



TWINSBURG CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Good afternoon Twinsburg Schools Family:

It's been more than five months since our Tigers walked the halls of our schools. I missed all the hustle and bustle and enjoyment of seeing our students working, learning, and playing together. Our entire school family enthusiastically awaits tomorrow when we begin the first of four (4) days of our Soft Reopening Week. During this week, our students will meet their new teachers, meet some of their new classmates, enjoy lunch in their classrooms, complete some baseline assessments, and learn about our new health and safety protocols. Our On-Campus students and our Virtual Academy students will engage in similar activities. On-Campus students will also receive their District-issued Chromebooks, if they have not previously been issued one. On-Campus students will also receive their new District-issued clear backpacks. Please recall that the clear backpacks are the only backpacks permitted this year. Students who are bringing school supplies to school during our Soft Reopening Week should bring them in a disposable bag (such as a brown bag or a blue grocery bag) which will be discarded once your child transfers his/her belongings to their learning space or clear backpack. Students may bring their lunch in any bag or lunchbox and our young ladies may bring their feminine hygiene products in a small discreet bag. If your son and/or daughter was already issued a Chromebook, please be sure that it is fully charged for their Soft Reopening Day as our teachers planned activities using the Chromebooks.

Due to our grade band realignment, we collaborated with the Twinsburg Police Department to establish new traffic patterns. Below is the traffic pattern for the Twinsburg High School campus where our students in grades 2 – 6 will attend school this year. Please note, all vehicles are to enter the campus at the Ravenna Road/Miktarian Parkway/Tiger Trail entrance and proceed according to the traffic pattern shown with the white arrows below:

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Superintendent

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Treasurer

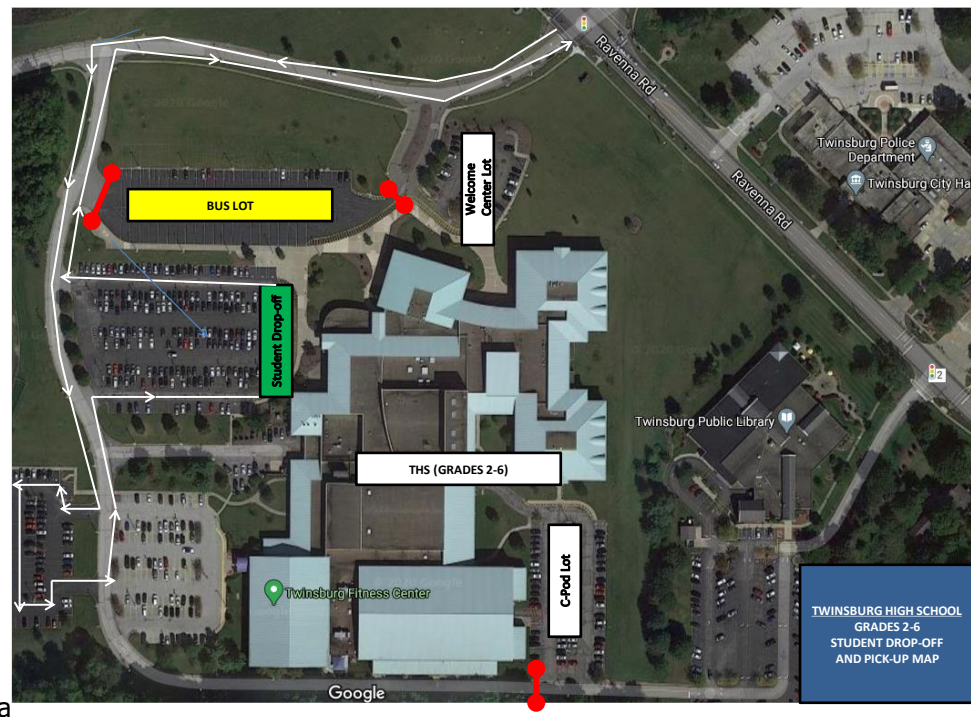
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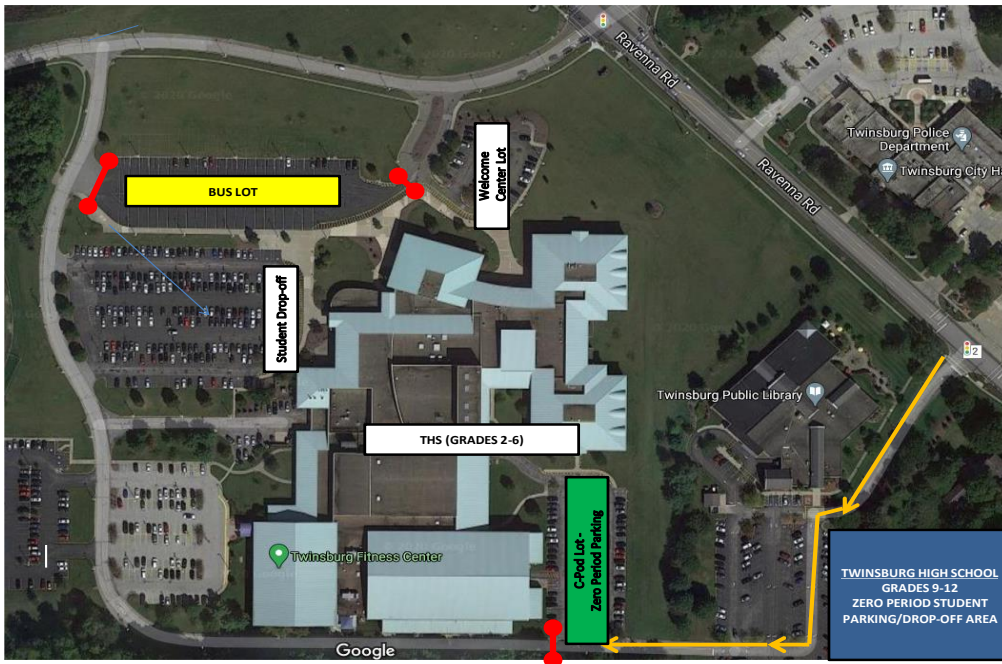
Andrea C. Walker
Director of Student Wellness



