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TOPEKA WEST HIGH SCHOOL CHARGER NEWS

From the Desk of Dustin Dick, Principal



NEW SCHOOL YEAR & NEW INITIATIVES

This school year has started off well again. Once again we have seen a slight enrollment increase to a little over 1100 students. Counselors have been working hard to fill student schedules and ensure that class sizes are balanced as best they can be.

We will continue to use the Yondr Pouches with cell phones this year as well. The expectation for students is that we should not see or hear your phone when you enter a classroom through the time you are in class. Phones should either remain turned off in a student's bag or placed in a Yondr Pouch during class time. If a student has their phone visible during class time and not in the bag or in the pouch they will have it taken by an administrator.

We also have started a new initiative to help with student attendance issues. Regular, timely attendance to class is one of the single biggest things that impact academic success. From our own work over the years we know that the 2 biggest factors that determine student success and graduation are attendance and passing classes. This year any student with an unexcused absence the prior day to any class period will be placed in In School Suspension (ISS) the following day. It is absolutely critical that students be in class daily. Our goal is for every student to achieve a 95% attendance rate, which means that they cannot miss more than 4 school days a semester. Even when a parent calls into excuse a student it counts against our average daily attendance rate for the student. Please help us ensure that your student(s) are attending classes daily.

Unfortunately we had an incident already this year that caused us to go into a Secure Campus. From what you have probably heard or read in the news there are some serious charges and potentially serious jail time on the horizon for the individual that caused us to secure the campus. When we have a Secure Campus we allow for classes to continue as normal. Students may move within an individual building, but are not allowed to move about campus, until we feel it is safe to be able to do that (pass between classes). In these situations, teachers lock their classroom doors and continue with class as usual. We use secure campus when there is some type of event in the community, external threat to campus, or at times when someone may be experiencing a medical issue and we need to keep the campus and hall clear of people. In the case of the incident here on August 20, we received information from the Topeka Police Department of a potential threat made to Topeka West. While they attempted to locate this individual we placed the school on Secure Campus and had between 8-12 police officers on and around campus. Once the individual was located and in police custody we lifted the secure campus. It was much later that evening that we learned more details as they were released to the media by TPD. Generally in the moment we do not have a lot of information to share with parents or anyone else, which was the case here. Please know that we take your student's safety as our highest priority and we will do all that we can to ensure that they are safe while they are here with us.

As always please feel free to reach out to any administrator if you or your students have any needs.

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Topeka West Mission Statement

**Working toward career and college readiness,
 Engaging students in quality learning,
 Sustaining a culture of respect and a
 Tradition of excellence**

SEPTEMBER, 2019 TWHS EVENTS CALENDAR

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|---|--|
| Fri., September 6 | LINK CREW Tailgate, 5PM - 7PM, Hummer Sports Park |
| Sat., September 7 | JROTC Raider Meet - Clinton, MO |
| Wed., September 11 | JROTC 9/11 Ceremony 8:20 AM - Circle Drive |
| Sat. September 14 | ACT Test - 8 AM - 1 PM - B Building |
| Tues., September 17 | Jostens Ring Presentation, 10:30 AM—11:30 AM, Douglas P. Auditorium |
| Fri., September 20 | Sign up Deadline for October 26 ACT Test |
| Fri., September 20 | Jostens Ring Orders, 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM, Douglas P. Auditorium |
| Fri-Sat., Sept. 20-21 | POPS Concert - 7:00 PM, Douglas P. Auditorium |
| Sat., September 21 | JROTC Raider Meet - Des Moines, IA |
| Sun., September 22 | Little Cheer Clinic, 12:00 - 6:00 PM, North Gymnasium |
| HOMEcomings WEEK! September 23-27 | |
| Tues., September 24 | Lifetouch Picture Re-Take Day |
| Thurs., September 26 | Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, 7 PM, Douglas P. Auditorium |
| Sat., September 28 | JROTC Smith Cotton Raider Meet, Sedalia, MO |
| Sat., September 28 | Charger Band Pancake Feed, 7AM - 12 PM, Cafeteria |
| Sun., September 29 | Graduate Hall of Fame, 2PM, Douglas P. Auditorium |
| Mon., September 30, Kay Club Blood Drive - All Day, LET Building | |
| LOOKING AHEAD TO OCTOBER, 2018 - MARK YOUR CALENDARS! | |
| Tues., October 1 | Jostens Graduation Presentation - 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM, Douglas P. Auditorium |
| Sat., October 5 | Race Against Breast Cancer - 7:00 AM - 2:00 PM, Joe Schrag Track |
| 2019-2020 TWHS CALENDAR ALSO AVAILABLE ONLINE: https://sites.google.com/a/tps501.org/topeka-west-high-school-google/ <i>NOTE: CALENDAR DATES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.</i> | |

West Side Bank is preparing to open Fall 2019. Please watch the announcements and follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

@TW_WestSideBank - Twitter
@WestSideBankTWHS - Facebook

TWHS FOOTBALL SCHEDULE - GO CHARGERS!

September VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

| DATE | OPPONENT | PLACE | TIME |
|----------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Sept. 6 | Hayden High School | Hummer Sports Park | 7 p.m. |
| Sept. 13 | Emporia High School | Welch Stadium - Emporia State Univ. | 7 p.m. |
| Sept. 20 | Junction City High School | Al Simpler Stadium | 7 p.m. |
| Sept. 27 | Highland Park (Homecoming) | Hummer Sports Park | 7 p.m. |

September JV FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

| DATE | OPPONENT | PLACE | TIME |
|----------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------|
| Sept. 9 | Hayden High School | Hayden High School | 6 p.m. |
| Sept. 16 | Emporia High School | Topeka West High School | 6 p.m. |
| Sept. 23 | Junction City High School | Topeka West High School | 6 p.m. |
| Sept. 30 | Highland Park | Hummer Sports Park (HP Home) | 6 p.m. |

September 9th GRADE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

| DATE | OPPONENT | PLACE | TIME |
|----------|---------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Sept. 9 | Hayden High School | Hayden High School | 4:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 16 | Emporia High School | Topeka West High School | 4:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 23 | Junction City High School | Topeka West High School | 4:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 30 | Highland Park High School | Hummer Sports Park (HP Home) | 4:30 p.m. |

