



TEMPLE CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dr. Kimberly Fricker

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Dear TCUSD Parents/Guardians and Students,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your dedication and genuine grit these past three months. On behalf of the TCUSD family, I would like to wish you all a peaceful and relaxing summer. Please use these next two months as a time to recharge your mind and rejuvenate your spirit. Although we will miss being connected to all of our families, we will capitalize on this time to plan, train and implement. We will finalize our plans for the opening of our schools in collaboration with a task force dedicated to setting up the 2020-2021 school year for success.

Based on the data we received from our parent feedback surveys, we will plan to implement a blended learning model where students learn from home part-time and learn on campus part-time; however, we will also plan to support those parents who need childcare for the “at-home” learning days and at the same time provide a completely virtual educational plan for the students whose parents feel that the risks related to the virus far outweigh the benefit of being on campus a few days of the week.

Additionally, our Board of Education has approved the adoption of the Canvas Learning Management System. This adoption will allow us to streamline our communication with students and parents while also affording us greater abilities within the realm of instructional technology. We will support our teachers with detailed training during the summer and throughout the school year. We will also offer parent training beginning in August so that our partnership continues to help our students thrive. Here is a sneak-peek to how Canvas will ease the role of our parents in their student’s learning: [Canvas for Parents](#)

Finally, you may have heard about the proposed cuts to education from the Governor’s Office. While COVID-19 has definitely hurt our economy, we cannot let the Governor absorb the losses by cutting education. Please let Congress know your thoughts and help us save our schools: [Engage Your Elected Officials](#). We will diligently work to continue the academic excellence TCUSD is known for while respecting the concerns you have as parents and students in our award-winning district, but to offer flexible programs, we need to support our teachers and staff with training and instructional technology resources. Please let your voice be heard.

Throughout the summer, the TCUSDhelpdesk@tcusd.net will be available Monday through Thursday from 7am to 5pm. In the beginning of July, we will begin our data confirmation process and send out the school site registration information. Please continue to check your emails from us.

#wearetcusd truly means that each one of us matters. I am excited for the 2020-2021 school year and look forward to seeing you all in August. I’ve enclosed the [2020-2021 TCUSD Instructional Calendar](#) for your review. Stay Well, TCUSD.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Fricker

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Superintendent of Schools