

MORRISON R. WAITE HIGH SCHOOL

JANUARY 1, 2018

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to school after what we hope was a wonderful, restful, and exciting winter break spent with family and friends. The second half of the year is beginning and our staff and students will once again be actively engaged in teaching and learning. We are excited about the educational challenges that lay ahead of us and know that you will continue to assist us in our efforts to make Morrison R. Waite the best high school in Toledo.

There are many opportunities for our students to be involved at Waite. There are over thirty organization, clubs, and athletic teams to be part of. Student involvement is the best way to ensure a positive and fruitful educational experience.

Once again, I welcome you back and wish you all continued success for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year.

*Yours in Purple and Gold,
Todd D. Deem*

TPS Mission

Toledo Public Schools' mission is to produce competitive college and career ready graduates through a rigorous curriculum across all grade levels by implementing Ohio's New Learning Standards with fidelity.

TPS Vision

Toledo Public Schools strives to be an "A-rated" school district whose graduates are college and career ready.

WAITE HIGH SCHOOL

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**“A journey of a
thousand miles
begins with a
single step.”
Lao-Tzu**

From the Office of Curriculum and Instruction.....

Grade Reports

1st Semester Grade Reports will be mailed on Wednesday, January 17th. Please make sure to review the grade report with your student. Any questions about the grade report should be directed to the teacher or your student’s guidance counselor. If your student fails a class at the semester, he or she will most likely have to make that class up by retaking it in the Fall, going to summer school, or completing APEX Credit Recovery (see below for a detailed explanation of program).

2018-2019 Scheduling

Soon after we return from Winter Break, we will begin scheduling for the 2018-2019 school year. We strongly encourage families to take an active role in helping their student select his or her classes for next year. Please encourage your students to take challenging and interesting classes.

The Sophomore class will be meeting in the Auditorium on Wednesday, January 10th to discuss all of the Career Tech Programs that TPS offers. Students who are interested in registering for a Waite Junior Block Career Tech Class will then have an opportunity to meet with their future teacher and classmates.

Counselors will then be meeting with Freshman, Sophomore, and Juniors classes to review their transcripts and then provide them with scheduling information.

Mr. Vance will also be visiting our K-8 Feeder Schools to schedule 8th graders and also talk about our Early High School and Early Morning Riser Opportunities with younger students.

March 26 – April 20; April 23 – May 11: OST Testing (AIR)

The State of Ohio requires all students graduating in 2018 and beyond to take and receive a total of 18 points in the following subjects:

English 1, English 2, Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology, American Studies, American Government

The Building Test Coordinator will develop a schedule closer to the test dates, and students will be taking tests during the school day.

College Credit Plus—CCP

College Credit Plus is an excellent opportunity for 7th-12th grade Ohio students to take college classes for free. Students can take classes at Waite High School, through Distance Learning, or on college campuses if they meet the admissions requirements. Our current college partners are University of Toledo, Bowling Green State University, Lourdes University, and Owens College.



From the Office of Curriculum and Instruction.....

APEX Credit Recovery

Students may retake courses that they failed or take a course that they have difficulty fitting into their schedule. Most core classes and a limited number of electives are offered through APEX Credit Recovery. Some students can take this during the school day or after school in the Library Computer Lab. After School Credit Recovery occurs immediately after school Monday through Thursday. Both during school and after school Credit Recovery are free of charge.

May 30, 2018 Graduation

2018 Graduation Commencement ceremony will be held at Morrison R. Waite High School in the Field House on Wednesday, May 30, 2018 at 7:00 pm. Please join us in celebrating the Class of 2018.

From the Office of the School Nurse.....

Keeping Healthy

1. Get vaccinated. Getting vaccinated is the most important way you can protect yourself against the flu.
2. Wash your hands often. Washing your hands with soap and water before and after eating, after coughing or sneezing, and after using the bathroom can make a big difference when preventing the flu.
3. Stay away from people who are sick. The flu can be spread to others through the air and via surfaces so stay away from people who are sick.
4. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with your hands. Touching surfaces that are contaminated with germs and then touching your face can allow the flu virus to enter your body.
5. Practice good hygiene. Clean surfaces and objects in your home and at work to reduce the chances of spreading the flu.

Give Kids A Smile Day

The Toledo Dental Society is sponsoring it's 14th annual Give Kids A Smile Day. On February 2, 2018, local dentists donate their time and expertise to treat children who do not normally have access to dental care, AT NO CHARGE. To register a child, the parent/guardian must complete a registration form and return it to the Dental Center of Northwest Ohio by mail or fax. The staff will then contact the parent/guardian to schedule their appointment time. Registration will run through January 22, 2018. If you need a registration form or assistance faxing the form, please contact your Waite School Nurse.