WE ARE TRYING TO GET MORE PEOPLE INVOLVED WITH FACEBOOK AND TWITTER ACCOUNTS ASSOCIATED WITH TOPEKA WEST HIGH SCHOOL. THERE IS A LOT OF PERINENT INFORMATION POSTED TO BOTH ACCOUNTS. "LIKE" OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION ON EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS HERE AT TOPEKA WEST HIGH SCHOOL. WE ALSO HAVE A SPORTS CHANNEL (NFHS NETWORK)

FACEBOOK

www.facebook.com/TopekaWest501 is the schools official Facebook page

www.facebook.com/pages/Westside-Pride-Topeka-West-Booster-Club

Is the Westside Pride Official Facebook page

TWITTER

@TPSTwest is the official twitter account for Topeka West High School

@TopekaWestAthle is the official twitter account for the athletic department

@TWWestsidePride is the official twitter account for the Westside Pride Booster Club

TWHS MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS!

GO TO: www.youtube.com

SEARCH: Topeka West Television Vid

SELECT CHANNEL BOX: TWTV (Purple and Gray)

SELECT VIDEO: Labeled Announcements (today's date identified)

SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Westsiders Dance Team- Topeka West High School. Come in to the Chipotle at **2040 SW Wanamaker Road # 103** in Topeka on **Saturday, September 7th** between **5:00pm** and **9:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Westsiders Dance Team- Topeka West High School.



MEXICAN GRILL

Online orders will not be included in the fundraiser total. To ensure your purchase is counted in the fundraiser, be sure to order and pay in-restaurant. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

THE 24TH ANNUAL
SERTOMA
GREAT TOPEKA DUCK RACE



September 14, 2019
Lake Shawnee, Topeka, KS

ADOPT A DUCK, HELP A CHILD, WIN A PRIZE.

The Westsiders are selling ducks for the 24th annual Sertoma Clubs of Topeka Duck Race. Support the Westsiders and the Sertoma Club while having a chance to win fabulous prizes. More information can be found at TopekaDuckRace.com.

To adopt a duck,

- Visit TopekaDuckRace.com, select Teams, select the Topeka West Westsiders Dance Team, and select the Westsider you want to support!
- Go directly to <https://www.duckrace.com/topeka/teams/9483>
- Or contact any Westsider!

POPS

CONCERT

September 20 – 21 7:00 pm

Come see The Pops Concert, Topeka West High School's variety show, September 20th, and 21st at 7:00 pm. The show will consist of two acts, full of sketches provided by the TWHS Players, music from various choirs, bands, and orchestras, and talents of all kinds from students ranging in age from freshman to seniors! We are so excited to display our Charger Pride and showcase the hard work and many talents here at West!

Topeka West High School

SPORTS HALL OF FAME

Thursday, September 26

Douglas P. Goheen Auditorium - TWHS

Please join us at 7 PM for the Induction Ceremony

6 PM Reception - Leadership Center—A120

Class of 2019

Terry Koerner - 1982

Shari Waters - 1982

Hakim Hazim - 1985

Jeff Bruce - 1989

Ron Stull - Coach

Nick Geiber - Contributor

1999 Boys Girls Team



TOPEKA WEST

FOOTBALL TAILGATE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

**AT HUMMER SPORTSPARK
WEST PARKING LOT**

TIME: 5:00 PM

Have your own tailgate or bring something to share and join another

**Purchase apparel at the
Westside Pride Tailgate!**

FRESHMAN TAILGATE SPONSORED BY LINK CREW THIS FRIDAY TOO!

GOT PRIDE?

The Topeka West parent organization - **Westside PRIDE Booster Club** supporting all Topeka West activities - welcomes you to participate and show your **PRIDE**. Joining the **Westside PRIDE Booster Club** is fun and fulfilling and provides a level of participation to meet everyone's needs. The next page details the various ways Westside **PRIDE** supports Topeka West students, teachers and staff through sponsorship and activities. Be a part of the **PRIDE**.

Please join us in supporting Topeka West High School and check your level of participation:

\$150 Super Charger PRIDE Membership – Charger Yard Sign, name is published, coupon for Purple Pride merchandise, Activity Punch Card for entrance to 10 Topeka West events & your membership dollars support school activities.

\$50 Family Charger PRIDE Membership – Charger Yard Sign, name is published, coupon for Purple Pride merchandise & your membership dollars support school activities.

\$20 Individual Charger PRIDE Membership – Charger Yard Sign, name is published & your membership dollars support school activities.

Volunteer Charger PRIDE Membership – Donate time and participate in activities sponsored by Westside Pride.

Names will appear in the Activities Programs produced during the year.

Please provide your contact information:

Name (as you want printed in publications) _____

Address _____

Daytime Phone _____ Evening or Cell Phone _____

Student(s) & Grade _____

Email address (used only for Westside Pride notices) _____

**** Pay Dues with Credit Card or Check ****

Return form and payment to "Westside Pride Booster Club". Return to Westside Pride mailbox in "A Office" or mail to Westside Pride Booster Club, c/o Douglas T. Shima, 2001 SW Fairlawn Rd, Topeka, KS 66604

**** Contact shimad@kscourts.org with questions ****



Don't let your PRIDE go unnoticed join now!



Westside PRIDE Booster Club

The Topeka West High School Parent Organization

WHAT does Westside **PRIDE** do for the Students, Teachers and Staff at Topeka West?

