



# TEMPLE CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dr. Kimberly Fricker

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Dear TCUSD Parents/Guardians,

This message is part of our daily communication we will deliver each afternoon. Please continue to check your email inbox for messages from TCUSD at least once a day. As a reminder, any question or concern can be addressed by emailing our helpline at [TCUSDhelpdesk@tcusd.net](mailto:TCUSDhelpdesk@tcusd.net). Please reach out to us, and we will respond within a 24-hour-period or sooner.

Additionally, please keep in mind that we are serving Grab & Go lunch for all TCUSD students in the TCHS Student Parking Lot on Temple City Blvd each day at 11am to 1pm, Monday through Friday until March 27th. Please drive through and remain in your car. Any students who need to walk to the lunch service will be given special directions for picking up lunch. Please follow these directions when you arrive in the lot so that we avoid a large crowd. The weekly menu is listed below and will be posted at [tcusd.net](http://tcusd.net) but is subject to change:

- Monday – Peanut butter and jelly sandwich
- Tuesday – Ham and cheese sandwich
- Wednesday – Turkey and cheese sandwich
- Thursday – Ham and cheese sandwich
- Friday – Yogurt, string cheese and granola

\* all lunches include carrots, raisins or cranberries and milk

Moreover, we know this period of closure brings feelings of uncertainty and concern. Although we have announced that we will be closed through our spring break ending April 5, 2020, we anticipate that this period will be extended, but we will continue to follow guidance from Governor Newsom, the California Department of Education (CDE) and the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) along with local health officials. We will update you when a decision to extend the closure period has been made.

As we continue to offer educational resources for the continuity of teaching and learning, we also understand not all students have the same circumstances in order to fully engage in distance learning. Likewise, we know students deal with the stress of difficult situations like this one surrounding COVID-19 in different ways; our dedicated counselors will reach out to your student to offer support and strategies when needed and through various methods. To have a counselor contact your student, please reach out to our helpline at [TCUSDhelpdesk@tcusd.net](mailto:TCUSDhelpdesk@tcusd.net). We will be uploading several parent resources for both academic and social emotional support at [tcusd.net](http://tcusd.net) throughout this week. Teachers, support providers, and counselors also have reached out to students with resources and support and will continue to do so.

Lastly, our extraordinary teachers have partnered together to plan for and support your student's learning needs during this challenging time. Please keep in mind, this style of teaching is not the preferred teaching and learning method of TCUSD, but teachers are willing to go the extra mile for our students. Many of our faculty and staff have children at home also, and like you, are balancing childcare needs with work obligations. We are a team at TCUSD and this includes you, our supportive parents. Together, we will rise above the challenges.

Sincerely,

*Kimberly Fricker*

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Superintendent of Schools