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Greetings, Tonka K-8 Families!

I hope you are all doing well and gearing up for a nice winter break! As we near the end of first semester a few quick updates are listed below. As always, please reach out with any questions you might have.



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Attendance Line

Family Helpdesk

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Important Dates

- **Dec. 22 -** Complete Tonka Online K-8 Survey (see information below)
- Dec. 23- Dec.31 No School; Winter Break
- Jan. 3 Classes Resume
- **Jan. 17 -** No school K-12; MLK Jr. Day
- Jan. 21 End of 1st semester
- Jan. 24 No School K-12; Planning and Grading Day
- Jan. 25 Begin 3rd quarter, Begin 2nd Semester
- **Feb. 18th -** 2 hour early release K-12; Professional Learning

Tonka Online K-8 Survey

Thank you for choosing Tonka Online for your child's education this school year. If you have not yet had a chance to complete our <u>survey</u>, please do so by <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 22nd</u>. We value your feedback and are we are also interested in your plans for the second semester of this school year. We ask that **all** families complete the form for **each child** currently enrolled in Tonka Online K-8. We look forward to continuing to work together!

Yearbooks for Tonka Online

As we near the end of first semester, I want to check in and see if you are *interested in ordering a Tonka Online Yearbook for this year?* If so, please complete this **Tonka Online K-8 Yearbook Interest Form** by Wednesday, December 22nd.

I will then send an email out in January 2022 sharing more information, including how to upload your student's photo in the event you did not participate in the in-person pictures. Please let me know if you have any questions.



Absence Requests - Skyward

If you know of a future absence for your student(s), you can complete and absence request in Skyward by following the steps below:

Skyward

- 1. Go to Skyward and click on Attendance from the left column.
- 2. From Attendance, click on Enter Absent Request.

- 3. From here, each of your children will be listed. Click on Add Request for the child you are entering and absence for.
- 4. Enter Start Date-Time, End Date-Time and the Reason and optional Comments.

We are also in the process of updating our attendance guidelines and procedures for both K-5 and 6-8. Please look for more information after the winter break regarding expectations and policies.

Technology Information / Helpful Tips

As we continue into the school year, and if you are anything like me, you may be finding yourself asking, "How do I.....where can I find again....?!" The start of a new school year always brings about lots of information. For this reason, each week I will be sharing new technology information and/or helpful tips.

Below includes a few helpful links for navigating Seesaw and Schoology, as well as Tonka Tech Resources.

Grades K-3: Seesaw Parent/Family Guide

Grades 4-8: Schoology Parent Instructions

Schoology Digest for Families -video

Tonka Tech Resources for Families

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