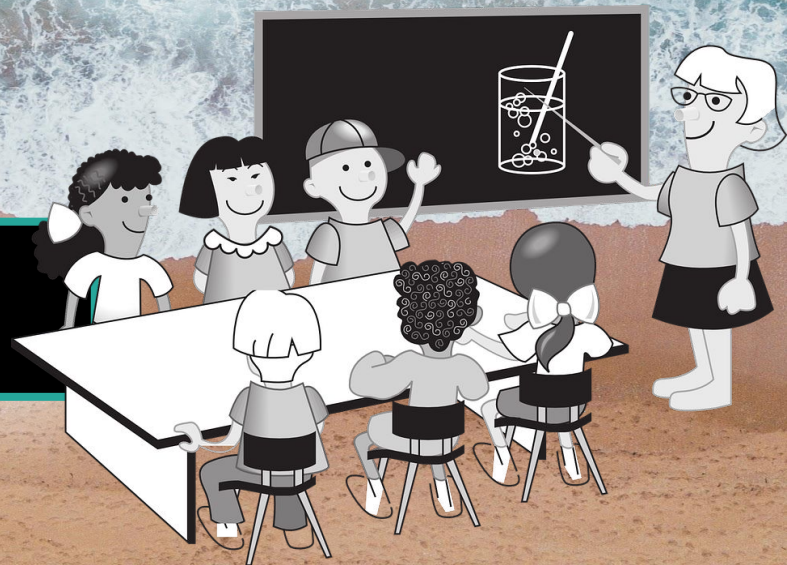




Summer School Handbook

2026



**LINKS
TO
RESOURCES**



CANVAS
Course
Website

Summer
School
Website

Orientation
Tutorial
Videos

Summer Calendar

Myron B. Thompson Academy 2026 SUMMER SCHOOL CALENDAR

Teachers' Work Year: June 2, 2026 - July 20, 2026 (29 instructional days & 4 additional teacher work days)

Students' Work Year: May 30 - June 2, 2026 (mandatory orientation & training) and June 4 - July 16, 2026 (29 instructional days)

Holidays Observed	<u>S</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>S</u>	Important Dates & Deadlines
May 25 - Memorial Day	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	May 30: Summer School Orientation (ZOOM - 1 morning manda
June	31	1	2	3	4	5	6	May 31 - June 2: Summer School Training for Students (CANVAS
Jun 11 - Kamehameha Day	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	June 3 - Summer School Withdrawal Deadline (100% refund)
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	June 4 - First day of Summer School - classes begin
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	June 10 - Summer School LATE Withdrawal Deadline (partial refund)
July	28	29	30	1	2	3	4	June 27 - Course Drop Deadline (no refund, no grade issued)
July 3 - (observed)	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	July 16 - Last Day for Summer School students - classes end
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	July 20 - Last day for Summer School teachers - grades due*
August	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
	26	27	28	29	30	31	1	
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**Mandatory
Orientation**

Mandatory Orientation & Training

ZOOM Orientation

May 30th

Students MUST attend and participate in ONE session.

Attendance will be taken.

Failure to attend and participate in training may result in cancellation of registration and enrollment.

Training

May 31 - June 1

Students will complete a self-guided training course with practice assignments, assessments, and discussions.

They will have access to the CANVAS training videos for reference.

Withdrawal

Withdrawal Deadlines & Policies

**Last Day for
100% REFUND**

JUNE 3

Complete by Deadline:

**Online Form
Paper Signed
Received by MBTA**

Refund Amount:

**1 Course = \$95.00
2 Courses = \$190.00**

**Last Day for
PARTIAL REFUND**

JUNE 10

Complete by Deadline:

**Online Form
Paper Signed
Received by MBTA**

Refund Amount:

**1 Course = \$75.00
2 Courses = \$160.00**

NO REFUND

**after
JUNE 10**

**Please notify Ms. Hyden of
any special circumstances
that prevent your completion
of the summer session.**

Refund Process:

- 1) completed & signed withdrawal forms must be received @ MBTA's office or Ms. Hyden's email by the deadline**
- 2) refund amounts must be verified and approved by the summer school director, in accordance with this policy**
- 3) MBTA's accountant will issue a check to the payee in the amount approved by the summer school director**

