



Dear Tamiscal Community,

August 9, 2021

I hope everyone had a safe and healthy summer and took some time for rest and self-care. I am excited to begin the 2021-2022 school year! All TUHSD schools will fully re-open for in person instruction the week of August 16th.

When/how will school start?

- Please review the school calendar on [Tamiscal's website](#).

Independent Study and the Counseling Enriched Classroom:

- [Please review the schedule linked here.](#)
- New student orientations are Wednesday 8/18 and Thursday 8/19.
- Students co-enrolled in a class at the big schools will begin their schedules according to those school schedules on Wednesday 8/18.
- All school advisory/program meetings for all students Friday 8/20 from 9-12.
- IS and CEC senior class meeting Friday 8/20 from 8-9 in Tamiscal's Hub/rm 4.
- Formal class schedules begin on August 23rd.

Pathways Program:

- [Please see the schedule linked here.](#)
- Pathways students will begin classes on Thursday 8/19 with a senior class meeting.
- Students co-enrolled in a class at the big schools will begin their schedules according to those school schedules on Wednesday 8/18.

All School Program/Advisory Meetings:

All Tamiscal students will launch the school year on Friday, August 20th in advisory/program teams from 9-12 in person at Tamiscal!

- Students will meet their teachers and peers, take school ID photos and receive their schedules etc.
- Students should come prepared to share their "All About Me" slides (see above schedules for links)
- HW reminder for the first day of classes for IS students: [Summer Assignments](#).
 - Students new to the IS program, if this is new information for you, don't stress, just bring as much as you've completed to the first day of that class.

Will classes be in person? Remote?



- All TUHSD schools will open fully in person. We will not offer hybrid classes this school year. Students are expected to attend school in person according to their schedules.
 - Zoom *may* be used for academic support purposes with teacher discretion but not as a substitute for in-person attendance and instruction.
 - IEP and 504 meetings will be held via zoom.
 - Per state mandate (AB130), TUHSD students will be offered a fully remote option for students with health risks via online courseware- stay tuned for more information from the district.

What about the delta variant/COVID-19?

Safety protocols are summarized below (we will review with students at Friday's assembly)

- Masks are required for all students and staff both inside and outside regardless of vaccination status.
- Students will be required to report their vaccination status to the district (more coming from the district).
- Students will be required to complete a daily health screener - students with any illness symptoms need to stay home and follow protocols for quarantine and testing (more coming from the district).
- Travel/quarantine restrictions still apply for unvaccinated students (more information coming from the district).
- Hand sanitizer and other PPE will be present in all classrooms.
- There will no longer be social distancing requirements on campus (yay!).
- Students are allowed to collaborate, move freely around the campus, as long as they are masked and regularly sanitizing hands.

What is my schedule and when can I see it?

- New students will receive schedules at their orientation.
- Students co-enrolled in a class at the big schools will be notified of that schedule/class by Tuesday 8/17 (for a Wed start).
- Returning students will receive schedules on Friday 8/20 at the all school assembly/event.
- If you have schedule adjustment requests, Grace will be available Friday 8/20 pm for changes.
- Thank you for your understanding and patience!

How can my student access extra support?

- Reach out to your teachers!



- SIS (Supervised Independent Study) tutor for general education support for IS students: Chaeta Baker (cbaker@tamdistrict.org)
- Special Education Resource support: Sarah Eheart (seheart@tamdistrict.org)
- Counseling support (academic and therapeutic): Grace Aviles (gaviles@tamdistrict.org)
- College & Career: Julie Gannon (jgannon@tamdistrict.org)
- Wellness: Jen Kenny-Baum will be on campus Fridays (jkennybaum@tamdistrict.org) and students can also access wellness services at any of the big campuses.
- Bay Area Community Resources - on-site, free therapy: Kristina Hovis (khovis@tamdistrict.org)
- Principal: Kim Stiffler (kstiffler@tamdistrict.org). I also serve as the site 504 coordinator. .

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns! We are looking forward to a great school year at Tamiscal High School!

Be well,

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