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FOR THE PARENTS,
STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY
OF TEAGUE MIDDLE SCHOOL





### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

#### **NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Happy Holidays!

The first semester is ending, and we have an opportunity to start afresh. I hope your holidays are filled with warmth and quality time spent with those you love. TI want to remind you that we now require all students to wear School Issue ID Badges. Students can enter buildings, board school buses, purchase food from the cafeteria, and more. The badges also significantly enhance safety. If your child has lost their badge, they can purchase a new one for \$ 2.00 through myschoolbucks.com.

Here are suggestions for our students for the New Year!

- Get More Sleep
- Do not Procrastinate
- Practice Healthy Habits
- Focus on Learning
- Study Better
- Be a Good Listener
- Ask for Feedback from your teacher

We are working hard to promote positive relationships, increase a sense of safety on our campus, and of course, increase academic achievement. Students and teachers are disaggregating data to determine where our focus should be. Please help us by ensuring your student comes prepared to take advantage of the amazing educational opportunities available to them here at Teague Middle School.

I want to remind you about our tutorial sessions which are available on Tuesdays and Thursday afternoons.

I invite your continued participation as a member of the Teague Middle School family. Hopefully by now you have found your calling as a supporting member of School Advisory Council, PTSA, or as a Dividend. Your support is critical in providing

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**Positive Behavior Support Mission Statement:** To institutionalize a consistent positive culture supported by the school community where expectations are clearly identified, communicated, and understood for positive behavior and mutual respect.

Please visit our website for more information about our school.

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# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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the level of services to our students necessary to ensure academic success. Be sure to check out our school's website at https://teague.scps.k12.fl.us/. We also have a Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/TeagueMSTigers which is loaded with information about Teague activities.

As always, if there are concerns regarding your student, do not hesitate to contact me. Let us know if we can do more to support your students' achievement.

Thank you for the privilege of educating your child. It is our pleasure.

Respectfully, Connie E. Collins, Ed.D Principal



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#### TARDY POLICY

- Tardy 1-Warning
- Tardy 2- Lunch Detention
- Tardy 3- Wednesday After School Detention
- Tardy 4- Discipline Referral
- Please arrive to class in a timely manner.
- Tardies reset every 9 weeks.
- Please check your email for MINGA notifications.





#### **GUIDANCE**

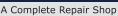
It's hard to believe that we are already halfway through this school year. As we transition into second semester, the guidance team is already looking for planning for the 2025-2026 school year. Please be on the lookout for important information that will be coming home regarding course selection requests, transition meetings, and articulation. Some important reminders and dates include:

- Innovation Night: Tuesday, January 14, 2025 @ 6:00 pm
- Elementary Visits: Week of January 27, 2025
- Current Teague Registration Visits through Science Classes: Week of February 3, 2025
- Lake Brantley Patriot Preview: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 @ Lake Brantley As always, we are still here to support your student on campus with any of their personal or academic needs. Please feel free to contact us if we can be of any assistance.
- Stacey Andersen (Serving students with last names A-K) Anderssn@scps.k12.fl.us
- Jill Halsey (Serving students with last names L-Z) jill\_halsey@scps.k12.fl.us

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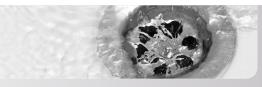
#### **TESTING**

- Save the Dates 1/8/25 and 1/9/25
- State Progress Monitoring Test Days
- Wednesday, January 8th FAST PM2 READING - All grade levels
- Thursday, January 9th FAST PM2 MATH and STAR Algebra & Geometry - All grade levels





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#### CIVICS

This quarter in Civics we have studied the Constitution, The Branches of Government, and The Amendments to the Constitution. We completed our DBQ on the Declaration of Independence last quarter and are getting ready to begin another in the 3rd 9 Weeks. At the end of this quarter, we are talking about the amendments to the Constitution and highlighting the freedoms and rights that students are granted in the Bill of Rights and other amendments. This is a fun topic to talk about and show students the freedoms they have in this country. This quarter we have had a great opportunity to talk about the recent elections and examine the results. Students even participated in a mock election with other students across the district voting for President/Vice President and State Senator.

We are continually preparing for the End of Course exam in May and we are offering tutoring for students to help them prepare for the EOC. If you are interested in tutoring, contact your students Civics teacher for more information about how to become

Mr. Knorr, Mr. Cromer, & Mr. Rish

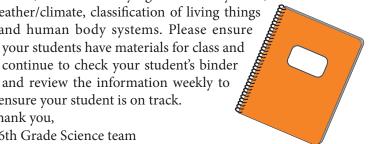
#### **6TH GRADE SCIENCE**

Sixth grade Science has enjoyed the first semester with 4 units. We have learned about scientific processes, forces and energy, and the shaping of earth's surface in Semester 1. In semester 2, we will be studying the Earth's systems,

weather/climate, classification of living things and human body systems. Please ensure your students have materials for class and continue to check your student's binder

ensure your student is on track. Thank you,

The 6th Grade Science team





#### 8TH GRADE SCIENCE

Happy New Year from the 8th grade Science team and welcome to the second semester! 8th grade students will now study the following units: 5- Earth/ Moon/ Sun System, 6-Our Solar System, and 7- The Universe for the beginning of the second semester. This should mostly be review from previous years so we will be able to cover a few gaps due to the new curriculum. These gaps will include the electromagnetic spectrum and systems of the human body.

Parents and guardians, please be sure your child has a pencil and their science notebook daily. The pencil supply is running low, and we may run out soon. Please ensure that your student is studying their unit vocabulary every night for at least 5 minutes. The continuous practice will help prepare them for their weekly vocab quizzes, unit assessments, and the last Quarterly Benchmark Assessment.

