



# Thomas Jefferson Middle School

## an IB World School

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August 11, 2022

Dear TJMS Student,

I am so incredibly excited to start the 2022-2023 school year with you on August 29, 2022! All signs indicate this is going to be a productive school year. Our amazing TJMS custodial team has been busy getting the building ready. Our enthusiastic office team is ordering supplies and registering new Yellow Jackets. And our devoted instructional staff is planning and preparing to meet your educational, emotional, and social needs.

Whether you are a rising sixth grader entering middle school for the time, a seventh grader with one year of middle school behind you, or an eighth grader facing your last year of middle school, the 2022-2023 school year will mark a new beginning. I encourage every Yellow Jacket to embrace our TJMS mission statement and long-standing traditions. Our Thomas Jefferson Yellow Jacket mission statement is: *“learn together to understand and improve ourselves, our future and our world.”* Our mission statement and traditions encourage us to create a dynamic school climate where we **Learn, Grow, and Act Together**. I have no doubt you will uphold our TJMS mission and traditions which have historically enabled us to be **“The Best of the Best, Better Than the Rest, At All Times”!**

Your parents/guardians can view your TA assignment on August 22, 2022 in ParentVue. You will also receive a copy of this letter with your Teacher Advisory (TA) teacher’s name as well as your Team assignment. You can view your complete class schedule in StudentVue after 4:00 PM on August 26, 2022.

Your journey to becoming a true Thomas Jefferson Yellow Jacket begins when you attend **Orientation on August 25, 2022**. You will meet your TA teacher at your grade level entrance (**Grade 8 – Door 14, Grade 7 – Door 15, Grade 6 – Door 16**). Your TA teacher will take you on a brief tour, you will receive your hall locker, have an opportunity to purchase your gym uniform, and pick-up your preordered school supplies. Meanwhile, your parents/guardians will meet in the TJMS theater for a presentation. We ask that students and families only attend your designated session. The sessions are as follows:

<b>Grade 6</b>	<b>9:00 AM – 10:00 AM</b>
<b>Grade 7 and Grade 8</b>	<b>11:00 AM - 12:00 PM</b>

This year we are excited to provide an opportunity for families to preorder school supplies for our Yellow Jackets! Check our school website for School Supply Preorder information. The preorder includes basic items you will need to start the school year such as glue sticks, spiral notebooks, colored pencils, dividers, pencils, pens, pocket folders, a pencil pouch, eraser, highlighters, scissors, and paper. The cost of the supplies is \$25. You will be able to pick-up your supply package at orientation. During the first week of school, your teachers will also tell you about any additional school supplies you may need.

Our staff at TJMS cannot wait to welcome you back to school on August 29, 2022, and we are committed to making this a successful and safe school year for you! Finally, an important part of being successful and remaining safe requires that you attend school on time daily prepared to learn. To do that, you must be in your TA class no later than 7:50 AM. with your charged iPad, school supplies and an “I can do this” mindset. I know you can do this, so let’s get this school year started!

Enjoy your last days of summer vacation and get prepared to do your part to make the 2022-2023 school year the Best of the Best!

Sincerely,

*Ms. Boggan*  
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