

# Welcome to Timpanogos High School

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2018-19 School Information

Welcome T-Wolves! **Sophomore Day is Friday, August 17 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and classes begin on Monday, August 20 for all students.** But in the meantime, there are several essential items that need to be completed:

## **2018-19 School Registration To Do List**

- 1. Complete the Skyward Information Update: It is critical that we have accurate contact and health information for every student!** To update this information, login (with your parent login) to skyward, select the student and click on "Student Info" on the left side. Your student's information will show on the screen. Review the information. If you need to make any changes click on "Request changes for \_\_\_" on the top right side, above each child's information box. A drop-down menu will appear with each section. Make changes where needed and click save. Changes will not appear immediately. Due to changes in state law regarding Student Data Privacy, every student must have a parent approve a newly worded Acceptable Use Policy prior to accessing school computers or internet. We highly encourage you to complete the update for EACH student immediately. We encourage parents/guardians to thoroughly read through the provisions for steps 5 and 6 to understand the implications of the choices presented with regards to student data privacy. ***Students WILL NOT be able to use the school computers or internet until the update is completed on their behalf. The update option will be available August 1.***
- 2. Pay school fees or make payment arrangements.** (See Information below)
- 3. Pay for school lunch or apply for free or reduced lunch.** (See instructions on back)
- 4. Register your vehicle and get a parking permit.** (See instructions on back)
- 5. Review Code of Conduct on school website.** (Please take note of the required mid-thigh shorts and skirt length before shopping for school clothes)

### **Fee Payment Policy**

Alpine School District is implementing a new fee payment program called "Campus Accounting". This program is set to have all schools on the same policy for school fees.

**"Once all required school fees (Board approved fees) have been paid or arrangements have been made with the student finance office for a monthly payment plan, or applied and approved for a fee waiver, then the student will be allowed to participate and/or pay for optional activities. This includes but is not limited to parking permits, yearbooks, sports, dances, field trips, tours, team gear, ACT prep classes, Driver's Ed, clubs etc."**

**There are several options available for making payments beginning August 3, 2018:**

- Online with MySchoolFees.com (**preferred**)
- In person at the Student Finance Office between 7:15 a.m. – 3:15 p.m. with cash, check, debit or credit card. THS accepts Visa, MC and Discover Card. (American Express is not accepted at THS)
- Monthly ACH payment plans can be set up with the student finance office so a small equal payment is automatically withdrawn from the parent's checking account each month (September – April). (voided check required for this option) **Yearbooks are not available on this option. Yearbooks need to be paid in full.**
- Apply for a fee waiver, as soon as possible, if your income meets the eligibility guidelines. **The deadline to apply is 1/11/19.**

## **HEALTH INFORMATION**

— It is a state requirement for the school to keep a complete and up-to-date immunization record for **ALL** students. Please verify, and update if needed, your student health information as part of the Skyward information update process. The school nurse will be contacting you if we are missing any information. If your student has a medical condition that the school needs to be aware of, please contact the school nurse, **Mandy Townsend at 801-610-8175 ext.786112 or [mjennings@alpinedistrict.org](mailto:mjennings@alpinedistrict.org)**.

**CLASS CHANGES:** In order to ensure that effective instruction can be given starting the first day of classes, any needed class changes must be made **prior to the deadline of August 10**. Please review your class schedule on Skyward to confirm that your schedule is complete and correct. Separate information was sent home previously about the process for making needed class changes, and is also available on the counseling page of the school website (<http://ths.alpineschools.org/counseling/>). Email your request to your counselor (addresses are located on the form and the website). **A \$5 class change fee will be assessed. Any changes made after August 10 will require Administrative approval.**

## **YEARBOOKS**

You may purchase a yearbook online with other school fees for **\$50** or at the same price in the Student Finance Office after school starts. **These books must be paid for in full by December 19, 2018.** Over-run yearbooks will be sold **starting January 3, 2019 for \$60.** Yearbooks may not be paid for using the payment plan.

## **REGISTRATION/PARKING PERMIT**

All motorized vehicles parked at Timpanogos High School must be registered and display a THS parking hang tag. You may purchase a hang tag for **\$5** at the financial office or you may add a parking permit when paying your fees through MySchoolFees.com and take your receipt and application to the attendance office to pick up your hang tag. Go to the school web site (THS Resources) to print the application or pick up a hard copy in the attendance office.

**It's ALWAYS a  
GREAT day to  
be a T-WOLF!!**

## **SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH**

Individual lunches may be purchased daily for \$2 each or \$40 for a month, breakfast is \$1.10 daily or \$22 for a month. You may drop a check off to be applied to your student's lunch account in the student finance office **before** school begins. **Please make checks payable to ASD Food Service and include your student's ID number on your check.**

You may apply for Free and Reduced lunch online at [www.alpineschools.org/nutrition/](http://www.alpineschools.org/nutrition/). **This is faster and preferred.** You may also get forms in the THS Main Office and Student Finance Office. Applications must be returned to ASD Food Services or to the Student Finance Office as soon as possible in order to provide your student with lunch on the first day of school.