- Provide grants for classroom and other student needs (Last Year's Grants 2018-2019)

| Amount | Department | Purpose |
|---------------------|--------------------|--|
| \$5,246.43 | School | Cooperative learning Tables and Chairs |
| \$3,000.00 | Theater | Musical Rights, Royalties |
| \$2,000.00 | Administration | Concurrent Credit Scholarships |
| \$2,000.00 | Westsiders | Westsider Camp (\$100 per dancer) |
| \$2,000.00 | Music/Band | Band Transportation |
| \$2,000.00 | Students | Post Prom Support |
| \$1,500.00 | Library/Media | Residence Writer's Workshop |
| \$1,300.00 | Special Ed. | Washer and Dryer for Special Education Classroom |
| \$500.00 | Women's Basketball | Basketball Camp in Colorado |
| \$500.00 | Special Ed. | Flat Screen TV for Special Education Classroom |
| \$450.00 | Honor Society | National Honor Society |
| \$300.00 | Business | FBLA State (registration costs) |
| \$100.00 | Library/Media | Class set of Alien Hunter by James Patterson |
| \$ 20,896.43 | TOTAL | SCHOOL SPIRIT AND PRIDE |

- Host teacher and staff appreciation lunches
- Help keep the campus looking beautiful
- Sell spirit wear to promote school pride
- Support the academic recognition of students
- Run home event concessions to raise funds for activities and sponsorships
- Generate support and spirit for athletic teams and school events
- Provide representatives for the District Citizens Advisory Council (DCAC)
- FREE Back To School Picnic, Tuesday, August 13th, 5:30 p.m. in the Gym
- And much, much more including ideas you might have to support Topeka West

WHEN does Westside **PRIDE** meet?

First meeting of 2019 will be held Monday, August 19th in the TWHS library/media center

After August, meetings will be the 2nd Monday of each month.

All meetings begin at 6 pm and are held at the TWHS library media center.

Don't let your PRIDE go unnoticed join now!



MATH TUTORING

TUESDAYS &
THURSDAYS

3:00—4:30 P.M.

MIC ROOM

Immunization Requirements for the 2019 - 2020 School Year

K.A.R. 28-1-20 defines Immunizations required for any individual who attends school or a childcare program operated by a school. Below are the requirements for the indicated school year. Please carefully review the requirements. The usual number of doses required are listed; however there are exceptional circumstances that could alter the number of doses a child needs. If you have questions about your child's immunization status, contact your child's primary care provider or local health department.

Proof of receiving the required immunizations must be provided to the school prior to the student attending the first day of school.



Early Childhood Program Operated by a School Ages 4 Years and Under

| Vaccine | Requirement |
|--|-------------|
| DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) | 4 doses |
| IPV (polio) | 3 doses |
| MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) | 1 dose |
| Varicella (chickenpox) | 1 dose* |
| Hepatitis A | 2 doses |
| Hepatitis B | 3 doses |
| Hib (Haemophilus influenzae type B) | 4 doses** |
| Prenar (Streptococcus conjugate) | 4 doses** |

KDG and Grade 1 - New Requirement!

| Vaccine | Requirement |
|--|-------------|
| DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) | 5 doses |
| IPV (polio) | 4 doses*** |
| MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) | 2 doses |
| Varicella (chickenpox) | 2 doses* |
| Hepatitis A - New Requirement! | 2 doses |
| Hepatitis B | 3 doses |

Grades 2 - 6

| Vaccine | Requirement |
|--|-------------|
| DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) | 5 doses |
| IPV (polio) | 4 doses*** |
| MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) | 2 doses |
| Varicella (chickenpox) | 2 doses* |
| Hepatitis B | 3 doses |

Grade 7 - New Requirement!

| Vaccine | Requirement |
|---|-------------|
| Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) | 1 dose** |
| IPV (polio) | 4 doses*** |
| MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) | 2 doses |
| Varicella (chickenpox) | 2 doses* |
| Hepatitis B | 3 doses |
| NEW Requirement! Meningococcal (serogroup A, C, W, Y) | 1 dose |

ADDITIONAL ACIP RECOMMENDED Vaccines Not Required for School Entry

- **Influenza (Flu):** Annual vaccine recommended for everyone 6 months of age and older.
- **HPV (Human Papillomavirus) Vaccine:**
2 doses recommended at age 11 years
2 doses needed if started at 11-14 years
3 doses needed if started at 15 years or older

Grades 8, 9, 10 and 12

| Vaccine | Requirement |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) | 1 dose** |
| IPV (polio) | 4 doses*** |
| MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) | 2 doses |
| Varicella (chickenpox) | 2 doses* |
| Hepatitis B | 3 doses |

Grade 11 - New Requirement!

In addition to above vaccines for Grades 8, 9, 10 & 12:

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|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Meningococcal (serogroup A, C, W, Y) | 1 dose |
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Notes

* Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine is not required if child has had chickenpox disease and disease is documented by a physician signature. Without physician signature, vaccine is still required even if you believe your child has had chickenpox disease.

** Total doses needed are dependent on vaccine type and age the doses were administered.

*** All Students in grades K-6, all new students and students currently completing the polio series must have 6 months between the last 2 doses of polio vaccine, and one dose must be after the 4th birthday.

** All students in grades 7-12 must have one dose of Tdap regardless of the interval since the last dose of DTaP or Td.



2019-2020 Mandatory School Fees

Computer Usage Fee \$25

Textbook Rental \$10-\$70

Class Fee \$5

Hall Lock Fee \$5

Student ID Card Fee \$5

PE Lock Fee \$5

This does not include optional items such as yearbook, activity ticket or previous fees due.

WAYS TO PAY

**Cash, Check or Money
Order can be brought in
to Mrs. Allen in A-Office.**

Checks can also be mailed to the school at:

Topeka West High School
Financial Office
2001 SW Fairlawn Rd
Topeka, KS 66604

Credit/Debit Card (Online Only):

- Log into your Parent Portal account
- Click Fees & Billing
- Click Pay
- Enter in the amount being paid on each line item
- Click Proceed to Verification
- Verify payment information is correct
- Click Pay

From there, you will be prompted to enter an email address and your card information.

There is a 3.61% Service Fee when paying by card.

PAYMENT PLAN AGREEMENT

By using a payment plan, you agree:

*I AGREE TO PAY IN FULL at the time of enrollment **OR** PAY in equal installments and agree that this is a legally binding contract. In addition, if I do not meet obligations as set forth in this installment contract, my account will be turned over to a collections service, where additional collection and attorney fees will be added.*

INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS ARE DUE

SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

OCTOBER 16, 2019

NOVEMBER 15, 2019

NOTE: PAYMENT MAY BE PAID IN FULL AT ANY TIME BEFORE NOV. 15TH, 2019 without penalties.

Please contact Mrs. Allen in A-Office
with any questions

Phone: 785-438-4007

Email: dallen1@tps501.org

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Students may find information regarding the Counseling Department by going to the Topeka West High School website and click on the Guidance tab.

