

Middle School Newsblatt

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October 9, 2020

We made it to Fall Break! Every year that I have been in education, this achievement is momentous. The first weeks of school are often a whirlwind. This year it felt more like a hurricane with a tornado followed by a tsunami.

I'm feeling grateful for the community that I am now part of. I am in awe of how our students are persevering. I am in awe of how much TCGIS teachers do for students. I am in awe of how parents are advocates for their children and the teachers. I am in awe of what we have accomplished since July 30th. This is a marathon, not a sprint. To echo Director Anderson's sentiments, I hope that your family is able to recharge a bit over the next week.

~Elizabeth Zehnpfennig, Middle School Dean





October's Middle School Schedule

October Schedule*

*As current COVID-19 numbers allow. This is subject to change

K-8	K-2	3-4	5	6	7-8
Oct 5-9	Connection Week	Connection Week	Connection Week	Connection Week	Connection Week
Oct 12-16	Herbstferien - Fall Break (no school)				
Oct 19-23	Distance Learning Week (after break)	Distance Learning Week (after break)	Distance Learning Week (after break)	Distance Learning Week (after break)	Distance Learning Week (after break)
Oct 26-30	Distance Learning Week (after break)	Distance Learning Week (after break)	Distance Learning Week (after break)	Distance Learning Week (after break)	Distance Learning Week (after break)

Distance Weeks

The two weeks after Fall break will both be Distance Weeks and will use the block schedule. Here are the [schedules](#) by grade and cohort complete with links again. Click here to double check your schedule for Monday and see our teacher Bitmojis!

Here are a few notes for that week:

October 19th is a Professional Development Day for Teachers. No School or School work for students.

Advisory will continue to be synchronous on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday for all cohorts. We see this as an important check in time for our asynchronous days. Attendance will be taken in advisory.

Specialists for 7th and 8th grade will be starting the second specialist rotation after Fall Break. Because there is no school on the Monday after break, specialist classes will start with the first block on Thursday. You can find the class lists [here](#).

Odds and Ends

Message from Esther Neu, Dean of Academic Support:

Please check your email for information about screening make-ups. If your child missed a screener, information about making that up will be in your email. Please contact jkember@tcgis.org with any screener-related questions.

