prom May 19 - Band Concert May 27 - Early Release at 1:20 pm May 30 - Memorial Day - No School

MCA Testing

MCAs are coming in April!

For MCA testing days, it is absolutely critical that your student comes prepared with a fully charged chromebook. TCA does not have extras to loan out during testing. They must bring their TCA issued chromebook because they will log in with the software and programs specific for statewide assessments. Thank you!

6-8th, 11th grade will test **math** during their 5th hour advisories April 20th and 21st

April 18 - No school - Staff Development April 19 - A Day <u>April 20 - B Day (test *math* during 5th hour advisory and WIN time)</u> <u>April 21 - B Day (test *math* during 5th hour advisory and WIN time)</u> April 22 - A Day

6-8th, 10th grade will test **reading** during their 5th hour advisories April 26th and 27th

April 25 - A Day <u>April 26 - B Day (test *reading* during 5th hour advisory and WIN time)</u> <u>April 27 - B Day (test *reading* during 5th hour advisory and WIN time)</u> April 28 - A Day April 29 - Early Release 1:20pm

8th grade science and 10th grade Biology will test **science** in student's regularly scheduled science class on May 4th and 5th.

Practice with <u>Item Samplers</u>

Parent refusal/Opt-out form

Please contact Mr. G at agorrell@twincitiesacademy.org with any questions.

Blanket Donations

Ms. McCall's mentoring group has been busy making tie blankets to donate to those in need in Minnesota and abroad.



Free Drive-Through Grocery Event

Free Drive-Through Grocery Event April 9 @ 10:00 am - 1:00 pm This event requires pre-registration. Please click below for full information about how to sign up.



Junior Senior Prom



Dear Juniors and Seniors,

Prom committee has a special! Tickets will now be sold for \$40 until April 29th, so come buy your tickets. The tickets will also be sold online and if you can't find them online ask the prom committee for help. After April 29th, the tickets will go back to \$45, so don't miss this perfect opportunity!

Prom committee is also providing free dresses to those in need. If you do need a dress, ask prom committee by the snack area or where we are selling tickets. Email Ms. Yolanda at yvalle@twincitiesacademy.org if you have any questions.

Yearbooks

Middle School Yearbooks are available!

The Yearbook Club is working hard to create your 2021-2022 Yearbook filled with memories, friends, and events. We are only printing 80 copies this year so make sure to place your order now!

Reserve your copy now by going to <u>www.balfour.com</u> and searching Twin Cities Academy Middle School.

For questions please reach out to Liz Vandergon at evandergon@twincitiesacademy.org

Covid Isolation and Quarantine Calculator



Happy Spring Break TCA Community! Here is an easy way to find out if you need to stay home from work or keep your students out of school and sports for a few days. The CDC has developed an easy to use "calculator" that allows you to plug in your personal information and find out if you need to quarantine. Although it is good to keep in mind that individual employers and school systems may have stricter guidelines.

Covid Isolation and Quarantine Calculator

Remember, there are Covid treatment options out there, but it is important to let your doctor know within the first few days that you have tested positive for Covid, as most treatments work best when administered promptly after diagnosis. The CDC has information on treatment options that you can discuss with your doctor and see what might be the best for you.

CDC If You Have Covid

Keep Washing Those Hands, Arlene Seashore

Debate Summer Camp

THE MINNESOTA DEBATE AND ADVOCACY WORKSHOP (MDAW) FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IS OPEN FOR REGISTRATION! Click <u>HERE to register</u>.

Summer debate camp is a great way to keep debaters engaged, reduce summer learning loss, help students get ahead of the curve for next year, and of course it's a lot of fun!

For debaters currently in 6th or 7th grade, I highly recommend the June 27-July 3 'Middle School Policy Debate' session. It will be focused on skills building as well as learning about next year's topic. For debaters currently in 8th grade, I recommend the June 27-July 3 and/or July 4-9 'High School Policy Debate - All Levels' session. It's a great way to make the step up from middle school to high school debate.

Thank you,

Jake Swede Minnesota Urban Debate League swedej@augsburg.edu







UNCF 300 SCIENCE. APPLIED TO LIFE. SCHOLARSHIP 2022

In partnering with UNCF, the UNCF 3M. Applied to Life. Scholarship Program was established to provide need-based scholarship support to underrepresented high school seniors who are interested in pursuing a STEM degree, or college freshman already enrolled in a STEM degree program.

Over the four years of the program, each individual is eligible to receive up to

\$25,000

Program Eligibility:

- Minimum GPA of 2.5
- High School Senior, College Freshman
- African-American/Black, American Indian-Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American, Hispanic American
- U.S. Citizen, U.S. National or Permanent Resident
- 4-Year Colleges, HBCUs
- Minnesota
 - Students must be attending or have attended high school in one of the following school districts:
 St. Paul Public Schools, local Charter Schools serving St. Paul students, or the North St. Paul-Maplewood-Oakdale School District

Deadline: May 12, 2022 at 11:59 pm EST

Start your application today! <u>Click Here</u>

Questions? Join our office hours on April 13, 2022

Sign-Up Here