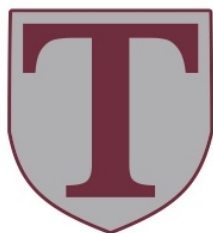


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THE OFFICIAL PARENT NEWSLETTER OF TERRY HIGH SCHOOL

**ONWARD
AND
UPWARD!**



TERRY HIGH SCHOOL

**Striving
for that A**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

At Terry High School, our theme of **Onward & Upward** continues to drive everything we do. The spring semester is where preparation meets performance. This is the season when our students take the **ACT**, **ACT WorkKeys**, and the **MAAP** End-of-Course Assessments in **Algebra I**, **Biology**, and **English II** during the 4th nine weeks. Because of the significance of these assessments for both individual student success and our school's accountability rating, you will see an intentional and intense academic push throughout February and March.

These assessments are more than just tests. ACT scores open doors to **scholarships** and **college admission**. WorkKeys results lead to National Career Readiness Certificates at the Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum levels. Strong performance on MAAP End-of-Course exams demonstrates true mastery of essential skills. Each of these measures plays a critical role in our continued progress from a strong "B" school to the "A" rating we are working diligently to achieve.

This season requires focus, consistency, and teamwork. Daily **attendance**, active **engagement** in class, completing assignments, and taking advantage of tutoring and intervention opportunities will make the difference. Our teachers are aligning instruction strategically, providing targeted review, and using data to ensure every student receives the support they need to succeed.

The work we put in now determines the results we celebrate later. As always, we are committed to ensuring that **every Bulldog graduates not just with a diploma, but with options** - dual credit, industry certifications, competitive ACT scores, and endorsements that position them for success beyond high school.

Together, let's stay focused, stay disciplined, and keep moving **Onward & Upward**.

~ **Matthew Scott** (Proud THS Alum and Principal)

FROM THE COUNSELORS' SUITE

CHECK OUT THE COUNSELORS' NEWSLETTER:
[HTTPS://SECURE.SMORES.COM/N/TFGCJ](https://secure.smores.com/n/tfgcj)

CAREER COUNSELOR CORNER



Ms Kelly is located in the Counselor's suite. She is available to help students with questions about college, financing, technical schools... and everything from setting up internships and job shadowing to helping you secure a job while in school.

You can reach her through email at: ckelly@cmpdd.org

ENGLISH 2, 3, AND 4

English II- State test HEAVY review. All standards are being covered. Term 3 is spiral review

ELA III: We will be continuing to work through The Crucible through the end of the nine weeks.

- Rhodes ELA III class will have to write an analysis of the book "1984" by George Orwell for the 4th nine weeks. The paper should be 4 to 5 pages. Students will have to purchase the book. The book can be purchased from Amazon or from Barnes and Noble. I have requested Barnes and Noble to order a hundred copies. The store will notify when the books come to the store. The cost for the book is 12 plus tax. Please email me (terhodes@hinds.k12.ms.us) if you have any questions.

English IV-

- Hawkins - Reminder that Research paper rough drafts are due on Feb 20, 2026 and is a Test Grade!
- Flynn - Rough drafts for paper will be due when we return from Easter Break.
- Walter- We will be continuing with our senior research paper throughout the end of the 3rd nine weeks.

A.P. Literature: We will be wrapping up our second visit to short fiction and will soon begin our novel study of Jesmine Ward's Salvage the Bones

A.P. Language: We are studying The Great Gatsby in preparation for A.P. Literature as well as reviewing rhetorical devices for the upcoming A.P. exam.

We kindly ask that you ensure your child is present at school each day, as consistent attendance is essential for academic success and preparation.

Bridge to Career

Research of Post Secondary Options

Preparing for Mock Interviews 2/26 & 2/27

Traveling to HCC for Career & Technical Fair 2/24

Afterschool support: M, T & W until 5pm

Health

In Unit 3 family and social health we will take the test next Thursday and Friday.

Engineering

working on a electromechanical project IED (engineering) starting automaton projects

Business Law

Mid-Terms completed

Covering Cybercrime- Quiz 2/12 & 13

Term 3 Project will be discussed and assigned

Will discuss and assign 4th Nine Weeks Project -

Contracts by March 1



Preparation for AP Exam scheduled for May

Students may come to school for extra support on M, W & F @ 8am and after school on M, W & Thurs from 410-500pm.