<http://www.topekapublicschools.net/twhs>

COLLEGE VISITATIONS: Start now having your juniors and seniors attend college representative visits on our campus. We can help your students answer their questions!

SENIOR INTERVIEWS: The Counseling Department will be meeting with seniors beginning the week of Sept. 9 to do senior credit checks, second semester schedules, and post secondary plans.

SENIORS STUDENTS AND PARENTS: Washburn University will be hosting a Financial Aid Night on Oct. 2 in the KBI Building on the Washburn University Campus from 6-8 p.m. This is a great way to get assistance in filling out the Free Application for Free Federal Aid (FAFSA).

2019-2020 ACT TESTING INFORMATION

| TEST DATE | REGISTRATION DEADLINE | (LATE FEE REQUIRED) |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| October 26, 2019 | September 20, 2019 | September 21– October 4, 2019 |
| December 14, 2019 | November 8, 2019 | November 9-22, 2019 |
| February 8, 2020 | January 10, 2020 | January 11-17, 2020 |
| April 4, 2020 | February 28, 2020 | February 29-March 13, 2020 |
| June 13, 2020 | May 8, 2020 | May 9-22, 2020 |
| July 18, 2020 | June 19, 2020 | June 20-26, 2020 |

(Registration materials are available in the Counseling Center, or students may register online at www.act.org)

LOCATION: Topeka West High School - B Building

REPORT BY 7:45 a.m.

If testing location questions - please call Laura Nichols, Asst. Principal 438-4013

Topeka West High School Code: 172-928

TWHS CENTER CODE: 176190

Students must bring photo I.D., calculator, #2 pencils, and their admission ticket.

Two weeks prior to test. Students must upload their photo to ACT.org

PSAT/NMSQT: **Wednesday, October 16, 2019**

SAT: **Saturday, March 14, 2020 (www.collegeboard.com)**

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

If you are hurting, there is help

| Helpful Hotlines & Websites | | |
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| Suicide/Crisis Text Line | Text HOME to 741741 from anywhere in the USA, anytime, about any type of crisis | http://www.crisistextline.org/ |
| National Suicide Prevention Lifeline | 24 Hour Hotline: 1-800-273-TALK For deaf & hard of hearing: 1-800-799-4889 Prevención Nacional del Suicidio: 1-888-628-9454 | http://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/ |
| The Trevor Project: Crisis and Suicide Prevention among LGBTQ youth | 24 Hour Hotline: 1-866-4-U-TREVOR Text START to 678678 | http://thetrevorproject.org/ |
| National Eating Disorders Association | 1-800-931-2237 Hotline hours: M-Th, 9am-9pm F, 9am-5pm | https://nationaleatingdisorders.org/help-support/contact |
| National Domestic Violence | 24 Hour Hotline: 1-800-799-SAFE | http://www.thehotline.org/ |
| National Human Trafficking Hotline | 24 Hour Hotline: 1-888-373-7888 | https://humantraffickinghotline.org |
| Kansas Protection Report Center: Report child abuse (physical, sexual, emotional) and neglect of a child/teen | 24 Hour Hotline: 1-800-922-5330 | http://www.dcf.ks.gov/Pages/HotlineNumbers.aspx |

| TWS Resources | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------|
| Jennifer Anderson (Social Worker) | janderson5@tps501.org | C-Building |
| Ann Lara (Social Worker) | alara@tps501.org | C-Building |
| Brooke Mulford (Counselor) | bmulford@tps501.org | E-Building |
| Jackie Van Petten (Counselor) | jvanpetten1@tps501.org | E-Building |
| LaShawna Harris (Counselor) | lharris@tps501.org | B-Building |
| Megan Sturm (Counselor) | msturm@tps501.org | B-Building |



In an emergency, go to your Division Office, or if you are at home, immediately call 911.



WASHBURN TECH

FALL OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, October 17th
tours 8:30-11 am or 12-2:30 pm



- come & go event
- guided tours
- self-guided tours
- student demos
- meet instructors
- meet industry reps
- talk with students

- featuring:
- Manufacturing Day**
- program 10-10:30a
 - guest speaker
 - Alejandro Gomez
 - plant engineer
 - Hill's Pet Nutrition
 - tours before/after

- Schedule Now!**
- email Aryn
 - Aryn.Hopson@washburn.edu
 - RSVP #/students
 - indicate programs of interest
 - ?'s: 785.670.2200

September College & Career Events

9/3- Washburn University visits TWHS during C/T (Library)

9/12- District field trip to KU (Seniors/Juniors Priority)

9/11- Ottawa University visits TWHS during C/T (Library)

9/12- Emporia State University visits TWHS during C/T (Library)

9/14- ACT at TWHS (Deadline to sign up has passed)

9/19- Accuplacer given at Topeka West Library 8:00am

9/19- Fort Hays State University visits TWHS during C/T (Library)

9/20- Deadline to sign up for Oct. 26 ACT

9/20- Credit/ No Credit Deadline

9/25- District field trip to K-State (Seniors/Juniors Priority)

Washburn Tech Rep will be available to meet with students every Thursday during C/T in library: 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26

****If you are interested in Washburn Tech, see if you are able to attend the open house on Thursday October 17th! See your counselor for more information****

**Topeka West High School
Washburn University Concurrent Enrollment Partnership
College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Honor Roll**

Fall 2018

| | | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Kayshiona Acquaye | Neva Gonzales | Seth Phelps |
| Joel Alejos | Christopher Hargreaves | Luke Phelps-Roper |
| Kaya Beitz | Alexis Harrison | Taylor Province |
| Curtin Cool | William Hess | Trevin Reinert |
| Claire Coultis | Gideon Hoozenberger | Joshua Rohr |
| Courtney Dice | Joseph Jacobson | Reagan Robr |
| Fate Donohue | Caleb Jennings | Megan Shambow |
| Boaz Drain | Ian Johnson | Kaitlyn Shima |
| John Eddy | Noah Kuebler | Ethan Sims |
| Dawson Essary | Maya Miller | Samantha Smith |
| Zachary Forshee | Kimberly Morrow | Samuel Snyder |
| Alexis Gaudreau | Samantha O'Hara Arrington | Alanna Walker |
| Mara Gilbreath | Melissa Paz | Riley Look |