### **Online Payments:**

Paying for school meals is easier with myPaymentsplus, a secure online payment processing system. There is **NO** charge to use the online payment or low balance alert features. Register online at- [www.mypaymentsplus.com](http://www.mypaymentsplus.com).

## **SCHOOL PICTURES & ACTIVITY CARDS**

Yearbook and Activity/ID Card photos for all students will be taken on **August 29**, during regular school hours. ID cards will be distributed approximately two weeks later. Picture Make-Up Day will be **October 4** from **7:30-11:00am only**. Only school pictures taken by Bell Photographers by October 4 will be included in the yearbook.

Students and Parents:

Here are a few things you need to know about our attendance approach:

1. The two main purposes of our approach are **STUDENT SUCCESS** and **STUDENT SAFETY**. Good attendance is closely aligned with academic and social success. The more you are in class the easier it is to succeed academically and have positive relationships. And, there is no safer place for you than being in class.
2. Students should NEVER have an unexcused absence. Any absence needs to be school excused or parent excused. We will work diligently to notify parents when students are not in class and have not been excused. As faculty and staff, we will work harder than ever to make sure our attendance records are accurate. **We will also be sending a caller home after every period so parents will know if a student missed any period.** After two weeks, any unexcused absence (“X” in Skyward) will be changed to a truancy (“Y” in Skyward).
3. We need parents to excuse students in a timely manner—preferably the morning of the absence, or as soon as the parent knows the student will be absent. By doing this, parents will not be bothered by the caller that will go out after every period.
4. Parents may excuse absences by sending a note during school hours or calling the attendance office at 801-610-8177, **twenty-four hours a day**. (We recommend you save this number in your phone to make it easy.) When excusing an absence(s) with a note or on the phone, parents should include:
  - A) Student name
  - B) the date of the absence(s)
  - C) specific class period(s) missed
  - D) and a phone number where the parent can be reached
5. Tardies will have classroom consequences. When a pattern of tardiness arises, our student advocates will involve students and parents in solving the problem.
6. If a student starts to have chronic attendance issues, (absences or tardies) the student advocates will work with parents and students to solve the problem. If the problem persists, the counselors and administration will become involved. If the problem continues after that, the student will have school consequences. They may be restricted from extracurricular activities, dances, senior graduation activities, or face other disciplinary actions.
7. **Chronic Attendance Issues:** When students start to have chronic attendance issues, they may be referred to truancy school and/or truancy court.

THS has a fantastic learning environment where great things are happening in classes every day. When you are tardy or absent you miss more than just content and assignments. The time that you miss will add up over time. Again, our whole goal with our attendance efforts at THS is to help students **SUCCEED** and help them be **SAFE**. Please work with us toward these goals for your child.

# WHAT ARE YOUR CHANCES OF BEING SUCCESSFUL?

Missing a class here or there doesn't seem like much but...

When you miss just...	that equals...	which is...	and over 13 years of schooling that is...	which means that the best that you can perform is...	
1 Day every two weeks	20 Days per year	4 Weeks per year	Almost 1 ½ Years	YOU 	Equal to finishing 11 <sup>th</sup> grade.
				Other Students 	
1 Day each week	40 Days per year	8 Weeks per year	Over 2 ½ Years	YOU 	Equal to finishing 10 <sup>th</sup> grade.
				Other Students 	
2 Days each week	80 Days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 Years	YOU 	Equal to finishing 7 <sup>th</sup> grade.
				Other Students 	
3 Days each week	120 Days per year	24 Weeks per year	Almost 8 Years	YOU 	Equal to finishing 4 <sup>th</sup> grade.
				Other Students 	

attendance  
**MATTERS**

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**JOIN TIMPANOGOS HIGH PTSA**  
**\$8 Membership Dues**  
Your membership shows support  
of our Timpanogos Faculty & Students

- ◎Reflections ◎Teacher Grants ◎Teacher & Student Appreciation
- ◎Battle of the Bands ◎Senior Scholarships ◎Student Recognitions

**Three Easy Ways to Join:**  
Venmo- @Twolf-PTSA  
Online-My School Fees in Optional Fees  
At School-The Finance Office  
We encourage both parents &  
students to join!

"We are grateful for the work of our PTSA in supporting our programs and students at Timpanogos. We encourage all students, parents and teachers to join the PTSA and volunteer as you are able. Together we can do great things for the students at THS."  
- Dr. Joe Jensen & the THS Administrators

