TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS



2022-2023 DISTRICT CALENDAR

#BETTERTOGETHER

WE ARE SCHOLARS TOGETHER

Honesty and Truth are Rainier Scholars, achieving students, role models and leaders, but it wasn't always that way. In kindergarten, they struggled to stay in class and keep up with school work. What made the difference? Their own hard work and the unwavering support, consistency and patience of their family and school staff.

Honesty and Truth Ports, students and twins, Reed Elementary.



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SEPTEMBER 2022

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AUGUST S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	Library Card Sign-Up Month			1	2	3
4	5 Labor Day District Offices Closed	6 **TEACHER WORKSHOP DAY** **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**	7 **TEACHER WORKSHOP DAY** **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**	8 **SCHOOL STARTS GRADES 1-12** International Literacy Day School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	9	10
11 Grandparents' Day Sept. 11-17 National Arts in Education Week Patriot Day	12	13 **KINDERGARTEN STARTS**	14 **Late Start**	15 **FIRST DAY OF FULL-DAY PRESCHOOL** Sept. 15-Oct. 15 Hispanic Heritage Month School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	16	17 Citizenship Day Sept. 17-23 Constitution Week
18	19 **FIRST DAY OF HALF-DAY AND PEER INCLUSION PRESCHOOL**	20	21 **Late Start K-12** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool** International Day of Peace	22 First Day of Autumn School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	23	24
25	26	27	28 **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	29	30	OCTOBER S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23/30 24/31 25 26 27 28 29

Tacoma Online (TOL) keeps students and educators together, even when they are miles apart. TOL's flexible schedule lets Ellie do her schoolwork anytime, anywhere, allowing her to focus on her passion for dance and support her family.

Ellie Roos, TOL Middle school student. Staff clockwise from upper left: Rebecca Foster, teacher; Betty Williams, teacher; Sarah Conn, advisor, PACE coach; Taylor Reyes, school counselor.

WE ARE INNOVATIVE TOGETHER

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SEPTEMBER S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	NOVEMBER S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	Crime Prevention Month Czech Heritage Month Disability History Month Discover U Month Filipino American Heritage Month Italian American Heritage and Culture Month	LGBTQIA+ History Month National Bullying Prevention Month National Principals Month Polish American Heritage Month			**1** Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Available
2	**3** Child Health Day	**4**	**5** **Late Start** **No School for Preschool** (except Montessori) International Walk to School Day	**6**	**7** **DISTRICT DATA DAY** **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**	**8**
9 Oct. 9-15 Fire Prevention Week Washington State Children's Day	**10** Indigenous People's Day Columbus Day Oct. 11-15 National School Lunch Week	**11**	**12** PreK-5 Conferences **1 hour late start 9-12** **2 hour late start 6-8** **No Late Start PreK-5** **No School for p.m. Preschool, Peer Inclusion Preschool** **Early Release PreK-5: 12:15 p.m.** PSAT/NMSQT testing Grade 11 SAT testing Grade 12	**13** All Grades Conferences **No School for p.m. Preschool, Peer Inclusion Preschool** **Early Release grades PreK-12** **H.S. 10:50 a.m.** **M.S. 11:30 a.m.** **E.S. 12:15 p.m.** School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	**14** All Grades Conferences **No School for p.m. Preschool, Peer Inclusion Preschool** **Early Release grades PreK-12** **H.S. 10:50 a.m.** **M.S. 11:30 a.m.** **E.S. 12:15 p.m.**	**15**
16 Oct. 16-22 National Character Counts Weeks	**17** Oct. 17-21 National School Bus Safety Week	**18**	**19** **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	**20** School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	**21** **TPS Spirit Day: Tacoma Day**	**22**
23/30 Oct. 23-31 Red Ribbon Week (Drug-Free America)	**24/31** Oct. 24 United Nations Day	**25**	**26** **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	**27** School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	**28**	**29**



WE ARE ACTIVE TOGETHER

A growing number of elementary students know him simply as Coach Gabe. As one of many student coaches for Beyond the Bell, he learns the joys and challenges of being a role model, teacher and mentor, while the young athletes discover a greater sense of belonging.

Gabriel Waller, Beyond the Bell coach and Stadium High School student. Marques Phillips, student athlete.

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OCTOBER S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23/30 24/31 25 26 27 28 29	Native American Heritage Month	1	2 **Late Start** **No School for Preschool** (except Montessori)	3	4	5
6 Reset Clocks, Daylight Savings Time Ends	7 Nov. 7-Dec. 16 PSAT testing window grade 8	8 Election Day	9 **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	10 **School Board Meeting 6 p.m.**	11 Veterans Day **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed	12
13	14 Nov. 14-18 American Education Week	15	16 **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	17	18 Substitute Educators Day	19
20 Nov. 20-26 National Family Week	21	22	23 Thanksgiving Break **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed	24 Thanksgiving Day **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed	25 Thanksgiving Break **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed Native American Heritage Day	26
27	28	29	30 **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**			DECEMBER S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31



WE ARE THRIVING TOGETHER

David is an example of what happens when an education community unites to meet a student's needs. From the time he entered preschool, he's had the backing of dozens of special education and general education teachers, administrators, therapists and coaches – and the unconditional love of his mom. Now he's thriving and growing more independent every day.

David Houghton, student, Science and Math Institute.
Debbie Shapiro, teacher, Tacoma School of the Arts, and David's mom.