Spring 2019

| | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Kayshiona Acquaye | Dawson Heymans | Emma Ramberg |
| Joel Alejos | Gideon Hoozenberger | Trevin Reinert |
| Ryan Banks | Tobey Johnson | Alexus Robb |
| Kaya Beitz | Ian Johnson | Julianne Roberts |
| Sads Bransen | Alyssa Keating | Joshua Rohr |
| Curtin Cool | Noah Kuebler | Reagan Rohr |
| Claire Coultis | Morgan Kuhn | Kaitlyn Shima |
| Cameron Cropper | Isaacson Lane | Ethan Sims |
| Courtney Dice | Mickaila McVey | Samantha Smith |
| Boaz Drain | Dayvian Meyer | Ashley Stricker |
| Dawson Essary | Maya Miller | Alanna Walker |
| Alexis Gaudreau | Kimberly Morrow | Shawna Wilson |
| Tatum Genery | Hannah Nystrom | Elizabeth Winkelman |
| Mara Gilbreath | Leslie Oates | Kristen Wischropp |
| Angel Gonzalez | Seth Phelps | Gillian Wirzko |
| Christopher Hargreaves | Luke Phelps-Roper | Oscar Zapata |
| Trevin Harris | Taylor Province | |
| Alexis Harrison | Laura Quigley | |

Topeka West High School
Washburn University Concurrent Enrollment Partnership
College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Honor Roll

Full Academic Year: Fall 2018 & Spring 2019

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| Kayshona Acquaye | Ian Johnson |
| Joel Aiejos | Nash Kuebler |
| Kaya Beltz | Maya Miller |
| Corbin Cool | Kimberly Morrow |
| Claire Caulis | Seth Phelps |
| Gourtney Dies | Luke Phelps-Roper |
| Boaz Drain | Taylor Province |
| Dawson Essary | Irvin Reinert |
| Alexis Gaudreau | Joshua Rohr |
| Mara Gilbreath | Regan Rohr |
| Christopher Hargreaves | Kaitlyn Shima |
| Alexis Harrison | Lithan Sims |
| Gideon Hockenharger | Samantha Smith |
| | Aianna Walker |

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SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

Hello and welcome back to school!

I have been getting lots of questions and request for scholarships. There are 3 types of scholarships: national, state/local, and university based. Your largest scholarships come from the university that you are going to attend and are based on your ACT and GPA, so right now it is good to focus on studying and making those scores the best they can be. Information about the ACT and how to study for it can be found on the Topeka West website at <http://terc.nelnetsolutions.com/list/practicetests> there are lots of resources for studying for testing, keep scrolling down, the ACT section is toward the bottom of the page, also Mr. Schnacker teaches an ACT prep class and does ACT prep over seminar. State and local scholarships are the second most common scholarships to receive. Right now there are not any state/local scholarships available but most of these scholarships require an academic resume and 2 to 3 letters of reference, which you can be working on to have ready. These applications usually start coming out late in the fall, watch announcements for them.

National scholarships are available now and here are a few websites where you can find them:

<http://scholarships4students.com/>
<http://www.free-4u.com/>
<http://www.scholarshipexperts.com/>
<http://www.fastweb.com/>
<https://niche.com/>
<https://www.collegeexpress.com/>
<https://www.goingmerry.com/>

Most scholarships are for seniors but there is Raise Me Up are available for freshman through seniors. Here are a few of the scholarships that are available now:

Raise Me UP!

<https://www.raise.me/join/ku>

--Students beginning freshman year can earn scholarship money to more than 400 U.S. colleges and universities including KU, K-State, and Washburn for doing things that they already do like take foreign language classes, belong to clubs, volunteer, etc. This is linked through the KU page, but it registers you for the program at all affiliated colleges and universities.

Gates Scholarship

<http://www.thegatesscholarship.org/scholarship>

--Deadline Sept. 15
--Full scholarship (tuition, books, room and board)
--Must be Pell-eligible, minority, U.S. citizen
--3.3 or greater GPA

Quest Bridge

<http://www.questbridge.org/>

--ACT, Two letters of recommendation, transcript
--Selection criteria is based on academic achievement, financial qualification and personal circumstances
--Full tuition to a number of upper tier schools including Dartmouth, Columbia, Charleston, Caltech, and others.

Remember: You CANNOT get scholarships that you DO NOT apply for!



THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS HEALTH SYSTEM

ST. FRANCIS CAMPUS

Medical Explorer Post Roundup

7–8:30 p.m., Monday, September 23, 2019

at The University of Kansas Health System St. Francis Campus

1700 SW 7th St., Topeka, KS 66606

Meeting rooms 1 and 2 on the second floor

What is the Medical Explorer Post Program?

This is a program open to young men and women, ages 15-20, with an interest in learning more about careers in healthcare. Join other students to explore opportunities in the healthcare field through hands-on activities and monthly meetings with healthcare professionals. Initial membership fee is \$25 and includes a Medical Explorer t-shirt. Annual fee of \$40 begins January 2020.

Interested in learning more?

You are invited to attend our Medical Explorer Post Roundup to learn more about the program and meet staff and other explorers in the program. You will also have the opportunity to travel through the different healthcare stations for hands-on activities and demonstrations. Refreshments will be provided. **Parents are welcome to attend!**

Directions

Park in the parking garage on the west side of the hospital at Mulvane and 6th Street, then take the sky bridge across. Signs will be posted to lead you to the rooms.

Explore with us and discover your future!

For more information about the Medical Explorer Post Program or this event, please email kimberly.mohan@kutopeka.com or call **785-295-8644**.





