TECHNOLOGY TIPS

Computers and other technological devices are fundamental tools that all people use today. Who can remember driving using an atlas or paper map?! I can, but today’s children, and even some of our young guardians/parents have never known a world without technology. At High Plains we have a lot of technology for our students to access and use throughout the day, but our goal with technology is to help students use it (and the right tech tools for the job) beyond consumption. Throughout their Bison journey students will use technology to learn, experience, and create. Technology during the day is intentional and purposeful.

At home families can also help children use and manage technology so it isn’t all consuming. This article has 4 tips and links to other resources to support children in using technology in authentic and useful ways while also allowing them to experience the world without tech for a little while too. Enjoy!

Danielle Feeney, Principal
LATE START SEPT. 7TH

Sept. 5th is Labor Day and no school! Sept. 6th is a Teacher Professional Development day and therefore no school for students. We’ll see our Bison on Sept. 7th; no earlier than 9am please, it’s a late start day. Happy Labor Day!

RECESS SUPERVISION

Are you looking for an opportunity to support High Plains while also enjoying our great Colorado weather and the school’s awesome views and playground? Lunch recess supervision is a great way to do just that! You can visit with your child, get to know the other children in our school, and be a role model and support for kids from kindergarten through eighth grade. Lunch recess happens every day between 10:30am-1:00pm. Volunteers are welcome to do the entire three hours, an hour, every day, once a week, or any portion that works in your schedule. Please contact Mrs. Feeney, danielle.feeney@tsd.org for details and to schedule your time.
STUDENT FEES

Student Fees have been added to each student’s Infinite Campus account. Fees are assessed annually per TSD Board policies and will continue to accrue from year to year, school to school within the Thompson School District.

You can pay your outstanding balance one of two ways:

- Credit Card payments may be done right on your student’s Infinite Campus Parent Portal account
- Pay in Person by Check - made payable to High Plains School, Credit Card OR Exact cash (we do not keep change in the school office)

Elementary (K-5th) is $32.00 and Middle School (6th-8th) is $25.00

Middle School will have Elective Fees (Ranging from $5.00-$20.00 depending on elective) added each quarter/semester depending on what Elective they take.

COVID UPDATE

Summary of Changes from 2021-22 School Year

- A negative test is not required to return from symptoms or a positive test.
- Testing is recommended for all COVID-like symptoms.
- Quarantine is no longer required for household exposures.
- Reporting is for positive tests only.

For up to date information and to report a Positive test please go to the Covid-19 tab on the Thompson School District website.
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Yearbook Sales Link

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Recognition Ad Link

Yearbook

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Schedule your school or sport physical today!
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(303) MYSALUD
1635 Blue Spruce Dr. | Fort Collins, CO
Our Care is Pino-Mite!
Medical + Pediatrics + Dental + Behavioral saludclinic.org

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YEARBOOK GAS CARD WINNERS
Thanks for turning in your PASSPORT after attending the High Plains Back To School Night on 8/11. The following folks were awarded a GAS CARD as the winners of a raffle for having their passport stamped as they visited various areas around the building. If you see them, please congratulate them - or ask them for a ride!

✓ Kate Sjoerdsma
✓ Robin Crowley
✓ Jenny Hogg
✓ Benny Reyna
✓ (and one more anonymous parent)

Thanks to everyone who provided input regarding information they would like to be featured in upcoming parent/family events. We heard your requests and are planning our learning events!

Bison Families are the BEST!

CAMPUS PARENT PORTAL
Want to view your student's school information on-line?

Infinite Campus Portal allows registered parent users access to pertinent information about their child’s attendance, grades, homework assignments, assessments, immunization records, and more. You can access Infinite Campus by clicking the link below.

https://thompsonco.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/thompson.jsp

In order to create your personal portal account, you will need to follow the instructions for English click here for Spanish click here
CROSS COUNTRY

Fall sports are here, and Cross Country is up and running! Our team practices M-F, 3:50-5:00 PM with Coach E and Coach Hulett. Students are still welcome to join our team and explore the fun of adventure running! Register here and pay here, then please scan the QR code below to join our BAND app. All skill levels are welcome. Watch this short video for a preview of what Cross Country is like. Please contact Coach E at aaron.estevez@tsd.org with any questions.

If you need weekend food support for your student(s) in the Thompson School District, please tell a teacher, principal, or counselor, or you can use this QR code to sign up for a KidsPak. There are no income or other eligibility requirements. The only information needed is your student’s name, school and grade.

Your student(s) will then be given a KidsPak on the last school day of each week that school is in session. KidsPak bags contain items for a variety of individual meals. Bags will be distributed discreetly and information will be kept confidential.

Grab and Go KidsPak food bags are also available at the Loveland Public Library and the Berthoud Public Library during business hours, and 7:30-11:30 am at the Family Center at Stansberry. www.kidspak.org

Si usted necesita apoyo alimentario de fin de semana para su(s) estudiante(s) en el Distrito Escolar de Thompson, por favor digale a un maestro, director o consejero, o puede usar este código QR para inscribirse en KidsPak. No hay requisitos de ingresos ni de otro tipo. La única información necesaria es el nombre de su estudiante, la escuela y el grado.