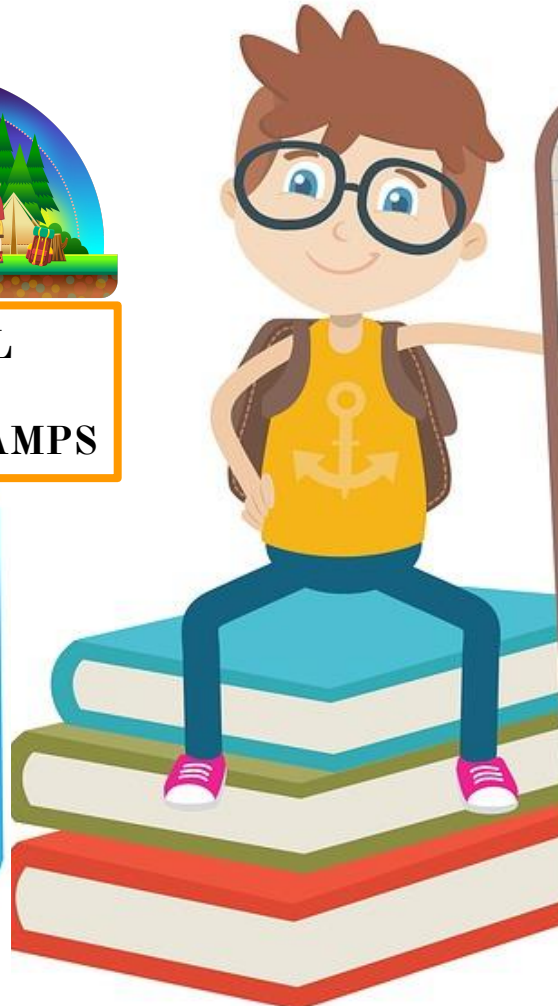
Travel, Summer Camps, Multi-Programs



TRAVEL & SUMMER CAMPS

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO:

- Inform your teachers beforehand
- Secure internet access for your trip
- Manage your time (activities & school)
- Discuss options with teacher if you will be unable to do school on trip or @camp



SUMMER SCHOOL HERE & THERE?

Although it is not advised to take summer classes at more than one school, MBTA will not dictate what you choose to do outside of our summer program.

Should you choose to enroll in multiple summer programs...

We do expect that you will take responsibility for this decision by managing your time and maintaining communication with your teacher(s).



Conduct & Etiquette

(Click the reference links below)

Anti-Bullying

- 1st Offense
Written Warning
- 2nd Offense
Parent Conference
- 3rd Offense
Expulsion (no refund)

Academic Honesty

- 1st Offense
Written Warning
- 2nd Offense
Parent Conference
- 3rd Offense
Expulsion (no refund)

Account Security

- Do not share an account
- Do not change password

Internet Safety



Because we operate in an online learning environment, it is imperative that students and staff abide by rules of etiquette to show mutual respect for each other and the common goal of success for all involved.

Point of Note



Gradebook Tools & Features

- **“Calculate based only on graded assignments”** - this tool should only be used if you are up to date with assignments and the teacher has graded everything
- **“What-if Scores”** - this tool should be used to set grade goals. Not to be mistaken for your actual grades.

A Cautionary Tale

There once was a student who completed only 1 of 20 assignments for the entire summer.

His report card read: F

He used these gradebook tools to display an A grade. Then he took screenshots of the A grade, and showed it to his counselor as “proof” that he passed with an A grade, instead of the F he had actually earned.

The screenshots were proven false, and he had to repeat the class to earn credit.

He was wrong to believe that he could pass the course, having done relatively no work.

Don't be that person!



The screenshot shows a web interface for a gradebook. The top navigation bar includes a hamburger menu, course information (SS18- Course Name Here), and a breadcrumb trail (Grades > Test Student). A sidebar on the left contains navigation options: Account, Announcements, Assignments, Grades (highlighted), Pages, Files, Syllabus, Quizzes, Modules, Collaborations, and Zoom. The main content area is titled "Grades for Test Student" and includes a "Print" button and a "Total: 0%" indicator. Below this is an "Arrange By" dropdown menu set to "Due Date" with an "Apply" button. A table lists assignments with columns for Name, Due, Score, and Out of. Two entries are visible, both for "DROPBOX: Worksheet" with due dates in June 2018. A white warning box on the right states: "Course assignments are not weighted." and "Calculate based only on graded assignments" is unchecked. It also explains that users can view grades based on What-If scores and provides instructions on how to test scores for assignments that are already graded or yet to be graded.

Name	Due	Score	Out of
DROPBOX: Worksheet	Jun 4, 2018 by 11:59pm	-	20
DROPBOX: Worksheet	Jun 5, 2018 by 11:59pm	-	20

Accommodations



Accommodations

Our summer school teachers will do their very best to meet the academic needs of all students enrolled, as we work toward a successful summer session.

Sometimes students may require additional support, for various reasons.

IEP and 504 Plans will be implemented as appropriate and applicable to the student's needs within our virtual program.



The student's grade level counselor or SSC must provide a copy of the IEP or 504 Plan to the summer school director:

summer@ethompson.org

Teacher Prerogative & Considerations



MBTA summer teachers abide by general rules and policies. However, teachers are permitted to develop their own policies and procedures within their classes.

