



TIMBERLINE HIGH SCHOOL

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WEEKLY UPDATE

208-854-6230

Dear Timberline Family,

Thank you so much for a wonderful opening to a very unique school year! The kindness and patience demonstrated to our teachers during this time has been greatly appreciated. Our teachers have worked extremely hard at learning many new skills necessary for providing a rich and rewarding virtual experience for our students, and we are all extremely grateful to be working with our students again!

Our Teacher-Parent Organization

Please get involved! Our Teacher-Parent Organization (TPO) has been an invaluable and integral part of our Timberline Family for many years. They have been instrumental in supporting the academic work of our teachers as well as the activities of our clubs and organizations and we couldn't be more grateful for their constant involvement. For example, this [TPO In Action](#) document outlines projects our TPO has funded and organized during the last few years. If parents would like to become more involved, provide a donation, and/or volunteer with our TPO, please take a look at the links below:

[Get Involved](#) – Become a Volunteer

[Providing a donation](#) – A quick and easy way to donate

[Matching Employer Donations](#) – Please check this list for local companies willing to match your TPO donation

Our Phased Reopening Plans

We would like to re-share the district's [Phased Reopening Plan](#) and our updated [Timberline Phased Reopening Plan](#) with you to review. These plans explain our phased reopening process we will be implementing during the coming weeks. Most notably, our high school students are scheduled to return to classes in person the week of October 19th, which coincides with the beginning of the second quarter. During this reopening phase, our students will follow a weekly schedule of Mondays being virtual (all students learning from home), students with last names beginning with A-L attending classes in person on Tuesdays and Thursdays (Blue Team), and students with last names beginning with M-Z attending classes in person on Wednesdays and Fridays (Silver Team). Once it has been determined that we can safely reintegrate all students, we will be entering Phase 4 of this plan and will notify all families, which is not scheduled to occur earlier than November 9, 2020.

Some individual accommodations for families needing to switch their days may be possible. If your family needs to consider a change, please contact Alsy Cory at alsy.cory@boiseschools.org, or 208-854-6230.

Fall Athletics

The Boise School District will be following the CDH guidelines as we start having games at the school. While we are in Category 2 (yellow), we are allowed to have 50 fans in the gym during our volleyball matches. For our outdoor events, including soccer, football, and cross country, we are allowed to have 50 fans per school. The fans will have separate sections and be spaced out accordingly. At this time, only PARENTS OF COMPETING ATHLETES will be allowed to attend our home games. More information regarding game attendance and ticketing will be sent to athletes' families on Monday.

Upcoming Test Dates

All testing dates will be in-person, with the other classes not testing working virtually from home.

October 14 – SAT day for Seniors

October 29 – PSAT day for Juniors

January 26 – PSAT day for Sophomores

Student Picture Days and Student I.D. Badges

Student picture days are currently scheduled for Thursday, October 21 and Wednesday, October 28th. Dorian Photography will be distributing picture packet information prior to these days so please watch for ordering information to be sent home. Once student photos have been taken, students will receive a temporary badge until their permanent badges are delivered to the school from Dorian. Each student is expected to have their badge on their person this year as we are transitioning to a keyless entry system and the badge is a student's keyless entry into the building. This also provides touchless checkout in the library and cafeteria. Lanyards will be provided to students for use with their badges.

New Chromebook Distribution

Once students return to the building, we will also be reissuing new Chromebooks to our sophomore and junior classes. The new device they receive will be theirs to use for the remainder of their high school career in the Boise School District and will be expected to be returned when the student graduates.

Device Insurance

Parents may opt to insure the student devices with a minimal \$25 fee. This insurance protects families from incurring the full replacement and/or repair costs by covering 1 claim per year for accidental damage, loss, or theft. Subsequent claims may be filed with school administration and will incur a \$20 deductible. Negligence or purposeful damage, loss of charger, and incidental damage to someone else's device are NOT covered by this insurance. When necessary, a second device can be checked out while repairs are being completed. Please visit our [Timberline Webstore](#) to make this payment.

Other Typical Beginning of the Year Expenses

We will not be charging students for ASB Activity Cards until students are able to attend athletic events. We will also not be charging for parking until school resumes. Yearbooks for 20-21 school year will be available for purchase later this year at a reduced rate of \$30. These items will all be accessible on our [Timberline Webstore](#).

Sincerely,

Diana Molino, Principal

Tim Ellinghouse, Assistant Principal

Myrna Avila, Assistant Principal

Jeff Lamping, Assistant Principal