Su(s) estudiante(s) recibirá(n) una bolsa de KidsPak el último día de cada semana en que la escuela esté en sesión. Las bolsas KidsPak contienen artículos para una variedad de comidas individuales. Las bolsas se distribuirán discretamente y la información se mantendrá confidencial.

Las bolsas de comida KidsPak también están disponibles para agarrar e ir, en la Biblioteca Pública de Loveland y en la Biblioteca Pública de Berthoud durante las horas de trabajo, y en el Centro Familiar de Stansberry entre las 7:30 y las 11:30 am. www.kidspak.org
HPS ATHLETICS

We are still missing confirmation of payment from many athletes. Even if you have paid, we need to confirm your payment on our end. Please do one of the following:

For Online, we need to see the receipt of payment. Forward receipts to Mr. Goldsmith at Matthew.goldsmith@tsd.org.

Here's the link for online:
https://thompson.revtrak.net/middle-school-athletics/High-Plains-School/#/list

For Checks, make payable to High Plains School with the note of your student-athlete's name.

For Cash, hand money in an envelope with your student-athlete's name to a coach, Mrs. Payton, or Mr. Goldsmith and you will receive a carbon copy receipt from Mr. Goldsmith.

Payments are already overdue. Please get your athletic payments in asap.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,
Matthew Goldsmith, High Plains School Athletic Director
## 2022–2023 Calendar of Music Events

Below you will find a calendar for High Plains School events specific to the music department. Students who are performing need to arrive 30 minutes before the concert time, unless otherwise stated by Mrs. Lemons.

**Note: Dates and times are subject to change for any reason. You will be notified as soon as possible.**

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>DATE</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>• October 17–November 4</strong></td>
<td>[three-week timeframe]</td>
<td>6:00pm-11:45pm</td>
<td>HPS Music Apparel Fundraiser orders made online on <a href="http://www.HPSmusic.com">www.HPSmusic.com</a></td>
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<td><strong>• September 29</strong></td>
<td>[Thursday]</td>
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<td>MVHS Feeder Night at football game @ TVHS Ray Patterson Stadium (5th choir &amp; 8th Band only)</td>
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<td><strong>• October 13</strong></td>
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<td>6:00pm-9:00pm</td>
<td>Combined Symphonic Band Concert with RVS @ MVHS</td>
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<td><strong>• November 7 &amp; 8</strong></td>
<td>[Monday &amp; Tuesday]</td>
<td>5-8 pm</td>
<td>TSD Jazz Retreat @ MVHS</td>
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<td><strong>• November 10</strong></td>
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<td>5-7 pm</td>
<td>High Plains 2nd &amp; 3rd Grade Showcase Event @ HPS</td>
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<td><strong>• December 3</strong></td>
<td>[Saturday]</td>
<td>8-noon</td>
<td>HPS Saturday Band Day (rehearsals, sectionals, and peer bonding) @ HPS</td>
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<td><strong>• December 14</strong></td>
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<td>Winter Combined Band &amp; Choir Concert with RVS @ RVS</td>
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<td><strong>• January-May</strong></td>
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<td>TSD Solo &amp; Ensemble Festival @ TBD</td>
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<td>TSD 4th AND 5th Grade; FACE Vocal Band Concert @ TVHS</td>
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<td><strong>• January 5 &amp; 6</strong></td>
<td>[Thursday &amp; Friday]</td>
<td>before school 7:30-8:00am; After school 3:35-4:30pm</td>
<td>Jazz Band Auditions</td>
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<td><strong>• January 10</strong></td>
<td>[Tuesday and Thursday mornings]</td>
<td>7:30-8:00am</td>
<td>High Plains Regular, Weekly Band Rehearsals @ HPS</td>
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<td><strong>• February 6-10 OR 13-17</strong></td>
<td>[Day/Time TBA]</td>
<td>4-7 pm</td>
<td>Loveland Opera Theater traveling production of “The 3 Little Pigs” @ TBA</td>
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<td><strong>• February 23</strong></td>
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<td>7-30 pm</td>
<td>“A Day in the Arts” with the LISA program @ MVHS</td>
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<td><strong>• February 28</strong></td>
<td>[Tuesday]</td>
<td>8-6 pm</td>
<td>HPS &amp; RVS 5th grade field trip; CO Symphony Orchestra @ Boettcher Concert Hall, Denver, CO</td>
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<td>Instrument Rental Event/Trial Night with Boomer and Music &amp; Arts @ MVHS Cafe’</td>
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<td><strong>• April</strong></td>
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<td>TSD Honor Band Auditions DUE! (only offered for 7th &amp; 8th grade band students)</td>
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<td>UNC Jazz Festival (field trip and performance for Jazz Band members) @ UNC Campus, Greeley</td>
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<td><strong>• April 27 &amp; 28</strong></td>
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<td>TBA</td>
<td>TSD Honor Band Rehearsal AND Concert @ MVHS</td>
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<td><strong>• May 5</strong></td>
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<td><strong>• May 10</strong></td>
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<td>HPS Middle School Band &amp; Choir Banquet Concert @ HPS Gym</td>
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<td><strong>• May 20</strong></td>
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<td>5-7 pm</td>
<td>High Plains Combined Symphonic Band Music Festival @ Elitches - Denver, CO</td>
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**HPS = High Plains School**  
**RVS = Riverview K8 School**  
**MVHS = Mountain View High School**  
**TVHS = Thompson Valley High School**