

Dear TLC Families,

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying a nice summer. We have been very busy at TLC these days and weeks, and we are all excited to welcome students back on campus for the upcoming 2021-22 school year! We have several important and exciting announcements to share with you regarding TLC and plans for this year. Please see below:

- **TLC is growing!** To accommodate all new and returning students in the 2021-22 school year, TLC will be adding new classrooms at a nearby site for our growing school. We are looking forward to showing everyone the new space and all it has to offer with larger classrooms, spaces to run and play, and a safe and secure environment for all. Below are pictures and a map of the location so everyone can find us! Please note the grade levels that will be offered at each site:
 - o 1130 E Walnut Ave (current site): TK, Kindergarten
 - o 250 S Yorba Street (new location): Grades 1 – 6





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Additional note: We are currently working out final details for transportation across the sites as needed for families. We will send a survey in the coming weeks to all families to determine needs for drop-off/pick-up at each location. Please watch for more information to come!

- **FREE After School Program for ALL:** TLC is pleased to announce that ALL students will have the opportunity to participate in our After School program this coming year, scheduled from 3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. daily. After School programming will include supplemental instruction in Literacy and Math as needed for students, homework help, social-emotional supports and interest-based enrichments such as art, drama, athletics, gaming/coding, and more! This program will be provided tuition-free for all students, and is specifically intended to address learning recovery and to help rebuild our caring learning community at TLC. We hope your child(ren) will join us!

- **Health and Safety Update:** Last week, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) released updated guidance for K-12 schools (<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/K-12-Guidance-2021-22-School-Year.aspx>) for the 2021-22 school year. This guidance specifies that:
 - K-12 students and school staff will be required to wear masks indoors. (Note that *public schools must follow this guidance* to operate for in-person instruction. CPDH will revisit and reconsider mask guidelines no later than November 1, 2021).
 - Physical distancing and ventilation remain important factors for safety.
 - Enhanced cleaning and hygiene practices are important for safety.
 - Students and staff should make sure to stay home if sick or showing symptoms of sickness (e.g. fever, cough) at any time.

Additional note: TLC will present all health and safety measures for our school in detail at upcoming Family Welcome meetings in early August. Please keep watch for notices and join us to learn more!

- **Parent Involvement and Volunteer Opportunities:** We look forward to welcoming parent volunteers back to our campuses in the coming year, and we also look forward to working with the TLC-CA to plan for community events, fundraisers, and fun times for all. THANK YOU to all families for your ongoing support and enthusiasm for our school ☺ Details on how to join in and opportunities to participate will be sent to you in the coming weeks and months—we look forward to seeing you!



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- **Administrative Leadership Team:** To make sure our academic program and learning community remains strong as TLC continues to expand and grow, we have welcomed new members of the administrative team for the upcoming year. Mrs. Shelley Lopez (Associate Principal, 1130 E Walnut Ave site) and Ms. Marisol Leal-Avalos (Assistant Principal, 250 S Yorba St site) will work closely with Dr. Tunney throughout this school year to maintain and enrich our inclusive, caring, arts-enriched academic program for all students at our school. Mrs. Lopez and Ms. Leal-Avalos bring a wealth of knowledge and experience in school administration, elementary education, special education, and charter school programming to our school—they are looking forward to getting to know you and your families this year!

- **School Supplies:** For those families who wish to purchase school supplies at this time, please see the attached grade-level supply lists. Please note that while we welcome families to purchase these items, no family is required to purchase materials to attend a public school in California. All students at TLC will be provided with the supplies needed to learn and thrive at school as needed. Please also note that your child(ren)'s teacher(s) may send home additional (optional) supply request lists at the beginning of the school year.

- **Important Dates!:** Please see below and mark your calendars for important upcoming dates and events.
 - o TK/Kindergarten Family Welcome (1130 E Walnut Ave): Tuesday, August 10th
 - All TK and Kindergarten students and families will be invited to campus to meet your teachers and tour the campus. More details to come....*we look forward to seeing you!*
 - o Grades 1 – 6 Family Welcome (250 S Yorba): Thursday, August 12th
 - All students Grades 1 – 6 and families will be invited to campus to meet your teachers and tour the new campus. More details to come....*we look forward to seeing you!*
 - o First Day of School: Monday, August 16th

Ok! I believe that is everything for now. Please enjoy the next few weeks of summer.... we look forward to seeing you all soon for the 2021-22 school year.

My very best to each, every, and all,
Dr. Tunney