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High School students who are participating in Zero Period instrumental programs on the campus of Twinsburg High School will enter at the light on Ravenna Road at Twinsburg Public Library, proceeding through the library parking lot to the C-Pod parking lot (see yellow arrows below). At the end of Zero Period, students will exit through the library parking lot and onto Ravenna Road:



Students in grades 10 – 12 attending classes on the campus of RB Chamberlin will enter the campus at the Ravenna Road/Hoon Field/Tiger Trail entrance. Parents will turn left at the first intersection (see yellow arrows below) in front of the school where students will exit vehicles. Student drivers will proceed straight on Tiger Trail, behind RB Chamberlin, to the student parking lots (see red arrows below):



School personnel will assist with traffic in the coming week and will be available for your questions.

As students arrive to school, staff members will meet students prior to them entering the school and will take their temperatures using digital thermometers. Students with temperatures of 100.4 degrees F. or higher will wait in our Tiger clinics until parents are contacted to take them home.

Please recall that all students in Kindergarten through the twelfth grade are required to wear masks to school and all students, including Preschool students are required to wear masks while on our school buses. Preschool students are strongly recommended to wear masks while at school. Parents may submit our District Mask Exemption Form if there is a reason why their child is not able to wear a mask in school. You can obtain a copy of the District Mask Exemption Form from your building principal.

As mentioned at the front end of this letter, we are very excited to greet your child in the coming week. To that end, all five of our building principals created a "Welcome Back" video, thanks to our friends at Community Focus. Enjoy!:

Welcome to Wilcox Primary School (Preschool – Grade 1) with Principal Lynn Villa:
<https://mycommunityfocus.app/videos/videos/wilcox-welcome-back/>

Welcome to Samuel Bissell Elementary School (Grades 2 & 3) with Principal Misty Johnson:
<https://mycommunityfocus.app/videos/videos/bissell-2nd-3rd-grade-at-tgs-welcome-back/>

Welcome to George G. Dodge Intermediate School (Grades 4 – 6) with Principal Reggie Holland:
https://mycommunityfocus.app/?post_type=rvs_video&p=1639

Welcome to RB Chamberlin Middle School (Grades 7 & 8) with Principal Jim Ries:
<https://mycommunityfocus.app/videos/videos/rbc-at-dodge-welcome-back/>

Welcome to Twinsburg High School (Grades 9 – 12) with Principal Laura Hebert:
<https://mycommunityfocus.app/videos/videos/twinsburg-high-school-welcome-back/>

Many things have changed in the time since our Tigers last left our classrooms. Many new protocols are in place and our learning spaces look very different, but the thing that has not changed, is our collective focus on providing every student with what they need to be successful academically, socially, and emotionally. I am very grateful for your patience and your understanding as we developed the plans necessary to begin with the health and safety of everyone forefront in our actions. Thank you for your continued confidence in our school district. I am very appreciative of the grace you have shown to our staff members as they worked to launch the new school year. On behalf of the Twinsburg Board of Education and our entire staff, I welcome you to our Soft Reopening Week and the 2020/2021 school year! It is sure to be a year like none other!

Very Tiger Proud,
Kathi Powers
Superintendent

