



# Tomah Middle School



## February 2024 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Guardians:

It's hard to believe the year is half-over, and we are already looking ahead to the beginning of plans for next year. Our second half also looks to bring great experiences and opportunities for your child. I encourage you to review the achievements of your child from the first semester and set goals for them to strive for in this second semester.

### Building Goal Update:

Our students recently checked their progress by taking their winter iReady assessments in ELA and math. Our building goal centers on increasing student growth in these assessments. We are happy to announce that our students are continuing to show wonderful improvement. We are well on track to meet our goal by the end of the school year.

Homework Help: We continue to have after school homework help Monday-Thursday from 3:30 pm-5:00 pm. Students must have a teacher sign them up for this. If you believe your student would benefit from homework help, please contact your child's teacher to get them on the list.

Kleenex: It is cold and flu season. Please consider donating Kleenex. You can drop them off at the main office.

After School Activities: We offer many clubs and activities after school. These groups typically go from 3:30-4:30 pm. You can always find out when our clubs and/or activities are happening by looking at the TMS calendar on the district website. You can also access it [here](#).

Spring conferences are scheduled for next month. :

Grade/Team	Tuesday, March 5	Thursday, March 7
Team 6-1	Open: 4-7 pm Closed: 7-8 pm	Open: 4-7 pm Closed: 7-8 pm
Team 6-2	Open	Open: 4-6 pm Closed: 6-8 pm
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Open	Open
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Open	Open: 4-6 pm Closed: 6-8 pm

We want to remind you that middle school conferences run differently than at the elementary. Our teachers see over 100 students a day, so it is impossible for conferences to last longer than 5 minutes. If you believe your conference will take longer, please email one of your child's teachers to set up an alternative time to speak over the phone or in person.

Thank you for all the support you have provided your child through the first half of the year, and we look forward to your ongoing support as we move forward. If you ever have a question regarding your child's success at TMS, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or our offices so we can assist.

Sincerely,

Amy Langner – Principal 608-374-7883

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Jared Sasada – Dean of Students 608-374-7927



## Counselors' Corner

### February 2024

Hello TMS students and families! Just a few reminders from the counseling office:

Stop in the counseling office to share a win, or a **glimmer** with us. When you would like to share something you are proud of, or didn't give up on, put your name on a post-it and put it on the board on Mrs. King's door. We will randomly pull a name at the end of each month to receive a special treat.

High school counselors, Dan Korson and Veronica Nelson, visited TMS on February 1<sup>st</sup> and talked with our 8<sup>th</sup> graders about registering for their freshman classes. Mrs. Broughton was in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms on February 2<sup>nd</sup> for ACP lessons. We discussed future careers and what path in high school will best support you in achieving that goal.

Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup> was our 8<sup>th</sup> grade student/parent registration night at Tomah High School at 6:30pm with Dan Korson and Veronica Nelson.

Our counseling connections class will complete a vision board as their end-of-the-year project. If you have any old and school-appropriate magazines you would like to donate, please have your student drop them off in the counseling office.

If you or someone you know needs extra support with anything school, friend, or family related, please don't hesitate to reach out to Mrs. King or Mrs. Broughton. We are always here to help anyway we can.

Be kind to yourself and others.

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# FEBRUARY 2024 EVENTS

Thursday, February 1	Advanced Saxophone Sectional Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35 a.m.
Friday, February 2	
Monday, February 5	
Tuesday, February 6	Advanced Full Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35 a.m. Forensics meet in West Salem
Wednesday, February 7	Beginning Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35 a.m. Fundraiser Qualified Students on Kalahari Trip 8:10 a.m. – 2:25 p.m. Chess and Gaming Club 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 8	Advanced Trumpet Sectional Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35 a.m.
Friday, February 9	
Monday, February 12	
Tuesday, February 13	Advanced Full Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35 a.m.
Wednesday, February 14	<b>HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!</b>  Beginning Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35 a.m. Chess and Gaming Club 7:00-7:35 a.m.
Thursday, February 15	Low Brass Sectional Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35 a.m.
Friday, February 16	Show Choir Competition in Sparta
Saturday, February 17	Show Choir Competition in Sparta
Monday, February 19	<b>No School – Professional Development Day</b>
Tuesday, February 20	Advanced Full Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35 a.m.
Wednesday, February 21	End of 4 ½ week classes Beginning Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35 a.m. Chess and Gaming Club 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 22	Begin 4 ½ week classes Advanced Saxophone Sectional Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35 a.m.
Friday, February 23	
Saturday, February 24	District Solo & Ensemble @Sparta
Monday, February 26	
Tuesday, February 27	Advanced Full Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35 a.m.
Wednesday, February 28	Beginning Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35 a.m. Chess and Gaming Club 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 29	Advanced Trumpet Sectional Jazz Band Rehearsal 7:00-7:35