

# Towle Bridge



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## Things to Remember...

Please remember that we are guests in the buildings we use and should behave accordingly.

1. ALWAYS check IN and OUT with the study hall monitors if coming to school late or leaving before the end of seventh period! You must also check in at the beginning of every study hall.
2. No loitering in the parking lot. Once at school, you are here for classes or, if available, you may be outside at the basketball court during study hall. There is no need to be around cars.
3. All backpacks, crates, etc. are to be in the study hall area. No items are to be left in the hallways.
4. Keep voices down when in the hallways as there may be classes in session and there are pastor offices in the lower hallway.
5. Remember to use gym room bathrooms only. Do not go beyond the orange cones in lower hallway.
6. If weather is a factor, remember to listen to the radio or go on-line. Campus may close when the Red Clay School District closes. Check the Student Handbook for further information.

# Looking Back...

By David Sidowski

I know what most of you are thinking...summer is over, the fun has ended, and other than occasionally seeing your friends, there will be nothing but pain and suffering for the next nine months. School has once again created a gap between you and freedom, and now you are back to your “favorite” hobbies - reading, writing, and studying.

Rewind the clock seven years. I was a Towle freshman sitting next to my mom on the first day of school, thinking that I wanted to have the whole “high school” thing over with right that instant. My mind raced to what would happen if I grabbed the car keys that were dangling from my mom’s purse and made a bee-line for the door. After deciding that a 14-year-old taking the wheel of the family minivan wasn’t the best idea, I slumped back into my chair. The only thing that brought me a slim taste of hope was the thought of basketball season...but then again, that was still a good two months away. My mother turned to me, “David, are you paying attention? This is important!” “Yea right” I thought, “how could hearing about protons, neutrons, and morons be important!”

A year later, my father lectured me about the importance of getting good grades as I sat in the family room the night before the first day of my sophomore year. I sat there clueless as I listened to questions about my career goals and college plans. College? Career? Scholarships? The only things I wanted to think about were sports, friends, and video games. I told my dad I wanted

a job that was easy and made a lot of money – but then again who doesn’t? Even though I knew the whole college thing was a big deal, deep inside I just wanted to be a kid forever.

I always remember my parents encouraging me to pursue the things that interested me – the things that I was good at and had fun doing. As I grew older, I started to find my identity and started to walk in the truth of who I really was and what I was capable of achieving. However, it had nothing to do with how many math problems I could solve, how well I could do on my tests, or how many points I could score in a basketball game. I finally realized that God had created me with specific gifts and talents, and, with His guidance, the development of these gifts and talents were the keys to my satisfaction, joy, and ultimately the driving force behind achieving my goals.

You see, each of us has been given specific gifts and talents by God, and although we may not realize it, those gifts are embedded deep in our souls and will continue to shape our identities and purposes. Now I don’t mean you need to be a lion tamer, an NFL quarterback, or a guy who can prophesy like Moses. It may be something as simple as a compassionate heart or the ability to make people laugh! Whatever it is, make the decision to submit your gifts to God and allow him to propel you into a successful, satisfying and enjoyable future.

Proverbs 19:21 – “You can make many plans, but the LORD’s purpose will prevail.”

## A MESSAGE FROM THE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

### Greetings to One and All!

Hope each one of you had a wonderful summer! May you all approach the new school year with renewed enthusiasm! A special welcome to all new families who are joining Towle! If guidance-related questions should arise during the course of the year, please feel free to stop by my desk in the Study Hall.

For those who would like to attend a **National College Fair**, there is one scheduled for the fall in Philadelphia:

#### [Pennsylvania Convention Center](#)

Hall F- New Hall  
1101 Arch Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19107  
215/418-4700

#### Fair Hours:

Sunday, November 6, 2011  
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Closer to home, the **New Castle County College Fair** will be held at University of Delaware's Bob Carpenter Sports Center, Newark, DE on October 25, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

### PSAT

Saturday, October 15, 2011 at 8:45 a.m. at Faith Baptist Church, Limestone Road.