A very fun field trip is coming up for all 8th grade students at Teague! We will be going to Sea World! The field trip is not finalized, but please keep an eye out for more information to be sent home with your student.





# BAND

The Teague Tiger Band has some exciting news! Nathan Lester has been Selected to participate in the 2025 All-State Honor Band! We also had 5 students make it into the 2025 All-County band and they are: Caitlin Shields, Iliana Rodriquez, Joy Rottjer, Jayden Rodriguez, and Elise Miller. Be on the lookout for our Spring Concert May 5th at 7:00pm in the Lake Brantley High School Auditorium.





#### **TEAGUE SPEECH AND DEBATE TEAM**

Speech and Debate club continues to meet in Mrs.

Holloway's room on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-5 PM. The speech and debate team welcomes everyone! Please scan the QR Code below to complete the school sponsored activity parental authorization form.



Students have been working on speech and debate topics regularly and have competed in 4 Florida Regional Civics and Debate tournaments so far! A special shout out to Arwen Willemsen, Alexis Brasoveanu and Joy Rottjer for their outstanding contribution and leadership of our team!







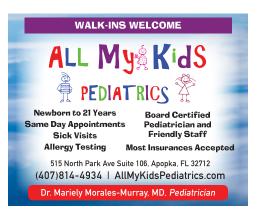


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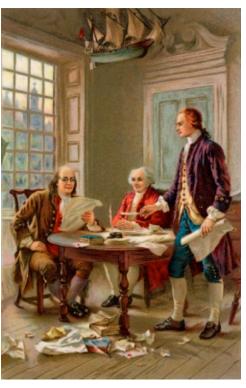


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#### 8TH GRADE U.S. HISTORY

During the 3rd Nine Weeks Grading Period, the students will be learning about the following topics: Starting A New Nation, Westward Expansion, Jacksonian Democracy, North and South, and Reform Movements. All students will take the U.S. History Benchmark Standards Assessment at the end of the 3rd Nine Weeks grading period.

During the 4th Nine Weeks Grading Period, the 8th grade students will be learning the following content in U.S. History: REFORM MOVEMENTS, A NATION DIVIDING (includes DBQ), CIVIL WAR, AND RECONSTRUCTION.

Please note: Students can find the textbook online in the "CLEVER" Portal. Students, please click on the purple "TCI" tile to access the online textbook because TCI is the name of the textbook publisher.

ALL PRE-AP U.S. History students will be working on the "National History Day" project, which will be due mid-February 2025. This year's NHD theme is "RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN HISTORY" Most of the NHD project is to be completed at home whether you are working individually or working in a group. Please refer to the NHD website for the rules and rubrics for each project category." The website for students to use is www.nhd.org



Most importantly, all 8th grade students will be registering for their high school schedule sometime in January 2025. \*\*Parents—please review the schedule that your child creates for LBHS next year! Students should turn in their LBHS Registration Forms in a timely manner. Thank you! \*\* IF your child will be attending another high school besides LBHS, the guidance counselors will be sure to help him or her register. The Teague Guidance Department can be reached at 407-320-1554. \*\*

Eighth grade students need to be prepared for the academic rigor and expectations of turning in all work in a timely manner to succeed in high school. Please know that LATE WORK WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED DURING THE 3RD AND 4TH NINE WEEKS unless you have an excused absence or absences. Having a positive growth mindset and staying organized will help you reach your full potential!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND SUPPORT! Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns: Mr. Klump (tom\_klump@scps.k12.fl.us), Mr. King (dave\_king @scps.k12.fl.us) and Ms. Manuel (melissa\_manuel@scps.k12.fl.us).







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Hello Teague Families!

We are excited about the new year and all the fantastic events we have planned for you and your student(s)! Here's what's coming up:

#### **Spirit Night at Tijuana Flats!**

When: January 8th, 4-9 p.m. Where: Tijuana Flats, Hunt Club

Come join us for a fun night out and enjoy some delicious Tex-Mex and tacos as we kick off the new year. Just mention *Teague* when you order, and a portion of the proceeds will go back to our school. It's a great way to support our community while enjoying a tasty meal!



#### **Sweetheart Dance**

**When**: February 12th, 3-5 p.m. **Where**: Teague Cafeteria

Love is in the air, and we're ready to celebrate! The Sweetheart Dance is the perfect way to enjoy Valentine's Day. Tickets are just \$5 and will be available for purchase in the cafeteria the week leading up to the event. We accept cash, check, and Apple Pay!

#### Farmers Market with Second Harvest Food Bank

Thanks to our partnership with Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida, we're offering a **Farmers Marketstyle** distribution once a month. Students and the community can pick up fresh fruits and vegetables from 12-3 p.m. Don't forget to check the Teague PTSA Facebook page for upcoming dates!

#### **Monthly Spirit Wear Sale**

When: 2nd Friday of every month

Where: Teague Cafeteria

It's time to show off your Teague spirit! Stop by the cafeteria on the 2nd Friday of each month to grab some cool gear. Here's what's available:

- Teague Tiger Croc Charms: \$2
- Dri-Fits & Tees: \$15
- Sweatshirts: \$20
- Hoodies: \$25

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Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing you at these fun events throughout the year! Go Teague Tigers!

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Tryout announcements will be made during lunches and info will be sent out at the beginning of semester 2.

The schedule for Teague for 2025:

- January 22-Millenium at Teague
- January 29- Greenwood at Teague
- February 5- Teague at Sanford
- February 12- Markham at Teague
- February 22- County Meet at Lake Mary High 8am





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