



Cheetah News Volume 3

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*July 10th-22nd*

*Tallahassee School of Math and Science*

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Summer Break!



**We hope you have been having a great Summer Break! The first day of school is just right around the corner and we look forward to seeing all of you back Monday August 14th!**

**\*\*Please make sure all necessary paperwork is turned in to Mrs. Martin ASAP!**

**Please follow the link for the Summer Assignments and Supply List.**

[Link to List](#)

## **TSMS ORIENTATION**



Dear Parent,

I am truly excited to begin the 2017-2018 academic year of Tallahassee School of Math and Science (TSMS). Your children, our students, are the reason why we are here. Not only do I want them to excel academically, but I also want them to learn about respect, ethical and responsible decision-making and social skills. We will strive to create an environment where students feel safe, comfortable, and respected.

I strongly believe parents play a crucial role in the success of our students and our school. We welcome parents and community volunteers to support us in building up our great school. Finally, I would like to invite you to our Orientation Day; below you will find the Orientation Day schedule.

**Kindergarten: Thursday 8/10 from 8:00 am to 10:00 am.**

**1st-5th grades: Thursday 8/10 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.**

**6th- 8th grades: Friday 8/11 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.**

You will be able to;

- Listen to a presentation about the school
- Pick up your child's schedule
- Meet with Teachers
- Sign-up for the PVO (Parent Volunteer Organization)
- Drop off school supplies with teacher (Supply list link above)

\*PVO will be selling spirit items, for parents to purchase

- Speak with SLA Management for breakfast/lunch questions
- Sign up for Clubs and Academic Teams (NO clubs for the first week of school)
- Sign up for Extended Day Program (Afterschool)
- Turn in missing documents/Update Contact information (Update address, phone numbers, Physical/Immunizations (Mandatory TDAP shot for entering 7th grade), Transcripts, etc.)
- Speak to a representative from School District Services (TSMS bus company)

[WWW.SCHOOLDISTRICTSERVICES.COM](http://WWW.SCHOOLDISTRICTSERVICES.COM)

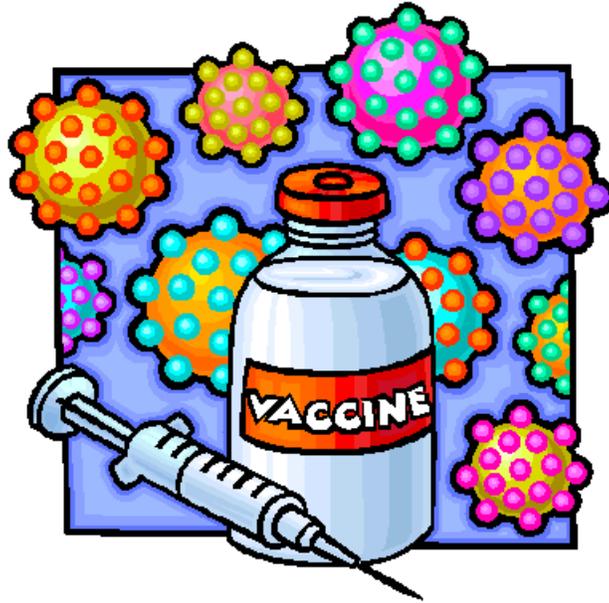
I look forward to seeing you at the Orientation Day.

Sincerely,

Ahmet T. Temel, Principal

(\$10/shirts, \$5 school car magnet, ◆ \$10 tumbler cup)

## 7th Grade Immunizations



**7th Grade students must have proof of their immunizations. No shot record, no schedule. Please ensure that your 7th grader has the necessary shots and proof of record before allowing to come to school. 7th grade students will not be allowed in class without their proof of immunization record. Students on campus without this proof will have to contact the parent and be picked up. Students may only return with the appropriate proof.**

## Kindergarten News



Welcome to Tallahassee School of Math and Science. We are excited to have your child at our school. We are having pre-screenings for Kindergarten next week, July 27 and 28. Appointments will be scheduled every 15 minutes from 9 am to 4 pm. Please click on the link below to sign up. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or email. The number is 681-7827, extension 107.

Kindergarten orientation will be August 10 at 8:00 am.

School supply list and summer reading assignments see links below.

[School Supply List \(Click Here\)](#)

[Summer Reading List \(Click Here\)](#)

Email Address

bgaskin@tsmas.org

adecordova@tsmas.org

[Pre-screening Sign Up \(Click Here\)](#)

Student Report Cards and State Test Results



Dear parents,

Please come pick up your child's report card at the front office.

You may also pick up State Test results, summer reading and math assignments.

Office hours are Monday through Thursday from 8am to 5pm.

Thanks

TSMS Team

## TSMS Uniform Swap **August 10th and 11th**



We are happy to announce the Tallahassee School of Math and Science will be continuing our Uniform Swap during the new school year. The TSMS Uniform Swap gives families a way to trade outgrown uniforms with other TSMS families in order to reduce the need to buy costly new uniform pieces.

