



# Thunderbolt Middle School L.H.U.S.D

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Dear parents and guardians,

September 30, 2020

Thank you for being part of our Thunderbolt family. We are very excited to get students back on campus and anxiously await their return. We would like to take this time to provide you with some important information prior to students starting back to school at Thunderbolt Middle School in the Hybrid model during the week of October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

## **What does Hybrid look like at Thunderbolt?**

Hybrid learning is an opportunity for your student to attend all classes in person two days per week. Students will receive academic instruction from their teachers during two consecutive days. The other three at-home days will have assigned independent practice, reading, and/or writing accessible in Google Classroom and sent home in paper form.

- It is regular in-person learning where students rotate to all five classes in small groups.
- Breakfast is served from 7:30am – 7:55am. Lunch will also be served daily in small groups. Applications for free/reduced lunch can be picked up in the office or you can apply online at <https://family.titank12.com>. *Breakfast and lunch are also available for curbside pick-up Monday-Friday from 9-10 in front of Thunderbolt.*
- Students will have a pre-designated zone to report to each morning prior to school starting. Supervision before school begins at 7:30. We encourage drop-off at any time after 7:30.
- Bussing may be available through the transportation department. Face coverings are required prior to boarding the bus. If you have a transportation need, please call Transportation directly. 928-505-6960
- Students and staff will be practicing social distancing to every extent possible. The wearing of face coverings is required.
  - Students need to bring their own face covering. (If you choose to use the disposable version, please bring an extra).
  - Mask breaks will be given when possible and will follow the safety guidelines.
- Students will have access to their locker to store necessary school items. It is recommended that students have one binder for all classes if possible or an AM and PM binder to swap at lunch.

## **When is On-Site Learning (Hybrid)?**

Attendance during Hybrid begins the week of October 12<sup>th</sup>. The days are determined by the first letter of your student's last name.

Please see the table below for the specific days your student is scheduled to attend in person.



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Last Names	Monday & Tuesday	Wednesday (Early Release)	Thursday & Friday
A - K	<b>School Starts: 8:00</b> <b>School Ends: 2:35</b>	Practice and complete lessons/work at home on paper or via Google Classroom Attend office hours via Zoom as needed on Wednesdays	
L -M	Practice and complete lessons/work at home on paper or via Google Classroom Attend office hours via Zoom as needed on Wednesdays		<b>School Starts: 8:00</b> <b>School Ends: 2:35</b>

*\*\*Any requests to attend on days other than those listed above must be pre-approved by administration. Priority will be given to households with students that have different last names. All decisions will be made based on student safety and reducing class sizes.*

## What do we need to know for a successful experience?

**Before Arriving:** Please screen your student for any of the following symptoms. If **any** of these apply, please call the attendance office and DO NOT send your student to school. 928-854-7277

- Fever of 100.4 degrees or higher, or chills
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Headache or muscle/body aches
- Congestion/runny nose – unrelated to allergies
- New loss of taste or smell
- Cough
- Fatigue
- Sore throat
- Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea

## **Before Arriving:**

- Students must bring their own face covering. This includes prior to boarding the bus. Please bring a spare if your students uses a disposable face mask.
- Make sure your student is dressed according to the district *dress code policy* as outlined in page 15 of our handbook which can be found at <https://thunderbolt.lhusd.org>.
  - Thunderbolt standardized school shirt is required
  - Outerwear must be a standardized LHUSD jacket/hoodie.
  - Bottoms must be fingertip length, or longer, and cover all undergarments.
  - From waist to fingertip, clothing must be opaque with no holes, rips, tears, or frays.
  - **NEW!!!** School appropriate face coverings must be worn and cannot cause a disruption.



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## *End of Day Routine:*

- Students riding the bus will be excused two minutes early. Students who walk or bike will be dismissed at 2:35. Any students who are picked-up will be dismissed last to allow time for families picking up students at multiple sites across town. If you are picking up your student, please stay in the left lane. Families who arrive first may wait along the curb in the pick-up lane. It is important that students are picked up at the front of the line and traffic pulls forward. If traffic begins to back up onto Thunderbolt and Roanoke, please pull into the lot and find a parking space. We will then safely cross students into the parking spaces.

During this next phase of our opening, please check your email and texts frequently to stay up to date on any changes. Our school website is another primary platform for communication. We appreciate your grace and understanding this year as we navigate each unique twist and turn together. As always, we are here to support you every step of the way as we transition students back into the classroom. Your child's safety and education is our top priority.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We look forward to classes resuming in October.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Bitterman & Mrs. Black