**"Things work
out best for those
who make the
best of how
things work
out."**

John Wooden



**"All our dreams
can come true if
we have the
courage to pursue
them."**

Walt Disney

From the Office of Pupil Personnel.....

Indian For A Day - February 14 and 15

Local eighth grade students will have the opportunity to shadow a current Waite Indian student. This will allow student to see first hand what being a student at Morrison R. Waite High School is all about. Registration forms will be delivered to elementary schools late January.

Parent Portal

The Parent Portal gives parents and guardians access to pertinent student information such as attendance records, class schedule, class work, report cards and transcripts. Any interested parent or guardian must bring a photo ID and see the Records Secretary to sign up for this important tool to stay involved with their student.

Address/Contact Information Changes

Please contact our records secretary with any updated changes in your address or contact information. 419-671-7000

Demerit System

Students are able to apply for a demerit reduction by contacting their Dean. Please refer to the Demerit Reduction section of you Student/Parent Handbook for the list of current options available.

Alternative to Suspension Program

Waite High School will be using Pathways for Successful Leadership as an alternative to suspension. Student will receive transportation and lunches through Waite HS. P4SL is at 1530 N Superior Street, Toledo OH 43604.

Changes Due to Inclement Weather

Due to the decrease in temperature during the winter months, students will be able to enter the building before 7:30. This judgment call will be made on a daily basis based on the weather conditions. During this time, the first floor of the building will be open in order to accommodate the larger number of students. Breakfast will still be served daily at 7:30 in the cafeteria.



From the Office of Athletics....

Athletic Director: Cristina Lorton 419-671-7100

Athletic Physical must be completed prior to participation.

WINTER SPORTS

Boys Basketball: Adam Rodriguez 419-283-7883
 Girls Basketball: Manny May 419-450-9768
 Wrestling: Russell Jennings info@1patriotfence.com

SPRING SPORTS

Baseball Conditioning Monday and Wednesday 4:30-6:30 Meet in RM 310B
 Softball Conditioning Monday and Thursday 3:00-4:30 Meet in RM 124

Try outs for Baseball begin February 19, 2018
 Try outs for Softball begin February 19, 2018
 Track (Boys and Girls) begins March 5, 2018

Baseball: John Segura 419-260-0086
 Softball: Raquel Granados 419-215-3587
 Girls Track: Manny May 419-450-9768
 Boys Track:



**"Don't be afraid
 to give up the
 good to go for the
 great."**

John D.

Rockefeller

TPS Core Commitments

Student-Centered—*District-wide decisions and operations will be built around the best interest of students.*

Accountability-Based Management—*Establish a system-wide accountability that may have a direct or indirect impact on student growth*

Building Stronger Relationships—*The district will continue to strengthen and broaden the relationships it has with all stakeholders and interest groups along with establishing full community inclusion.*

Technology Oriented—*Orchestrate a technological environment to meet the needs of the new digital age, which consist of today's and tomorrow's students.*

Rigorous Curriculum—*Continue to research the best practices along with on-going professional developments that align with the 21st century national and state standards which will ensure students with the skills to compete in a global economy.*

Develop a District-wide Culture of High Expectations—*Establish a district-wide climate and belief system that all students, staff, and school have the ability to achieve EXCELLENCE.*



We are WAITE PROUD!



Waite HS explores the total *Solar Eclipse* on Monday, August 21, 2017.

Razas Unidas has had a busy 1st semester this year. The club has partaken in multiple community service efforts, including a campus clean-up, a haunted house at Sylvania Country Club, the Día de los Muertos celebration at the Sofia Quintero Arts and Cultural Center, and the Holiday Gift Baskets. The club has also hosted Latin Dance Lessons for Hispanic Heritage Month, marched in the Homecoming Parade, hosted a Day of the Dead celebration at Waite, and participated in a social outing to see the movie 'Coco'. The club is looking forward to another active calendar next semester!



"Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can."

Arthur Ashe



Mrs. Spetz's Environmental Science class. We went down to the docks at international park to practice our water quality testing skills, and the kids were amazing! They enjoyed being able to apply what we had been learning in class, as well being able to get out on a beautiful day!

On Dec. 7, 2017, a group of 38 students from TPS's Honors World War II course gathered in the Waite auditorium to deliver memorial speeches of Toledoans killed in the Second World War.



Members of the French Club braved cold weather and snow flurries to volunteer for the Salvation Army Saturday, December 9. Waite students Jady Shook, Cassandra and Andrew Vogelpohl staffed the iconic red kettle outside Toledo Food Market on Main Street for over an hour, ringing the bells and inspiring holiday donations from weekend shoppers.