There are no refunds or walk-ins on the day of the test, as the testing materials were ordered ahead of time.

If questions, please contact Mrs. Kaliakin at [leezakal@udel.edu](mailto:leezakal@udel.edu)

My sincere best wishes to each one of you,

*Mrs. Leeza Kaliakin*

## *2011 – 2012 Towle Prayer Ministry*

It is our desire to continue the prayer ministry at Towle this year. There are several ways that you can be involved if you feel that God is leading you to be a part of this important ministry:

- 1.) We would love to pray for you. You can put your prayer requests in the box on the stage in the study hall. There will be slips of paper and a pen or pencil with the box so you can write down your prayer requests. When you write your prayer request down, please check the appropriate box on the paper:
  - Confidential (Mrs. Hickman or Mrs. Robinette, depending on with whom you share your request, will be the only one praying for these requests. They will not be shared with anyone else.)
  - Prayer Group (These requests will be sent out to anyone requesting to be notified of specific prayers)
- 2.) You can also e-mail your prayers to Mrs. Lori Hickman at [dlhickman7@juno.com](mailto:dlhickman7@juno.com). Again, please specify if you would like your prayer to be confidential or passed on to the prayer group.
- 3.) If your desire is to pray for others, you can be a part of the e-mail prayer group. Send your e-mail address to [dlhickman7@juno.com](mailto:dlhickman7@juno.com) to join the group receiving the prayer requests (except the confidential ones). **Note: Please send me your e-mail again this year, even if you have been a part of the prayer group in the past, so I can update my contact list.**
- 4.) You may also be part of the prayer group that prays for our school. Mrs. Virginia Robinette and other moms meet each Monday in the study hall room immediately after assembly. For more info or to relay prayer requests, you may contact Mrs. Virginia Robinette at home (302) 376 – 0686, on her cell phone at (302) 897 – 3722, or by e-mail [idahotv@verizon.net](mailto:idahotv@verizon.net).
- 5.) Finally, we would like to set aside a day of prayer on the first Monday of every month. You can pray on your own at home or with a friend(s), whatever fits your schedule. Some ideas of things to pray for are: the students, families – especially those at Towle for the first time, teachers, administration, board members, and special events that are taking place that month such as Science Fair/Olympiad, basketball games/tournaments, History Day, etc.

You may detach the bottom of this form and place it in the prayer box if either of these apply to you:

- Yes, I would like to part of the prayer ministry at Towle. Please add my e-mail to the prayer group list: \_\_\_\_\_
- I have a prayer request that I would like you to be praying for: \_\_\_\_\_
  - It is confidential. Please do not share it with the prayer group.

# 2011-12 Lab Schedule

## Fall (Wednesdays at FBC)

### **September 14, 2011** (Lab **Group 1** on school calendar)

(Please note that lab is Week 3 this month due to the later start of the school year)

- 8:30 – 10:30 Physics
- 9:30 – 11:30 Chemistry
- 10:30 – 12:30 Physical Science

### **September 28, 2011** (Lab **Group 2** on school calendar)

- 8:00 – 10:00 Anatomy & Physiology
- 10:00 – 12:00 Biology
- 12:30 – 2:30 Health

**October 12** Follow Lab **Group 1** schedule

**October 26** Follow Lab **Group 2** schedule

**November 9** Follow Lab **Group 1** schedule

**November 16** Follow Lab **Group 2** schedule

**December 7** To Be Announced

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# September 2011

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
4	5	6 <i>Week 1</i> <i>Mapping Day</i>	7	8	9	10
11	12 <i>Week 2</i> <i>Begin 4/5 Sci.</i>	13	14 <i>Lab Group 1</i>	15 <i>Begin Drama</i>	16	17
18	19 <i>Week 3</i>	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 <i>Week 4</i> <i>Teacher Mtg.</i>	27	28 <i>Lab Group 2</i>	29	30	<i>Oct 1, 2011</i>
2	3 <i>Week 5</i>	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 <i>Week 6</i>	11	12 <i>Lab Group 1</i>	13	14	15 <i>PSAT</i>