28th Annual 5K Fundraiser - Race Against Breast Cancer

Saturday, October 5, 2019 - 7:00 AM

7:00 am- Topeka West High School Courtyard

- Onsite Registration/Registration Packet Pickup starts
- Silent Auction and Sales
- Light refreshments in cafeteria

8:45 am – Topeka West High School west parking lot

- Warm up; runners move to the starting line

9:00 am – Belle Avenue starting line

- Runners start the 28th annual 5K
- Walkers start after the runners

9:45 – 10:00 am – Topeka West High School Courtyard

- Runner award ceremony begins

10:30 am – Topeka West High School Practice field

- Pink Out Color Fun Run starts



Phone – 785-861-8800

1615 SW 8th Avenue. – Topeka, KS 66606

Fax – 785-478-5991

GraceMed Health Clinic is offering on-site portable dental services through our Dental Outreach Program to your child's school during the 2019-2020 school year. Extended Care Permit Hygienists will be coming to provide oral health education, dental screenings, cleanings, sealants if needed and fluoride application. We invite you to take advantage of this service to improve your child's oral health. All children are eligible for these services; however, if you already have a dental home or have seen a dentist within the past year, please continue to see your dentist for routine care.

GraceMed Health Clinic is offering on-site dental services through the Dental Outreach Program to your child's school during the 2019-2020 school year. The online consent can be found at <https://gracemed.org/dental-consent#dental-consent-form>. We invite you to take advantage of this service to improve your child's oral health. All children are eligible for these services; however, if you already have a dental home or have seen a dentist within the past year, please continue to see your dentist for routine care.

La clínica de salud GraceMed está ofreciendo servicios dentales en el sitio a través de nuestro Programa de Extensión Dental a la escuela de su hijo/a durante el año escolar 2019-2020. El consentimiento en línea se puede encontrar en: <https://gracemed.org/dental-consent#dental-consent-form>. Lo invitamos a aprovechar este servicio para mejorar la salud bucal de su hijo/a. Todos los niños son elegibles para estos servicios; sin embargo, si ya tiene un hogar dental o ha visto a un dentista en el último año, continúe visitando a su dentista para recibir atención de rutina.

Complete this form if you want your child to receive a dental cleaning, sealants and fluoride.

If you see a dentist regularly for cleanings and exams DO NOT fill out this form.

| Student Information | |
|--|---|
| Name: _____ | Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female |
| Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ | Phone#: _____ |
| Address: _____ | City: _____ Zip Code: _____ |
| School Name: _____ | Grade 2017-2018 school year: _____ |
| Race: <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaska Native <input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian <input type="checkbox"/> Other Pacific <input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian /White <input type="checkbox"/> More Than One Race | |
| Ethnicity: <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Not Hispanic/Latino | |

When did your child last visit the dentist? In the past 6 months In the past year More than a year Never
 What is the name of the dentist? _____

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|---|--|
| GraceMed will be processing all insurance claims on your behalf. | |
| (please check all that apply) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> KanCare # _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> No Insurance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Private Dental Insurance | <input type="checkbox"/> Eligible for free/reduced lunch |

List any known allergies: _____

Medical Conditions (check all that apply)

Artificial Heart Valve Heart Murmur Congenital Heart Disorder
 Heart Trouble/Disease Artificial Joint Hepatitis
 Asthma Diabetes Seizure Disorder JAD&D Autism

Medications
 Please list all current medications: _____

Is your child required by a physician to take a pre-medication (an antibiotic) prior to dental treatment? No Yes
 If yes, for what condition? _____

Other Medical Conditions/Surgeries/Hospitalizations with dates, if possible: _____

I am the parent or legal guardian/custodian and give my consent for above named child to receive any dental treatment considered by the hygienist necessary for prevention of dental disease. This includes dental screenings, cleanings, fluoride application and dental sealants. I understand I will be given a written report to notify me of what services he/she received. I will contact GraceMed if I do not receive a written report and also after my child's appointment. Information from my child's participation in this special event will be utilized anonymously for statistical purposes. Information that identifies my child or family will never be disclosed in any form or publication. GraceMed will treat all patient information as protected health information under HIPAA regulations, exchanging the PHI only with personnel employed by them and the facility/school that are responsible for medical treatment and/or research. The above information is true to the best of my knowledge. If any change occurs during the year, I will contact GraceMed. I authorize GraceMed to release the information necessary to process insurance claims and authorize payment directly to GraceMed. This consent is in effect for one calendar year from date of your signature.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Name (printed) _____



JROTC

Topeka West High School



Who we are: The mission of JROTC is to motivate young people to be better citizens. JROTC is fundamentally a leadership development program. Our curriculum covers leadership, communication, civics, health, and career development. Our leadership development program is a high school elective, and cadets are not in any way required to join or commit to join the military.

Important Dates in September:

3-4 Sept: First Uniform wear (wear uniform on day of JROTC class)

3 Sept: JROTC Booster Club meeting 6:30 PM at the LET Center

7 Sept: Clinton Raider Meet in Clinton, MO

7 Sept: Resers Picnic Fundraiser

11 Sept: 911 Ceremony at Circle Drive at 8:40. Families are welcome!

21 Sept: Des Moines Raider Meet in Des Moines, IA

28 Sept: Smith Cotton Raider Meet in Sedalia, MO



Pictures from Battalion Organizational Day 24 Aug 2019

If you have any questions at all, don't hesitate to contact:

LTC James E Hall, 785-438-4031, jhall2@tps501.org

SFC Angel Romero, 785-438-4110, aromero@tps501.org

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TWestJROTC/>



27th Annual

Pancake Feed!

All-You-Can-Eat

Perkins Pancakes

plus sausage and beverage

Also bid on your favorite basket at our Silent Basket Auction.
Proceeds will support the award-winning
Topeka West Charger Band.

Saturday, September 28, 2019

7 a.m. – Noon Topeka West HS Cafeteria –
2001 S.W. Fairlawn Road

Tickets: \$5 in advance from band members, \$6 at the door
Call the TWCB band office at 785-438-4045 for more info.

CRIME PREVENTION AND SAFETY TIPS

KEEPING YOUR VALUABLES SAFE

To elevate problems we've had from prior years with items being stolen from several locations on our campus "KEEP YOUR VALUABLES SAFE". Some hot spots of activity include gym locker rooms, gyms, and parking lots.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLE ITEMS

Locked in locker room lockers, unattended on benches inside the locker room, or, bleachers inside the gyms. We ask you utilize your hall lockers for valuables during PE classes. Please lock your vehicle making sure all valuable items are out of view.

Please take a moment to "KEEP YOUR VALUABLES SAFE", or they may not be there!

SEXTING

There is school discipline for sexting and also possibly criminal charges for students who possess or distribute images that are considered child pornography (Sexting). What is Sexting?

