



June, 2018

Dear Grade 8 Student,

Welcome to Grade 8! This fall you will enter eighth grade and begin your last year at Tomlinson - a year filled with many wonderful experiences, opportunities, and memories. No doubt you have already heard a lot about eighth grade from friends and/or siblings, as well as from your own observations.

Eighth grade offers many experiences that enhance your academic achievements. You will enjoy community events and field trips. Guest speakers and community activities such as the annual eighth grade dance, picnic, and closing exercises will surely make 2018-2019 one of your most memorable years at Tomlinson.

On the first day of school, do not forget to bring your math packet, independent reading book, and your required summer reading bookmark. **The Summer Math Packet, The Summer Reading Bookmark** and further information can be found on the TMS homepage under **SCHOOL RELATED LINKS**. This link is where you will find all summer math and summer reading information including lists of book suggestions, the 2019-2020 Intermediate and Teen Nutmeg lists, OverDrive directions, and the Governor's Reading Challenge.

Below is a list of supplies that you will need for the first day of school.

While shopping please consider donating to our TMS School Supply Closet for students in need. Any/all items on the list are needed and are welcome at any time during the school year to help our TMS families. Donations should be brought to the Main Office.

- 3-4 3-Ring Binders: 1-1" binder for LA; others can be shared between 2 subjects as Preferred and according to the student's schedule
- Section Dividers: 3 per subject area
- 2 three-hole punched pocket folders (1 for LA, 1 for French)
- Pens – blue or black
- Pencils – 2 boxes of sharpened pencils
- Erasers
- Highlighters (3-4)
- Pencil Case – for inside a 3-ring binder or a separate case as preferred by student
- College-ruled loose leaf paper (for all subjects)
- Inexpensive ear-buds (or headphones) for use in standardized testing
- Marbled composition notebook (for French)
- Metric ruler (up to 30 cm) which is a 12 inch ruler (in dollar stores) (for Science)
- **Required:** Scientific Calculator (needs to have exponent functions, square root, and cubed root) Texas Instruments 30X is an example of one.
- **Recommended:** *Graphing Calculator – TI-84-Plus*

Until then, enjoy the rest of your summer and we look forward to seeing you on August 30<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,  
*Grade 8 Teachers*