TERM 3 PROJECT: IDENTITY BOX PROJECTS- "THE SOCIALIZED SELF"
PARENT CONTACT FOR FAILURES, ATTENDANCE, BEHAVIOR, ETC.
AFTERSCHOOL SUPPORT: M, T & W UNTIL 5 PM



NOTES FROM THE MATH DEPARTMENT

ALGEBRA 1

WORKING ON SOLVING QUADRATICS,
CHARACTERISTICS OF QUADRATICS, AND
MODELING QUADRATICS.

ALGEBRA 2

WORKING ON ACT SKILLS TO HELP STUDENTS
PREPARE FOR THE MARCH OFFICIAL ACT. THIS
INCLUDES A REVIEW OF ALGEBRA 1 AND
GEOMETRY.

ALGEBRA 3

LOGARITHM PROPERTIES, FUNCTIONS, AND
EQUATIONS
PARTS OF CIRCLES
INTRO TO COLLEGE MATH SURVIVAL GUIDE
PROJECT

GEOMETRY

COVERING AREA AND POLYGONS TO GET
READY FOR ACT.

RESOURCES

INTERACTIVE CALCULATORS
TI 84 PLUS CE
DESMOS (MS VERSION)

COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS CLASSES

February 2026



Senior Seminar News

3rd Nine Weeks

Focus: Understanding compensation, taxes,
finance and financial pitfalls

- Compare sources of personal income and compensation and analyze factors that affect net income.
- Apply reliable information and systematic decision making to personal financial decisions
- Explain how investing helps build wealth and meet financial goals.
- Analyze appropriate and cost-effective risk management strategies.
- Analyze strategies to monitor income and expenses, plan for spending, and save for future goals.
- Develop strategies to control and manage credit and debt.

Terry High School Counselor's News

College Application Completion is ongoing!

- Complete Applications: Apply to at least 3 colleges of your choice!
- Work on Essays: Ask a teacher or counselor to review.
- Request Transcripts: Don't wait until the deadline. USE MAJOR CLARITY!
- ACT/SAT Scores: Send to colleges that require them.
- Apply for Federal Student Aid

Don't forget to check the *Counselor's News* and with Senior Seminar teachers for updates on scholarship information.

Thank you,
Dr. White

MIDTERMS ARE COMPLETE.
MAKING THE TRANSITION
FROM FINANCIAL LITERACY
STANDARDS AND BUDGETING
TO PREPARE TO CLOSE OUT
ON PERSONAL, AND CAREER
DRIVEN COMPETENCIES.

CURRENTLY PUSHING ACT
PRACTICE AND ENSURING ANY
SCHOLARSHIP
OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE
ARE OFFERED TO THE
STUDENTS.

WORKING ON 7 HABITS OF HIGHLY EFFECTIVE LEADERS.
CURRENTLY ON HABIT 4: THINK WIN-WIN.
ASSIGNMENTS FOR HABITS OR IN EDPUZZLE FOR STUDENTS TO COMPLETE
AFTER EACH HABIT WE COVER IN CLASS.

SPANISH 1 & SPANISH 2 - LITTLE

**SPANISH 1 AND 2: TERM 4 PROJECTS HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED AND ARE DUE IN
MAY.**

SPANISH 1: REGULAR PRESENT TENSE CONJUGATION
SPANISH 2: REGULAR PRETERITE TENSE CONJUGATION

**REPETITION IS KEY IN LEARNING A LANGUAGE. HAVE THEM TEACH YOU THE PHRASES
THEY LEARNED AND INCORPORATE THEM IN YOUR DAY TO DAY CONVERSATIONS WITH
THEM.**

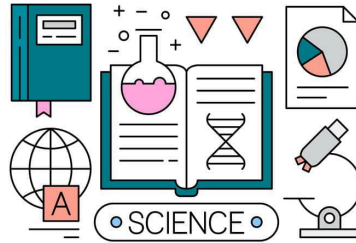
MIDTERMS ARE COMPLETE,
NEW UNIT IS UNDERWAY.

TERM 3 PROJECTS HAVE BEEN
ASSIGNED AND ARE DUE BACK
ON BEFORE 9 WEEKS EXAMS

BIWEEKLY #2 WILL BE GIVEN
NEXT THURSDAY, 2/19 &
FRIDAY, 2/20

PREPARATION FOR 9 WEEKS
EXAMS WILL BEGIN AFTER THE
BIWEEKLY ASSESSMENTS

UNIT 5 EXAM 2/17



DAILY WORK REMINDERS:
STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE
FOR MAKE-UP WORK *ANY
WORK NOT COMPLETED PRIOR
TO WEDNESDAY, 12/10, WILL
RESULT IN A GRADE OF A 0.