Sexting is the practice of sending or posting sexually suggestive text messages and images, including nude or semi-nude photographs via cellular phones or over the internet. According to a report on Teens and Sexting, issued on pewinternet.org, sexting by teens occurs most often in one of three scenarios;

- .Pictures are exchanged by romantic partners;
- .Pictures exchanged by romantic partners are shared outside the relationship; or
- .Pictures are exchanged by people not yet in a relationship, but where one of the individuals hopes to start a relationship with the other.

Students who possess the images could be prosecuted for possessing or distributing child pornography and may be required to register as sex offenders. Sexting may also have tragic consequences. Often sexting begins as a photo intended for one person, but when the relationship goes awry the photo is widely disseminated.



TPS Sergeant Donnie Kennedy (785.438.4002)

TPS Officer Jack Reynolds (785.438.4058)



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- View your child's account balance online, anytime
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- Set up automatic e-mail reminders to notify you when the balance is low

MyPaymentsPlus has many other benefits:

- Speeds up serving lines in the cafeteria, providing more time for students to eat their meals
- Eliminates the worry of lost or forgotten lunch money
- Ensures that your student will receive a nutritious meal

Parents are encouraged to create
a FREE account at:
www.MyPaymentsPlus.com

Signing up is FREE and easy!

- Visit www.MyPaymentsPlus.com
- Click "Register a FREE account" and follow the simple onscreen instructions
- Add your student by using their Student ID number



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Once you complete your free registration, enter your login information below.

Username:

Password:

www.MyPaymentsPlus.com

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SEPTEMBER 2019

High School Menu

Snack Bar

Salad Bar

Monday

Labor Day 2
NO SCHOOL

History of LABOR DAY: Honoring the social and economic achievements of American workers. Labor Day became a federal holiday in 1894.

Donut or Chicken N Waffle Sandwich 9

Corn dog
Crispy Chicken Wings w/Biscuit
Cheeseburger w/ Onion Rings
Bean&Cheese Chile Relleno Burrito
Hummus, Pita Chips, Cinn. Gram

Donut or Filled Cinn Toast Bar 16

Personal Pepperoni Pizza
Spicy Chicken Sandwich
Cheeseburger w/Fries
Pepper Jack Enchiladas
Veggie Burger w/Fries

Donut or Breakfast Tornado 23

Chicken Fajita Wrap
Country Fried Steak Sandwich
Cheeseburger w/ Onion Rings
Bean&Cheese Chile Relleno Burrito
Hummus, Pita Chips, Cinn. Gram

Donut or Pancakes&*Sausage 30

Sloppy Joe
Buffalo Chicken Bitesw/CinnGram
Cheeseburger w/Fries
Pepper Jack Enchiladas
Veggie Burger w/Fries

Tuesday

Funfetti PancakesorYogurt Parfait 3
Celebrate September Birthdays!

Fiesta Pizza
Shrimp Poppers w/String Cheese
Chicken Wings w/Biscuit & ORings
Stuffed Crust Pizza
Apple Slices w/PB,CheezIts, Gram
Birthday Bar (ALL)*Sour Raisels*

*Pancake Porky or Yogurt Parfait 10

Dix Cheddar Mac N Cheese w/CB
Beef Soft Tacos
Big Daddy's Pizza w/Fries
Veggie Stuffed Crust Pizza
Veggie Burger w/Fries

Breakfast Pizza or Yogurt Parfait 17

Crispitos w/Cheese sauce
Buffalo Chicken Bites w/Cheez Its
Chicken Wings w/Biscuit & ORings
Stuffed Crust Pizza
Apple Slices w/PB, CheezIts, Gram

SausEggCh Pizza or Yogurt Parfait 24

Chicken Rings w/Chortles& a Roll
Fish & Cheese Sandwich
Big Daddy's Pizza w/Fries
Veggie Stuffed Crust Pizza
Veggie Burger w/Fries
Strawberry Mango Sidekick

Wednesday

*BYO Breakfast Bowl 4

All Beef Hot Dog
Dix Panini Grilled Chicken Sand.
Spicy Chicken Wrap w/Fries
Fiesta Burrito
Black Bean Burger w/Fries
Kiwi Strawberry Sidekick

*BYO Breakfast Burrito 11

Hamburger Sliders
Stuffed Crust Cheese Pizza
Rodeo Grilled Chicken w/Fries
Yogurt w/String Ch,CheezIts, Gram
Pintos N Pico w/Tortilla Chips

*BYO Breakfast Bowl 18

Fr. Toast w/*Sausage & St.Cheese
Cheese & Chile Quesadilla
Spicy Chicken Wrap w/Fries
Fiesta Burrito
Black Bean Burger w/Fries
Fun & Fitness Cookies (ALL)

*BYO Breakfast Burrito 25

Bosco Cheese Dippers w/Sauce
Cheese & Chile Quesadilla
Oriental Chicken w/Rice& Eggroll
Rodeo Grilled Chicken w/Fries
Yogurt w/String Ch,CheezIts, Gram
Pintos N Pico w/Tortilla Chips

Thursday

Cinn. Roll or Breakfast Pizza 5

Chicken Nuggets w/Rolls
Pepper Jack Enchiladas
Country Fried Steak Sand. w/ Fries
Mac N Cheese
Hummus, Pita Chips, & Graham

Cinn. Roll or New B&G Pizza 12

Burrito w/Chips & Queso
Spicy Chicken Wrap
Pizza Burger w/Fries
Cheese & Chile Quesadilla
Black Beans w/Rice & Graham
Blue Rasp Lemon Sidekick

Cinn. Roll or Morning Sausage Roll 19

Crispy Chicken Bites w/Rolls
Enchiladas w/Seasoned Rice
Country Fried Steak Sand. W/ Fries
Mac N Cheese
Hummus, Pita Chips, & Graham

Cinn. Roll or Fr. Toast &*Saus 26

Baked Spaghetti w/Garlic Toast
*BBQ Pork Sandwich w/Coleslaw
Pizza Burger w/Fries
Cheese & Chile Quesadilla
Black Beans w/Rice & Graham
Blue Rasp. Applesauce Cup

Friday

Fresh Donut or as/Sandwich 6
Go Chiefs!

