

MAP Testing starts on Sunday

Beginning on September 10th, all middle school students will begin MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) testing. A MAP test is an external (not made by us), computer-based assessment which gives us important information about each student to help plan instruction in the areas of math, language usage, and reading. These results are one of several pieces of data that we use for this purpose. MAP testing also is one indicator to chart student growth over time. We do not use MAP test results to determine academic achievement grades. MAP testing occurs in the fall and in the spring, and generally is stretched out over the course of three weeks. Our MAP testing window this year is from September 10-October 1.

How can I help my student be prepared?

- There is no studying or extra preparation necessary for MAP testing. We want your child to do their best, based on what they know and can do.
- Please be sure that your child is well-rested and has a good breakfast.
- Discuss with your child the importance of giving their best effort on each test. The data that the test provides is important to their teachers and ultimately will help their teachers to help each child learn and grow to their full potential.

Middle School After School Activities

At the TAISM Middle School, it is our goal to provide quality after school opportunities for students. The purpose of these activities is to enhance our sense of community, provide opportunities for students to pursue areas of interest, and to give students opportunities to get to know other students and staff, outside the classroom.

Each month, our newsletter will provide information about ASA opportunities coming up. Beyond the seasonal sports and drama opportunities listed below, there are clubs and after school groups that will be offered. Students will be made aware of the upcoming activities during our Sunday all-school meeting, with parent information coming in our newsletters, and posted on our activities bulletin board, in the Old Middle School Commons. Interested MS students can just show up; there are no formal signing up procedures. While there will be many opportunities for our students, it is important to note that there is a commitment involved in participating, and students will have to make choices. As the full range of opportunities are publicized, we encourage parents and students to work together to prioritize activities and make those appropriate choices.

MS AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Math Lab

Math assistance for Mr. Johnson's math

MASH

Math After School Help for Mr. Campbell math students.

Mini-Makerspace

Calling all scientists & engineers! Do you have a design you want to build, an experiment you want to test, or want to learn a skill or two? Bring your goals to the makerspace to collaborate with peers and get support to develop your ideas and expertise.

Spanish Club

Come hang out with friends and practice your Spanish! Activities to be decided by the club members. Options include: playing indoor and outdoor games together, watching videos and movies, listening to music, dancing, reading, making up skits and stories, or even making crafts.

Power Hour - Want to work on your homework before you go home? Need some help from a teacher? If you answered "yes" to either of these questions, Power Hour might be for you. Power Hour is a quiet, supervised homework time where you will have access to a laptop, if needed, and teacher assistance.

SCHOOL MEAL PLAN - WEEK 4

DAILY LUNCH COMBO MAIN+SIDE+DESSERT+DRINK

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Pepperoni Pizza or Margherita Pizza Garlic Bread Steamed finger carrots Whole Fruit - Banana Fresh fruit juice, milk, water	Spaghetti bolognese or Chili con beans Plain spaghetti Stemed green vegetables Mango Mousse Fresh fruit juice, milk, water	Beef Tacos or Chili bean tacos Guacamole sauce and lettuce Cut raw vegetables Whole fruit - apple Fresh fruit juice, milk, water	English Stew or Spinach lasagna Steamed rice Steamed vegetables Brownie Fresh fruit juice, milk, water	Mini beef burger or Vegetable burger Roasted potato chips Mayonnaise coleslaw Whole fruit Fresh fruit juice, milk, water
MS & HS	MS & HS	MS & HS	MS & HS	MS & HS
Pepperoni Pizza or Margherita Pizza Garlic bread, Asian Coleslaw with honey dressing Whole Fruit - Banana Fresh fruit juice, milk, water	Chili con carne beef or Chili con carne beans Steamed white rice Steamed green vegetables Mango Mousse Fresh fruit juice, milk, water	Beef tacos or Chili bean tacos Guacamole sauce and lettuce Cut raw vegetables Whole fruit - apple Fresh fruit juice, milk, water	English Stew or Spinach lasagna Steamed rice Steamed vegetables Brownie Fresh fruit juice, milk, water	Mini beef burger or Vegetable burger Roasted potato chips Mayonnaise coleslaw Whole fruit Fresh fruit juice, milk, water
Soup of the Day (800bs): Leak & Potato Salad Bar 1 OMR	Soup of the Day (800bs): Sweet Corn Salad Bar 1 OMR	Soup of the Day (800bs): Spinach Salad Bar 1 OMR	Soup of the Day (800bs): Broccoli Salad Bar 1 OMR	Soup of the Day (800bs): Tomato Salad Bar 1 OMR



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ES Fall Festival Start-Up Meeting

The annual TAISM ES Fall Festival is a memorable, fun-filled event for all ES students and their families, thanks to the efforts of our wonderful parents and MS/HS student volunteers.

We are getting ready to celebrate this year's ES Fall Festival on Thursday, November 2, 2017. To know more about this wonderful event and to find out how you can be part of the same, please join us for the **Elementary Fall Festival Start-Up Meeting on Sunday, September 10, 2017 at 8:45 am, in the ES Cafeteria.**

Learn to Swim Registration is on Saturday, October 21st! More information coming soon!



Join TAISM Parent Volunteers!

There are so many great opportunities for parents to participate and get involved with our school community. Simply copy the link given below to your browser, and add your name to the TAISM Volunteers' list, to get regular notifications about our volunteering opportunities. For further information or assistance, please contact Natasha Fernandes, Parent Volunteer Coordinator at fernandesna@taism.com

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