

Ronald Thornton Middle School

# Thunder Camp

July 26, 2024



# Thunder PRIDE



## RONALD THORNTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Home of Thundercat PRIDE

### VISION

The RTMS community aims to inspire and empower all students to take pride and ownership in their academic, social and emotional learning.

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### MISSION

RTMS will provide meaningful learning experiences in a safe, collaborative community where everyone grows through passion, practice and perseverance.

## Core Beliefs & Commitments

**P**

- People and relationships matter.

**R**

- Respect in all we do.

**I**

- Inclusion is a priority.

**D**

- Diversity is our strength.

**E**

- Effort fuels our growth.

Motto

Thunder PRIDE never dies!



# A Day at RTMS!

- Arrival 8:20-8:40 am
- Tardy Bell at 8:50 am
- 7 period day – 5-minute passing
  - 6<sup>th</sup> separate from 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>
- Classes 45-55 minutes each
  - 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Periods longer for announcements, lunch & dismissal
- 4 lunch periods – 30-minutes each
- Dismissal at 4:10 pm
  - Options: Car, Walk, Bike, or Bus
  - Must leave campus after school unless scheduled tutorial, club, or detention



# Bell Schedules

Advisory Bell Schedule – Tuesday/Wednesday				
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade		7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade		
1	8:50 – 9:40 (50)	8:50-9:45 (55)		
Passing Period	9:40 – 9:45	9:45 – 9:50		
2	9:45 – 10:35 (50)	9:50 – 10:40 (50)		
Passing Period	10:35 – 10:40	10:40-10:45		
3	A Lunch	B6 Lunch	D Lunch	
	A Lunch (30) 10:40 – 11:10	Period 3 10:40 – 11:25 (45)	Period 3 10:45 – 11:30 (45)	
	Period 3 11:10 – 11:55 (45)	B6 Lunch (30) 11:25 – 11:55	Passing Period 11:30 – 11:35	
	Passing Period 11:55 – 12:00	B Lunch (30) 11:30 – 12:00	Advisory (30) 11:35 – 12:05	
4	Advisory	Advisory (30) 12:00 – 12:30	Passing Period 12:00 – 12:05	Period 3 12:05 – 12:35
	Passing Period 12:30 – 12:35	Period 4 12:35 – 1:20 (45)	Advisory (30) 12:05 – 12:35	Passing Period 12:05 – 12:10
	Period 4 1:20 – 1:25	Period 4 12:40 – 1:25 (45)	Period 4 12:10 – 12:55 (45)	Period 4 12:55-1:25
	Passing Period 1:25-2:15 (50)	Period 4 1:25 – 2:20	Period 4 1:25 – 1:30	Period 4 1:30 – 2:20 (50)
5	Passing Period	2:15 – 2:20	Period 4 2:20 – 2:25	Period 4 2:25 – 3:15 (50)
6	Passing Period	2:20 – 3:10 (50)	Period 4 3:10 – 3:15	Period 4 3:15 – 3:20
7	Passing Period	3:15 – 4:10 (55)	Period 4 3:20 – 4:10 (50)	Period 4 3:20 – 4:10 (50)

Monday/Thursday/Friday				
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade		7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade		
1	8:50 – 9:45 (55)	8:50 – 9:50 (60)		
Passing Period	9:45 – 9:50	9:50 – 9:55		
2	9:50 – 10:40 (50)	9:55 – 10:45 (50)		
Passing Period	10:40 – 10:45	10:45 – 10:50		
3	A Lunch	B6 Lunch	D Lunch	
	A Lunch (30) 10:45 – 11:15	Period 3 10:45 – 11:45 (60)	Period 3 10:50 – 11:45 (55)	
	Period 3 11:15 – 12:15 (60)	B6 Lunch (30) 11:45 – 12:15	Passing Period 11:45 – 11:50	
	Passing Period 12:15 – 12:20	B Lunch (30) 11:45 – 12:15	Period 4 11:50 – 12:20 (30)	
4	Period 4 12:20 – 1:20 (60)	Passing Period 12:15 – 12:20	Period 4 12:20 – 1:25 (65)	Period 4 11:50 – 12:55 (65)
	Passing Period	Period 4 12:20 – 1:25 (65)	Period 4 12:50 – 1:25 (35)	Period 4 12:55-1:25
	Period 4 1:20 – 1:25	Period 4 1:25 – 1:30	Period 4 1:30 – 2:20 (50)	Period 4 2:20 – 2:25
	Passing Period	Period 4 2:20 – 2:25	Period 4 2:25 – 3:15 (50)	Period 4 3:15 – 3:20
5	Passing Period	Period 4 3:15 – 4:10 (55)	Period 4 3:20 – 4:10 (50)	Period 4 3:20 – 4:10 (50)
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# What to Bring to School...




- YES – Bring...
  - Backpack
  - Lunch, Water Bottle & Snack (2:00 snack time)
  - PE/Kickstart clothes & shoes
  - School supplies
  - FBISD issued laptop
  - Lock for your bike
- NO – Do not bring...
  - Video game devices
  - Toys
  - Ear buds or headphones
  - Expensive personal items
  - Unnecessary cash
  - Prohibited items – vape/smoke items, weapons (including look-alike), inappropriate materials, etc.