Our next Uniform Swap Shopping Event will be **Thursday and Friday, August 10th and 11th from 12:00-1:00**. We will be accepting uniforms from **now until August 7th**. These can be turned in to Ms. Hall in the Main Office. If you have any questions, you can contact the Uniform Swap Coordinator, Jenny Morton at [TSMSUniformSwap@yahoo.com](mailto:TSMSUniformSwap@yahoo.com).

When submitting uniform pieces, place items in a bag that is clearly labeled with the family name and include a submission form (also available in the Main Office). Families should only submit official uniform pieces purchased from All Uniform Wear and must contain the TSMS logo. If there is a dispute about the approval of a uniform piece, we will defer to the TSMS Administration.

The swap can only accept freshly laundered uniforms in excellent or good used condition. No mending or washing will be done by the volunteers or administration. The swap program cannot accept uniforms in fair or poor condition with obvious signs of wear - rips, holes, stains, unraveling, fading, discoloration, significant pilling, etc. We do not accept PE uniforms, socks, shoes, tights, belts or general outerwear.

Uniform collection events will occur 2-3 times a year and will be announced in the newsletter. Ideally these events will occur in August, December and May. All uniforms submitted between collection events will be evaluated at the next collection event unless prior arrangements have been made with the Uniform Swap Coordinators. Evaluation of uniforms will not take place during a uniform swap shopping event.

## Swap Points

Following a collection event, uniform pieces submitted to the swap will be credited with swap points: 1 point = 1 item. After uniforms are collected and evaluated, points from all items submitted will be totaled and banked under the family name. The families that contributed uniform pieces will be contacted via email and informed of the number of points they have available. Families can shop from the uniform inventory with their accumulated points. Any unused points will be “banked” as long as the family is enrolled at TSMS. Points carry over indefinitely until used or until the family has no students enrolled at TSMS. In case of the latter, points will be donated to the community points pool, unless otherwise specified by the leaving family.

## Shopping

Participation at the Swap Shopping Event is limited to those families that have submitted uniforms during the current swap or have previously banked points. Uniform items can only be purchased with points. Volunteers and staff will be available to help find the items and sizes that you need. Items are evaluated as carefully as possible during collection, but families who obtain items at the shopping event are responsible for carefully inspecting items for size and condition. Inventory is based on participation. Families that participate in the swap understand that the inventory available may not meet all of their uniform needs.

## Volunteers

It will take volunteers to make the Uniform Swap successful. It will be run on the volunteer efforts of TSMS parents. During the year, it is possible that the swap will need parents to help evaluate and inventory uniforms. During the shopping event, the swap will need volunteers to assist shoppers and to assist at ‘checkout’. Please let Ms. Hall or Mrs. Morton know if you are willing and available to volunteer.

## Donations

Families who have no future need for uniforms or who feel they have enough points are encouraged to donate their uniforms. At any time, a family can donate points to the community point pool or to another TSMS family. This can be done in person or via email request to [TSMSUniformSwap@yahoo.com](mailto:TSMSUniformSwap@yahoo.com). Community points will be used for families in need and families in transition as determined by TSMS Administration.

Thank you and we look forward to your participation in this exciting event,

Jenny Morton

Uniform Swap Coordinator

Please Fill out: [UNIFORM SWAP SUBMISSION FORM](#)

## Multicultural Family Diversity Club



TSMS will be having a new club this year. It is the TSMS Multicultural Family Diversity Club. The TSMS Multicultural Family Diversity Club (MFDC) will aim to improve reading literacy among racial and ethnic groups within our school. To fulfill this mission, the MFDC will sponsor events and activities designed to promote interracial and intercultural awareness within the TSMS community, ranging from parent-led discussions on issues regarding diversity to ceremonies that honor individuals within and beyond the TSMS community who have made contributions to multiculturalism. We will meet every Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 5 pm. Please come join us for our first planning meeting on Wednesday, August 2, at 4 pm. We will have snack and a movie for the students while we meet with the parents to shape this new club.

## Parents For Charter Schools



[Tip of the Day \(Click Here\)](#)

[Consejo del Día \( Haga clic aquí\)](#)

Keep your child's math skills sharp all summer

Research shows that students can lose more than two months of math proficiency over the summer. To keep your child's math circuits humming, have her compare prices to find the best deals by weight at

the grocery store. When cooking, let her measure the weight and volume of ingredients and divide dishes into equal portions. If your family will be traveling, have her keep a record of mileage, gas prices and other expenses.

Tomarse vacaciones de la escuela no debería implicar tomarse vacaciones del aprendizaje.

Los estudios revelan que los niños en edad escolar pueden perder más de dos meses en competencia matemática durante el verano. Esto se debe a que no utilizan las habilidades que han aprendido durante el año escolar.

