

Ice Cream Social



Please join us for the Annual Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, August 26 from 5PM-6:30PM at Tawasentha Park in Guilderland, NY. Families are welcome!

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Friday, August 28 - Schedules will be available on SchoolTool

Wednesday, September 9 - First Day for 9th Graders

Thursday, September 10th - First Day for 10th-12th Grade

Monday, September 28th - Virtual Open House

26-27 Calendar is available on the [TVHS Website](#)

School Supply list available [here](#)

School Hours

School hours for TVHS are 7:50am-2:50pm. Students are able to enter the building at 7:30am and gather in the MPR prior to 7:50am. We serve breakfast during that time. After school, there will be extra help available on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 3:00-3:50. Students should be picked up promptly at 3:50. If students are dropped off in the morning or picked up after school, cars should park in the lot across from school. The loop is for school buses only.



Attendance

Being present and on time sets a student up for success. Students are expected to participate in advisory each morning. Missing school days at TVHS means missing important instruction and project work time.

If your child will be late or absent, please call or email the school with the reason for the absence by 8:30am. Parents can email

attendance@techvalleyhigh.org, or call **(518) 862-4960**.

If a student is ill, we encourage them to recuperate at home.

Students who accumulate more than 10 absences will receive an attendance letter.

Getting Ready for 26-27

Access to Student Information

Assignments and grades can be accessed through Echo. Schedules and Report Cards are available on SchoolTool. Student schedules will be posted on SchoolTool on Friday, August 28. If you would like to request a paper copy of your report card, please contact our office. For Echo access issues, please email Dr. Hawrylchak. New student/family Echo accounts will be available the first week of school. For SchoolTool access, please email Q3SchoolTool@questar.org

Communication from TVHS

Most communication from TVHS is via email. We will also be using ParentSquare for notifications this year. Please look out for an invitation to TVHS ParentSquare. You can receive notifications via email, text, or the app. Please check SchoolTool to ensure contact information is accurate.

Transportation

Be sure to contact your home school transportation department to confirm drop off/pick up information



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Food Service

All students at TVHS are eligible to receive free breakfast and lunch for the 26-27 school year. Families can add money to student accounts for extra meal and a la carte food purchasing. Families should complete the Household Income form by October 1 to be eligible for additional benefits related to College Board testing and Dual Enrollment Tuition. Forms and Food Service details are available on our [website](#).

Health Office

Reach out to Ms. Whelan with any health-related questions. Please return any forms needed.

- [Prescription Medication](#)
- Permission for Ms. Whelan to administer [Over the Counter](#) Medication
- Medication [Self-Carry](#) permission

Personal Devices

Consistent with NYS Law, TVHS has a policy related to student personal internet-enabled devices (cellphones, tablets, smartwatches, video game consoles). All devices should be stored in a TVHS container during the school day.

PAC - Parent Activities Council

We serve the parents and students at TVHS through monthly meetings, informational sessions, socializing field trips, events to raise monies for student activities and more. We strive to strengthen our TVHS community and keep information flowing.

Your membership is active! Welcome! Join us virtually at our first meeting, **Tuesday, August 11th!**



NY Creates Campus and Security

Our location on the NY Creates Campus within walking distance of the main UAlbany Campus allows us to collaborate frequently with our business partners. Here is a [campus map](#) to familiarize yourself with the campus layout. Please be aware of the following security practices on our campus.

Driving on Campus

Please follow all signs on campus and drive carefully, fully stopping at all stop signs. Be sure to look out for the many pedestrians walking to work/school.

Drop-off/Pick-Up

Upon entering campus, please stop at the security booth and let them know that you are dropping off/picking up at Tech Valley High School. You will then be allowed to drive on campus. You may wait temporarily in an available spot in Lot F during drop-off/pick-up.

Visitor Sign-In

If you are entering the building, you will be required to obtain a visitor badge from Security. You can park in Lot H and check in with Security to obtain a badge. You will need a valid, government issued photo ID. If you have a permanent resident card, have it with you. Please reach out to Dr. Hawrylchak in advance if you are a non-US Citizen and she can facilitate the process of obtaining a badge.

Parking

All guests will park in the visitor lot. We have limited spots available in Lot F front of the building.

Student parking is available at no cost. If you are a student looking to drive to school, you must obtain a campus parking permit. Please contact Ms. Jensis for the process to obtain a permit and become a registered user of the parking app, Parkable.



Our 20th Year

This year marks an exciting milestone for Tech Valley High School as we celebrate our 20th year in operation! Since opening our doors in 2007, TVHS has been committed to reimagining what high school can be through innovative, authentic, and student-centered experiences. Over the past two decades, hundreds of students, families, educators, and partners have helped shape TVHS into the innovative learning community it is today. Throughout the year, we look forward to celebrating our history, reconnecting with alumni, sharing stories from the past 20 years, and looking ahead to the next chapter of TVHS.

Class of 2027!

The Common App is open! August is a great time to login and start working on applications. Plan to meet with Mrs. Lee in September!

Summer Updates

We'd love to hear what our TVHS students have been up to this summer! Whether you've been working, traveling, volunteering, attending a program or camp, pursuing a hobby, competing, creating, or simply trying something new, we'd love to celebrate your experiences. Families are invited to send us a photo and a brief update!