# Back to School Information



Core	ELA	Math	Science	Social Studies	General Supplies
	<input type="checkbox"/> 5-tab divider (AAC only)	<input type="checkbox"/> 8-tab dividers <input type="checkbox"/> Loose Leaf Graph Paper	<input type="checkbox"/> Composition Notebook	<input type="checkbox"/> 3-Subject Notebooks (2)	
Elective	AVID-6	Robotics	Math Lab	Literacy	<b>Note: General supplies should be taken to all classes and replenished as needed throughout the school year.</b>
	<input type="checkbox"/> 8-tab dividers <input type="checkbox"/> Planner <b>Recommended:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Planner <input type="checkbox"/> Ruler	<input type="checkbox"/> General Supplies (listed in the yellow box)	<input type="checkbox"/> General Supplies (listed in the yellow box)	<input type="checkbox"/> 5-tab dividers	
PE	PE	Kickstart			
	Uniforms available for purchase in July/August.	Uniforms available for purchase in July/August.			
Fine Arts	Choir 1	Band 1	Orchestra 1	Art 1	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-inch black binder <input type="checkbox"/> 5-tab dividers	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-inch black binder <input type="checkbox"/> 5-tab dividers <input type="checkbox"/> Pencil pouch with pencils <input type="checkbox"/> Tuner with pick-up mic. (not percussion)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-inch black binder <input type="checkbox"/> 5-tab dividers <input type="checkbox"/> Pencil pouch with 2 pencils & a <u>highlighter</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Tuner (link below) <input type="checkbox"/> Instrument-specific supplies are listed on the website: <a href="#">click here!</a>	<input type="checkbox"/> Pentel Hi-polymer Block Eraser, Large, White (3) <input type="checkbox"/> Prang Watercolor Oval Set w/Brush, Set of 8 Colors <input type="checkbox"/> <del>Sans</del> Large Grid Mesh Pencil Case, Big Capacity <input type="checkbox"/> Clear Pencil Premier Pencil Sharpener, Black <input type="checkbox"/> Sharpie Twin Tip Permanent Markers, Fine and Ultra Fine, Black (4) <input type="checkbox"/> Prismacolor Premier Turquoise Graphite Sketching Pencils, Medium Leads, Adult Coloring (12-pack) <input type="checkbox"/> <del>Ohuhu</del> Alcohol Markers Double Tipped Art Marker Set – 60 colors – Chisel and Fine Dual Tips <input type="checkbox"/> Prismacolor Premier Colored Pencils, Soft Core (24-pack) <input type="checkbox"/> <del>Canson</del> 100510927 XL Series Paper Pad, 98 Pound, 9x12, 60 sheets (1-pack) <input type="checkbox"/> For more info and links to items, see art website: <a href="#">click here!</a>	
	Theatre 1	<b>Note: More information is located on the Band Website: <a href="#">click here!</a></b>			
	<input type="checkbox"/> General Supplies (listed in the yellow box)	<b>Note: All instrument-specific supplies must be purchased from an FBISD-approved vendor.</b>			

- RTMS Website
  - Supply Lists
  - Reading Lists
  - Campus Calendar
  - Teacher Websites
- FBISD Website
  - Bus Route Locator
  - School Lunch Account
  - 1:1 Laptop Program
  - Mass Notification – Blackboard (very important)



# Middle School Student Expectations

- Arrive early & ready to learn – Tardy at 8:50 am
- Know how they go home each day including bus number from day 1
- Know parent phone number & home address
- Keep up with items brought to school
  - Lost & Found in Cafeteria
- Speak to adults & peers with courtesy
- Take responsibility for decisions
- Self-advocate if there is a question or need





# Middle School Parent Awareness

- Freedom = Responsibility
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade will earn more freedoms
  - Start with sitting by class for lunch
  - Escorted to 1<sup>st</sup> period & lunch
- Horseplay often escalates
- Lock it or lose it!
- Bathroom usage – managing time & opportunity
- Legislative ruling on vaping
- Prioritize SLEEP! (9-12 hours for ages 11–12 & 8-10 hours for ages 13-15)
- Monitoring personal communication devices
- It's time to talk about ALL the things!

# Communication & Resources



- **Thundercat Weekly** – First one sent last week
- **School Website** – Will be updated by 8/7/24
- **Teacher Schoology Page** – Accessible 8/8/24
- **Teacher Weekly Emails**
- **Addressing questions or concerns throughout the year:**
  - 1) **Contact the teacher – Always first!**
  - 2) **Contact Alpha Split Administrator or Counselor**
    - **A-C: Dr. Williams & Ms. Jefferson**
    - **D-KE: Ms. Skinner & Ms. Parker**
    - **KH-RE: Mr. Watson & Ms. Green**
    - **RI-Z: Mr. Cardenas & Ms. Torres**
  - 3) **Contact Principal**
    - **Dr. Kargbo, RTMS Principal**

# PTO

- PTO plays a vital role in RTMS success!
- There are still ways to get involved:
  - 2025 Thunder Games Co-Chair Needed



PTO Newsletter



PTO Facebook Page



PTO Website



Thriving at Thornton Facebook Group

# Save the Dates!

- VIPS Welcome Breakfast ~ Friday, August 23 at 9:30 am in the RTMS Cafeteria
- PTO General Meetings ~ Wednesday, September 11 & Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm (virtual meeting)
- RTMS Career Day ~ Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup> (all day)
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Social ~ Friday, October 18 at 6:00 pm
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Social ~ Thursday, February 27 at 6:00 pm
- Thunder Games ~ Friday, April 4 at 6:00 pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Social ~ Friday, May 16 at 6:00 pm





# Thunder Camp



## Stations:

- PE Uniforms
- Kickstart Uniforms
- Yearbook
- PTO ~ Spirit Wear

Parents ~ Please remain in the gym until your student arrives or return at 11:00 am or 4:00 pm, when Thunder Camp concludes.

Thanks for coming! Don't forget to snap a picture!

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