Pruebe estas ideas para que su hijo no pierda durante el verano los conocimientos que ya adquirió:

- **Dígale a su hijo** que lleve un registro del kilometraje, el precio de la gasolina y otros gastos de un viaje.
- **Planifique un menú** con su hijo. Vayan al supermercado. Ayúdelo a comparar el precio de los productos por unidad para encontrar la mejor compra para la cantidad que necesitan.
- **Dígale a su hijo** que mida el peso y volumen de los ingredientes de la receta. Además, dígame que divida en plato en porciones iguales.
- **Ayude a su hijo** a elaborar un presupuesto y un plan de ahorro para su mesada. ¿Cuánto tiempo le tomará ahorrar \$25?
- **Organice una noche semanal de juegos.** Jueguen al Memorama o al Scrabble infantil para mejorar las habilidades de pensamiento y suma, y para ampliar el vocabulario.

## TSMS in the News



[“Golden Shovel” award](#)

The Tallahassee School of Math and Science (TSMS) was recently honored with the “Golden Shovel” Award from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the best new garden in the secondary division.

The TSMS garden began in 2016 as a way to teach K-8 students various curriculum requirements in a hands-on manner. By growing seasonal produce in raised beds, maintaining a butterfly garden, beautifying the area with arbors and fencing, hosting workdays and providing seating for outdoor classroom sessions, the garden provides numerous opportunities for the school’s students, staff and families.

“The garden is such a highlight of the school, our students love learning and harvesting the crops and it supports our mission of establishing relationships among students, parents and teachers,” said Ahmet Temel, principal of TSMS.

The third annual Florida Farm to School “Golden Shovel” Awards program recognizes Florida students, educators and community members for their extraordinary school garden efforts. With five award categories – Best New Garden, Best Revitalized Garden, Best Use of Produce, Most Community Involvement and Most Creative Learning Environment – this year’s program received applications from 20 counties showcasing various gardening methods and school-wide initiatives.

For more information, visit [FreshFromFlorida.com/FarmtoSchool](http://FreshFromFlorida.com/FarmtoSchool)

## Fun STEM Project!



## Dismissal: Parent Pick-up Cards



Dismissal is from 2:45-3:00pm, after 3:00pm students will be sent to EDP.

Each parent will be given TWO name cards to be displayed clearly on the dashboard for car pickup. If you do not have a Pick-up card, you will be directed to park your car and show your photo ID to the front

office to release your student. EDP also requires Pick-up card for dismissing a student through the front office.

To help combat heavy traffic, please park in the parking lot and walk up to pick up your student. Thank you for your patience during this first week.

Transportation change or any afternoon change will need to be submitted in writing via letter or email to the secretary Ms. Hall

Parents MUST notify front office by 2:30pm– at the latest if there is an emergency and transportation needs to be changed for the day. –If after 2:30pm student will go home as arranged.

**Please DO NOT use Last Year's Pick-up Cards they will not work; ALL numbers have been changed. New cards will display 17-18 at the bottom. Additional Cards may be purchased for \$4 per card.**

## TSMS Uniforms



The advertisement features a blue header with the TSMS logo and icons for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. Below the header, the text "Dress Code" is written in large red letters. To the right of the text is a small image of a black fabric with "TSMS" embroidered in gold. The central part of the ad displays images of uniform items: a dark blue polo shirt, a dark blue skirt, a pair of black dress shoes, a pair of brown leather shoes, a dark blue zip-up jacket, and a pair of khaki shorts. Below these items is a logo for "ALL UNIFORM WEAR" featuring a globe. To the right of the logo is a pair of dark blue trousers. Below the images, the address and phone number are listed: "Address: 1989 Capital Cir NE, Tallahassee, FL 32308" and "Phone:(850) 629-4144". At the bottom, a note states: "Each article of clothing will have to have the 'TSMS' embroidery".

**TSMS**  
TALLHASSEE SCHOOL  
of MATH and SCIENCE  
Science Technology Engineering Mathematics

# Dress Code

TSMS

ALL UNIFORM WEAR

Address: 1989 Capital  
Cir NE, Tallahassee,  
FL 32308  
Phone:(850) 629-4144

Each article of clothing will have to have the "TSMS" embroidery

**Make sure to stop by All Uniform Wear and pick up your uniforms! While at the store it is a good idea to purchase your student a sweater and zip-up fleece jacket.**

All Uniform Wear 1989 Capital Circle NE

Tallahassee FL 32308

850-629-4144

[www.alluniformwear.com](http://www.alluniformwear.com)

[store28@alluniformwear.com](mailto:store28@alluniformwear.com)

\*Please refer to pages 25-29 in the Student Handbook for more information.



Shoes on the left are in the appropriate colors-- Black, White, Navy, and Brown; they do not have flashy colors or logos that stand out. Shoes on the right are not in the appropriate colors, they have logos that stand out, and boots/Uggs are not permitted.

## Contact Us

### TSMS

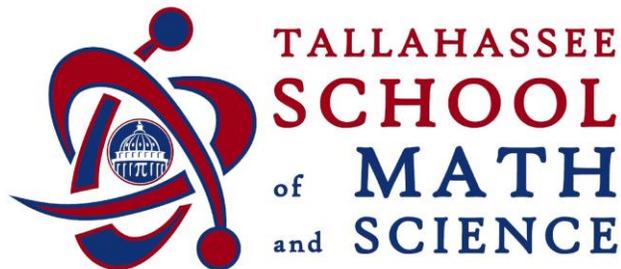
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