High School Board Report - 8/14/18

Registration Day: Registration Day will take place on August 28th. Last Names A-F 12:00-12:45, Last Names G-K 12:45-1:30, Last Names L-R 1:30-2:15, Last Names S-Z 2:15-3:00. Parents are encouraged to attend with their child. Students will register for school, have photos taken, receive school ID cards, pay fees, receive class schedules and access lockers. Students new to Tomahawk High School will also meet with Link Crew Leaders for additional school information and tours. *We highly recommend that families complete the online registration portion of the process prior to Registration Day.* This will considerably decrease the amount of time needed to go through the registration day process on August, 28th.

Link Crew: THS is implementing a nationally recognized high school transition program called Link Crew. Link Crew will provide the opportunity for students to lead fellow students by developing positive relationships that evolve into mentorship and role modeling. Upperclassmen apply and become trained as Link Crew Leaders to work with incoming 9th graders on the first day of school and throughout the school year to promote and build the positive culture that makes Tomahawk High School great. Because of the importance of Link Crew and the transition activities, only 9th grade students and Link Leaders will report to school on Tuesday, September 4th. Bus transportation will run as normal for the school district on Sept. 4th. Sophomores, juniors and seniors will begin reporting to school on Wednesday, September 5th. Tomahawk School District will use various communication methods to remind students and parents the staggered attendance dates. Freshmen Open House will not occur this year because Link Crew will address 9th grade student needs through the program.

Zero Hour Courses: Zero Hour courses will take place in the morning prior to the start of the standard school day on predetermined dates. Zero Hour courses maintain the same level of academic rigor as courses offered during the standard school day and also meet graduation credit requirements. The only difference is the time of day that the class meets. We are offering Physical Education and Personal Finance this school year. Students enrolled in these courses will be receiving additional information by mail prior to the start of the school year.

Resource Hour: Resource Hour is a 37 minute academic period that is scheduled at the end of each day. Student goals of Resource Hour are focused on Academic & Career Planning, Academic Intervention, Enrichment and Literacy. The format of Resource Hour is being modified this year to provide additional supports and address student needs. Staff will develop a weekly schedule to address the various areas noted above. On Monday during Homeroom, students will identify their academic needs and select what sessions they will be reporting to Tuesday through Friday during Resource Hour. Staff are very excited with the format change because it enhances student ownership of their own learning, provides flexibility to individual students and increases efficiency when assisting students. Students will be educated and trained on this system during the first week of school with the intention of implementing the structure during the second week of school.

GAPP: Our German American Partnership Program students had a great time in Germany and Austria over the month of July. Students spent 10 days attending our partner school Carl-Benz Gymnasium in Ladenburg, Germany. They went on field trips to learn more about the area and do team building activities with their German partners. At the end of the exchange the group spent 4 days in Vienna, Austria and the surrounding area where Ms. Shantz lived. It was a small group, and a very successful trip! A recap of their trip will be included in an upcoming board meeting.

Upcoming Staff PD:	Co-curricular Dates:
FlexiSched Resource Hour Scheduler, 8/14	Fall Sports Meeting, 7/30
 WOW (Working on the Work), 8/15 	Football start date, 8/1
 Read 180 Literacy Program, 8/16 	Girls Swimming start date, 8/7
New Teacher Orientation, 8/20-8/22	 Volleyball start date, 8/13
All Staff Inservice, 8/27-8/31	Girls and Boys Cross Country start date, 8/13