Students must review each class syllabus & welcome message.

Be aware, class sizes may affect a teacher's response time to email and grading.

Schedule & Class Size

Each course has a schedule, set by the teacher. Schedules may be subject to change with or without notice.

Students must keep track of due dates and course requirements.

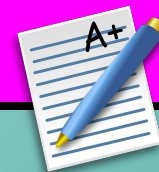
Each teacher has 1-4 classes. Classes may be 5-100+ students.

Email & Grades may take more or less time as class sizes vary.

Grading & Late Work

Teachers may develop and implement their own grading procedures including late work policies for each course. The details may be found in the syllabus or welcome message.

Students must know and follow the grading policies for each course.



Communication



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Teachers & staff are generally allowed 48 hours (excluding non-school days) to respond to student communications via email or phone. Teachers may establish additional protocols for communication.

Students must follow the communication protocols for each teacher and class.

Please refrain from spamming the teacher's inbox during the 48-hour window. An influx of duplicate messages may unnecessarily extend the time it takes teachers to respond.

PLEASE WAIT.

If you do not hear back after 48 hours, then you may contact again.

Tech Support

Account Issues

Accounts are created and distributed by Ms. Hyden.

If you are unable to log in to the CANVAS course website or do not see your courses after logging in, then contact Ms. Hyden.

mshyden@ethompson.org

Computer & Software

Not all hardware & software works properly together, so you may come across some issues.

Our tech support staff will have limited ability to assist with troubleshooting any issues with working our courses on your personal computer or device.

techsupport@ethompson.org
808-441-8080

Course Issues

If you are have questions or any trouble with course content, then you should first message the teacher.

If the issue cannot be solved by the teacher, then contact Ms. Hyden.

Because we operate in an online learning environment, students must use effective communication and troubleshooting methods. Taking screenshots of error messages or areas of confusion will help greatly.

Point of Note

SAVE YOUR WORK!

It is highly advised to keep copies of all the work that you submit for grading. Keep everything at least until you've received and reviewed your final grade.

Technology is wonderful, but it is not yet 100% reliable. You must safeguard your work, in the event that a tech issue occurs on your end or on ours.

Aside from your device (laptop, PC, or tablet), there are places you can store back-up copies of your school work for free, such as:

GoogleDrive
Or
Dropbox



BACKUP YOUR WORK!

Grade Reporting

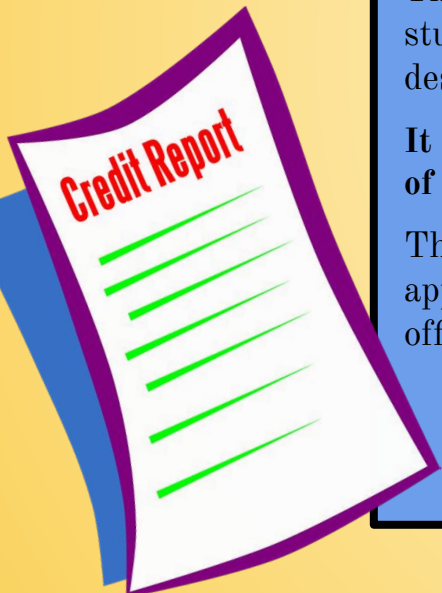
In the week after the summer session ends, teachers will manually input grades into our student archive server.

The summer school director will send students' grades to the school that was designated on their online application.

It is your responsibility to inform MBTA of any changes to the receiving school.

The registrar there is responsible for applying the grade and credit to your official transcript.

A report card will also be mailed to your provided mailing address, as scheduled, unless otherwise noted.



Progress Report

Parent/Guardians may receive a mid-term progress report if a student is not attending to their coursework or is struggling with the coursework.

In these cases, the summer school director will contact the parent/guardian to deliver the report.



Parent/guardians are encouraged to monitor their child's progress by viewing their gradebook in CANVAS.

June 4th Checklist



- Check Personal Email** (*teacher may have emailed*)
- Log-In to CANVAS**
- Check that Course Enrollment is Accurate**
(*links to your classes will be visible on June 4th*)
- Email Ms. Hyden if there are enrollment errors**
- Check CANVAS Messages Inbox**
- Read the Welcome Message in each of your courses**
- Read the Syllabus in each of your courses**
- Complete any assignments due for the day**

**THE
END**



On behalf of MBTA's 2026 Summer School Faculty & Staff, I thank you for choosing to spend your summer learning with us, and I wish you the best success with all of your summer endeavours.

Please email me with any questions or concerns: summer@ethompson.org

Ms. Brandi Hyden

MBTA Summer School Director