**PROJECTS ARE COUNTED AS A
TEST GRADE, DUE 2 WEEKS
BEFORE THE FINAL EXAM.**

**STUDENTS HAVE COMPLETED
ALL COMMON ASSESSMENTS,
WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE
NINE WEEKS EXAM.**

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION UPDATE

HEALTH SCIENCE 1& 2 :
MAKE SURE STUDENTS
WEAR SCRUBS ON
THEIR REQUIRED
DAY(WEDNESDAY)

HEALTH SCIENCE-
CPR CERTIFICATIONS & FIRST
AID (HEALTHSCIENCE)
HEALTHSCIENCE 2ND YEAR -
JOB SHADOWING (2/17 & 2/18),
AET HOURS

MULTIMEDIA I (CORE)-
- BASIC VIDEO EDITING
(UNIT 3), VIDEO PROJECT
TO BE ASSIGNED FOR
ASSESSMENT

MULTIMEDIA II
-FINALIZING PROPOSAL FOR
PILOT CAPSTONE PROJECT
(UNIT 2) AND CAREER
EXPLORATION & PERSONAL
BRANDING (UNIT 1)
-PRE-PRODUCTION
DOCUMENTATION (ONGOING)
- DIGITAL VIDEO PRODUCTION
FOR MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL
FILM COMPETITION (IN
PRODUCTION)

**BUSINESS,
MARKETING& FINANCE :**

ESB REVIEW (BUSINESS,
MARKETING, FINANCE)
DUAL CREDIT
(BUSINESS, MARKETING,
FINANCE)

THE FINE ARTS MOMENT

Art:

Art 1: Cultural Art Unit. Working on
Monochromatic Mythical Creature piece
due by Feb. 19 (B) and Feb. 20 (A).

Art 2-4: Cultural Art Unit. Creating 3D
Animal Wall Relief Sculptures. Students are
creating pieces from cardboard and
masking tape, they will be due by Feb. 27.

All examples and instructions are listed
on Google Classroom. Finished pieces
must be photographed and uploaded to
be considered "Turned In".

Intro to Theatre and Upper Theatre classes
are currently working on their class play.

All students have auditioned and been
assigned a role onstage and backstage.

The performance of the class play will be their
exam on Feb. 27 (A Day) or March 2 (B Day).
Completing their assigned backstage duties will
also be a test grade.

Unit 9-Backstage Project due on Feb. 17 or 18.
All information is on Google Classroom.

All missing/late work for 3rd 9 Weeks must be
turned in by Feb. 27 or it will not be accepted.

Tutoring sessions are every T/TH morning.

Contact Mrs. Mattingly for after-school
tutoring availability.

february

EVENTS TO REMEMBER



Terry High Comprehensive Needs Assessment Survey

Your input helps shape how our school uses federal funds to better support our students, teachers, and families. This is your opportunity to share what matters most!

SCAN ME!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Basketball vs. Leake Central (Senior Night) Soccer vs Jim Hill	4	5	6 Basketball v. Hattiesburg Bridge to Career Trip tp Hinds CC	7 Softball @ Pelahatchie
8	9 Basketball District Tournament	10 Basketball District Tournament Softball @ Pearl Baseball v. Ridgeland	11 Senior Portrait Makeup	12 Softball @ Florence Baseball v. Yazoo County	13 Basketball District Tournament	14
15	16 WINTER BREAK (Students Off) Parent Teacher Conferences Softball @ Ridgeland Baseball v. Vicksburg	17 Baseball @ Provine	18 EL Bootcamp	19 Softball v. Pearl	20 Healthcare and Career Seminar (9:30 Old Gym) Letter Jacket Delivery at lunch Baseball v. Pearl	21 Baseball @ Richland
22	23 Softball v. Murrah Baseball @ Vicksburg	24 Teen Summit for Girls Blood Drive Softball@ St Andrews Baseball v. Madison Central	25	26 11 AM Voter Registration Drive EL Bootcamp Softball v. Ridgeland	27 NINE WEEKS EXAMS begin Softball v. Vicksburg Baseball v. Canton	28 Baseball v. Richland