We are WAITE PROUD!



Teen PEP (peers educating peers) has been busy practicing in preparation for classroom presentations on Bullying. Members did take some time off, however, to participate in the East Toledo Family Centers Trunk or Treat night in October. Pictured are Senior Hannah Parish and Sophomore Daniel Fox in front of the Monster Car. Presentations to freshmen will begin in January.

The Waite Show Choir performed at the annual Waite Holiday Choral Concert "Ring in the Season" held on December 13, 2017 in the Waite Auditorium. The Show Choir was busy this holiday season with numerous public appearances, including the TPS retired teachers luncheon held at the Toledo Club, caroling at the Toledo Zoo Lights Before Christmas, and Selfies with Santa at Michaels Deli and Bakery. The group was also featured on WTOL tv 11's live televised Morning Show to promote the first annual TPS Holiday Extravaganza!



"What would you attempt to do if you knew you would not fail?"

Robert Schuller



The National Honor Society hosted its annual Breakfast with Santa on December 9, 2017. The breakfast featured a pancake and sausage breakfast, various games, face painting, arts and crafts, and of course Santa! The National Honor Society would like to thank Michael's Gourmet Bakery, Meijer, Tim Horton's, and Graduate Roofing for their contributions toward providing a fun and festive event for our East Toledo Community.

Waite HS, Band and Orchestra Concert on December 14, 2017.



Waite High School participate annually in the East Toledo Family Center Adopt-A-Family Program. This program provides food for each family and toys for the children. Each year as many as 200 families have been served. This year will celebrate the 86th year of this East Side tradition. Merry Christmas from all of us at Morrison R. Waite High School



**“YOU LEARN
 MORE FROM
 FAILURE THAN
 FROM
 SUCCESS.
 DON’T LET IT
 STOP YOU.
 FAILURE
 BUILDS
 CHARACTER.”-
 UNKNOWN**

2017-2018 Important Dates for Second Semester

<i>January 9, 2018</i>	<i>Return to School</i>
<i>January 10, 2018</i>	<i>Sophomore Career Tech Presentation</i>
<i>January 15, 2018</i>	<i>NO SCHOOL, MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY</i>
<i>February 14-15, 2018</i>	<i>Indian For A Day</i>
<i>February 16 and 19, 2018</i>	<i>NO SCHOOL, PRESIDENTS DAY</i>
<i>February 22, 2018</i>	<i>8th Grade Schedule Night 5:30-7:00 pm</i>
<i>March 7, 2018</i>	<i>SAT Testing for Juniors Only</i>
<i>March 12, 2018</i>	<i>College Credit Plus Night 5:30-7:30 pm</i>
<i>March 13, 2018</i>	<i>Band/Orchestra Small Ensemble Concert 7:00 pm</i>
<i>March 14, 2018</i>	<i>Choir Concert 6:00 pm</i>
<i>March 16, 2018</i>	<i>End of 3rd Quarter</i>
<i>March 19 - 23, 2018</i>	<i>Work Keys Assessment for Career Tech for Juniors Only</i>
<i>March 21, 2018</i>	<i>Fine Arts Festival</i>
<i>March 26 - April 20, 2018</i>	<i>OST ELA Testing Window</i>
<i>April 23 - May 11, 2018</i>	<i>OST Math, Science, and Social Studies Testing Window</i>
<i>March 30-April 6, 2018</i>	<i>Spring Break</i>
<i>April 9, 2018</i>	<i>Students Return from Spring Break</i>
<i>April 28, 2018</i>	<i>Junior/Senior Prom</i>
<i>May 4, 2017</i>	<i>Cinco De Mayo Program</i>
<i>May 8, 2018</i>	<i>Orchestra Concert 6:00 pm</i>
<i>May 9, 2018</i>	<i>Choir Concert 7:00 pm</i>
<i>May 10, 2018</i>	<i>Band Concert 7:00 pm</i>
<i>May 11, 2018</i>	<i>Spring Play 7:00 pm</i>
<i>May 14, 2018</i>	<i>Senior Luncheon</i>
<i>May 16, 2018</i>	<i>Choir Banquet 6:00-7:00 pm</i>
<i>May 17, 2018</i>	<i>Academic Awards Banquet 6:00 pm</i>
<i>May 22-25, 2018</i>	<i>2nd Semester Exams</i>
<i>May 25, 2018</i>	<i>Last Day for Students</i>
<i>May 29, 2018</i>	<i>Graduation Practice 10:30 am</i>
<i>May 30, 2018</i>	<i>End of 4th Quarter/ 2nd Semester</i>
<i>May 30, 2018</i>	<i>Graduation 7:00 pm</i>





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