Taco Salad w/Salsa
*Assorted Pizza
Spicy Chicken Sandwich w/Fries
Stuffed Crust Cheese/Veggie Pizza
Black Bean Salsa w/Tortilla Chips
Chiefs Sidekick Slush*

Fresh Donut or as/Sandwich 13

Pancakes & *Sausage w/St.Cheese
*Assorted Pizza
Corn Dog w/Fries
Stuffed Crust Cheese/Veggie Pizza
Black Bean Burger w/Fries
Strawberry Fruit Cup

Fresh Donut or as/Sandwich 20

Ch. Ravioli w/Garlic T. & Cookies
*Assorted Pizza
Spicy Chicken Sandwich w/Fries
Stuffed Crust Cheese/Veggie Pizza
Black Bean Salsa w/Tortilla Chips

Fresh Donut or as/Sandwich 27

Deluxe Cheeseburger
*Assorted Pizza
Corn Dog w/Fries
Stuffed Crust Cheese/Veggie Pizza
Black Bean Burger w/Fries

High School Meal Prices

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Breakfast | Lunch |
| Reduced 30/ \$6.00 | Reduced 40/ \$8.00 |
| Full Pay \$1.70/ \$34.00 | Full Pay \$2.70/ \$54.00 |

MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE * = Pork

This institution is an equal opportunity provider

Nutrition Tip: Your children benefit from healthier meals that include more whole grains, fruits and vegetables, low-fat dairy products, lower sodium foods, and less saturated fat. Talk to your child about the changes in the meals served at school.



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| REGULAR | Monday/Tuesday/Friday | Wednesday | Thursday |
| | 1ST: 7:55 - 8:42 2ND: 8:47 - 9:34 3RD: 9:39 - 10:26 SEMINAR: 10:31 - 11:02 4TH: 11:07 - 11:54 | 2ND: 7:55 - 9:29 3RD: 9:35 - 10:22 SEMINAR: 10:27 - 11:10 | 1ST: 7:55 - 9:29 3RD: 9:35 - 10:22 SEMINAR: 10:27 - 11:10 |
| | 5TH: 1ST LUNCH: 11:54 - 12:24 CLASS: 12:29 - 1:16 | 4TH: 1ST LUNCH: 11:15 - 11:45 CLASS: 11:45 - 1:20 | 5TH: 1ST LUNCH: 11:15 - 11:45 CLASS: 11:45 - 1:20 |
| | 2ND LUNCH: 12:46 - 1:16 CLASS: 11:59 - 12:46 | 2ND LUNCH: 12:50 - 1:20 CLASS: 11:15 - 12:50 | 2ND LUNCH: 12:50 - 1:20 CLASS: 11:15 - 12:50 |
| | 6TH: 1:21 - 2:08 7TH: 2:13 - 3:00 | 6TH: 1:26 - 3:00 | 7TH: 1:26 - 3:00 |
| | 1ST LUNCH: BUILDINGS - A, B, C, MEDIA, ANNEXES 2ND LUNCH: D, E, SCIENCE, GYM | | |



Topeka Public Schools

District Calendar // 2019-2020 #WeAreTPS

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| JULY 2019 | AUGUST 2019 | SEPTEMBER 2019 |
| OCTOBER 2019 | NOVEMBER 2019 | DECEMBER 2019 |
| JANUARY 2020 | FEBRUARY 2020 | MARCH 2020 |
| APRIL 2020 | MAY 2020 | JUNE 2020 |

- AUGUST**
 - 6 Staff on duty; No students
 - 13 First day of school, K-5, 9th grade, Capital City High School, Hope Street Academy
 - 14 All students report
- SEPTEMBER**
 - 2 Labor Day - No school
- OCTOBER**
 - 9 End of quarter
 - 10 Staff professional development; No students
 - 11 TPP, No school
 - 14 Start of quarter
 - 23 Parent Teacher Conferences
 - 24 Parent Teacher Conferences - No school
 - 25 No school
- NOVEMBER**
 - 27-29 Thanksgiving break, No school
- DECEMBER**
 - 20 End of quarter
 - 23-31 Winter break, No school
- JANUARY**
 - 1-2 Winter break, No school
 - 3 TPP, No school
 - 6 Staff professional development; No students
 - 7 Start of quarter
 - 20 Martin Luther King, Jr Day, No school
- FEBRUARY**
 - 19 Parent Teacher Conferences
 - 20 Parent Teacher Conferences - No school
 - 21 No school
- MARCH**
 - 6 End of quarter
 - 9-13 Spring break, No school
 - 16 TPP, No school
 - 17 Start of quarter
- APRIL**
 - 27 Staff professional development; No students
- MAY**
 - 16 High school commencement
 - 20 Last day for 6th and 7th grade
 - 21 Last day for all classes - half day
 - 21 Staff professional development, half day
 - 22 TPP, No school
 - 23 Alternate back-up date for commencement

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| KEY | Staff Duty Day (School Session) | Staff Duty Day (No Students) | Parent Teacher Conference | Beginning of Term/Session | End of Term/Session |
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The Topeka Public Schools, United School District No. 501 is committed to diverse education and equal opportunity. No person shall, on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender, genetic information or ethnicity, national origin, ancestry, or marital status be subjected to discrimination in any program or activity provided by the school district. The district will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender, genetic information or ethnicity in its policies, practices, or procedures. The Board of Education has designated the following as the district's equal opportunity coordinator: The Assistant Superintendent, for Teaching/Learning/Student Services, the District Office, 2000 West 10th Street, Topeka, KS 66604. The district's Board of Education has designated the following as the district's equal opportunity coordinator: The Assistant Superintendent, for Teaching/Learning/Student Services, the District Office, 2000 West 10th Street, Topeka, KS 66604. The district's Board of Education has designated the following as the district's equal opportunity coordinator: The Assistant Superintendent, for Teaching/Learning/Student Services, the District Office, 2000 West 10th Street, Topeka, KS 66604. The district's Board of Education has designated the following as the district's equal opportunity coordinator: The Assistant Superintendent, for Teaching/Learning/Student Services, the District Office, 2000 West 10th Street, Topeka, KS 66604.

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