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Dear TCUSD Parents/Guardians,

Bi-Weekly Communication (Tuesdays and Thursdays)

This letter is part of our bi-weekly communication in an effort to keep all of our families informed. Please continue to check your email inbox for messages from TCUSD on Tuesdays and Thursdays. As a reminder, any question or concern can be addressed by emailing our helpline at TCUSDhelpdesk@tcusd.net. Please reach out to us, and we will respond within a 24-hour-period or sooner.

Grab-N-Go Lunches (11am -1pm on Monday, Wednesday & Friday)

We will continue to serve two Grab & Go lunches per child on each day for Monday and Wednesday and one lunch on Friday in the TCHS Student Parking Lot on Temple City Blvd. **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. If a parent can show the student's school ID card, we will serve the lunch to the adult on behalf of the student in case the student cannot be present. No ID card is necessary if the child is present. **Our last day of lunch service will be Wednesday, June 10, 2020.** No summer food service will be provided.

Brighter Side Singers Keep the Entertainment Alive

The Brighter Side Singers' *Extravaganza* entitled "Sing!" will be online at <https://www.facebook.com/TCHSPAB> (Performing Arts Boosters Facebook page) this Friday, May 29th at 7pm (act 1) and Saturday, May 30th at 7pm (act 2). This special event will feature numerous solos recorded this spring and group numbers recorded from the current school year. While this event would normally be a fundraiser for this talented group, it is being offered to everyone free of charge; however, with COVID-19 pushing us all in a "safer-at-home" setting, this group has lost the opportunity to raise the funds they need. If you would like to support our amazing Brighter Side Singers, go to www.templecitybrighterside.org/donate. All donations go to Temple City Schools Performing Arts via PayPal. For more information please contact Mr. Byers at mbyers@tcusd.net.

TCHS Graduation Plans

Many of you have reached out with concerns about the TCHS graduation ceremony. I wanted to let you know that our plans to hold an in-person graduation on Friday, August 7, 2020, have not changed. After surveying several members of the Class of 2020, we received the clear answer that our students want an actual graduation rather than a virtual one, if it can be done in a safe manner. By pushing out the date to August, we are hoping that we will have the ability to have an in-person graduation while still following the Los Angeles Public Health guidelines at that time. We want to offer an event as close to a typical graduation ceremony as possible. We cannot know for sure what this will look like just yet, but please know that we do plan to offer a graduation ceremony for our students. In order to prepare for this ceremony, cap and gown distribution will take place as a drive-thru service at TCHS on Thursday, June 11, 2020. More details about times for distribution of caps and gowns coming soon.

Reminder to Complete Our 2020-2021 Survey

Thank you to all of the parents who have responded to our survey. We understand that you have more to tell us and we want to hear you. More surveys will be sent out once we gather this input regarding attendance plans for next year. We are in this together and your feedback matters, but please remember that we must also follow the requirements put forth by State and local officials regarding health and safety. TCUSD will rise to the challenge of 2020-2021 with your help. The survey will be open until midnight tonight.