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4	5 Elementary Trimester Break **No School for PreK-5 students only** Head Start and ECEAP Conferences	6 Head Start and ECEAP Conferences **No School for Head Start and ECEAP Preschool**	7 **Late Start** Head Start and ECEAP Conferences **No school for Preschool** (except Montessori) National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day	8 ECEAP Conferences **No School for half-day ECEAP Preschool** School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	9 ECEAP Conferences **No School for half-day ECEAP Preschool**	10
11	12	13	14 **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	15 School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	16	17
18	19 Winter Break **NO SCHOOL**	20 Winter Break **NO SCHOOL**	21 Winter Break **NO SCHOOL** First Day of Winter	22 Winter Break **NO SCHOOL**	23 Winter Break **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed	24
25	26 Winter Break **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed	27 Winter Break **NO SCHOOL**	28 Winter Break **NO SCHOOL**	29 Winter Break **NO SCHOOL**	30 Winter Break **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed	31



WE ARE ROOTED TOGETHER

For Leila, dancing is more than just fun – it's an expression of her heritage. She's a member of Tautua Pasifika, a student club celebrating Pacific Islander culture through traditional dance and music. The Mount Tahoma group helps Leila connect to her Samoan roots and better understand her identity.

Leila Viena, student, Mount Tahoma High School.
Members of Mount Tahoma's Tautua Pasifika Club.

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JANUARY 2023

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1 New Year's Day School Board Recognition Month Tacoma Whole Child Month Emancipation Proclamation Anniversary	**2** New Year's Day Observed **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed	**3** **SCHOOL RESUMES**	**4** **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	**5**	**6**	**7**
8	**9**	**10**	**11** **Late Start** **No School for Preschool** (except Montessori)	**12** School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	**13** Korean-American Day Temperance & Good Citizenship Day Observed	**14**
15	**16** Martin Luther King Jr. Day **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed	**17**	**18** **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	**19** School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	**20** **TPS Spirit Day:** **College and Career Day**	**21**
22	**23**	**24**	**25** **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	**26** School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	**27**	**28**
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WE ARE CONFIDENT TOGETHER

Issiah keeps showing the world, and himself, what he's capable of. While he manages his schooling, he also delivers lunches for the district's CAB Cafe, which provides high schoolers with disabilities the opportunity to gain work experience. During the summer, he maintains forest trails. As Issiah's confidence grows, he's becoming an example of positivity and kindness to his peers.

Issiah Blount, CAB Cafe and Silas High School student, with fellow CAB Cafe students.

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FEBRUARY 2023

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JANUARY S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	Black History Month Career and Technical Education Month National Children's Dental Health Month		1 **Late Start** **No School for Preschool** (except Montessori)	2 National Education Association Read Across America Day	3 Secondary Semester Break **NO SCHOOL for grades 6-12 only**	4
5	6 Feb. 6-10 National School Counseling Week	7	8 **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	9 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	10	11 Abraham Lincoln's Birthday
12	13	14	15 **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	16 **DATA DAY** **NO SCHOOL** School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	17 **NO SCHOOL** (Snow make-up day if needed)	18 Feb. 18-25 National FFA Week
19 Civil Liberties Day of Remembrance	20 Presidents Day **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed	21 George Washington's Birthday	22 **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	23 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	24 **TPS Spirit Day: Give-back Day**	25
26	27	28				MARCH S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31


WE ARE
SMARTER
TOGETHER
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IS A PIECE OF
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For Pi Day, March 14, Lyon students memorized as many digits of pi as they could. José soon found he had a knack for numbers and could remember more digits than anyone at school. His teacher and classmates helped him uncover an undiscovered talent, and together, they celebrate it.
José Ramirez-Martinez, student, Lyon Elementary.
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MARCH 2023

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FEBRUARY S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	American Red Cross Month Irish American Heritage Month Music in Our Schools Month National Middle Level Education Month	National Nutrition Month® Social Work Month Women's History Month Youth Art Month	**1** **Late Start** **No School for Preschool** (except Montessori) SAT testing grade 11	**2**	**3**	**4**
5 March 5-11 National Foreign Language Week	**6** March 6-10 National School Breakfast Week	**7**	**8** **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool** International Women's Day	**9** School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	**10**	**11**
12 Reset Clocks to Daylight Saving Time	**13** ECEAP Conferences **No School for half-day ECEAP Preschool** March 14-18 Education Support Professionals Week (all classified employees)	**14** ECEAP Conferences **No School for half-day ECEAP Preschool**	**15** **Late Start** Preschool Conferences **No School for Preschool** (except Montessori)	All Grades Conferences **16** **NO SCHOOL for Preschool** (except Montessori) **Early Release grades** **PreK-12** **H.S. 10:50 a.m.** **M.S. 11:30 a.m.** **E.S. 12:15 p.m.** Absolutely Incredible Kid Day® School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	All Grades Conferences **17** **NO SCHOOL for Preschool** (except Montessori) **Early Release grades** **PreK-12** **H.S. 10:50 a.m.** **M.S. 11:30 a.m.** **E.S. 12:15 p.m.**	**18**
19 First day of Spring International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	**20**	**21**	**22** **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	**23** School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	**24**	**25**
26	**27**	**28**	**29** **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	**30**	**31** Cesar Chavez Day	**APRIL** S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23/30 24 25 26 27 28 29



WE ARE ADVENTUROUS TOGETHER

Gary isn't interested in social divisions—he's got too much to do. He performs in musicals and plays. He dances. He runs track. He plays soccer and basketball. His adventurous spirit means he's at home among many types of students, and Hunt gives him plenty of chances to explore his talents.

Gary Schneider, Hunt Middle School 7th grader with Hunt teachers Rafe Wadleigh and Dana Raike and students Le'liana Campbell-Schreiner and Aaliyah Bennett.

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APRIL 2023

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2 International Children's Book Day	3 Spring Break **NO SCHOOL**	4 Spring Break **NO SCHOOL**	5 Spring Break **NO SCHOOL**	6 Spring Break **NO SCHOOL**	7 Spring Break **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed	8
9	10 Dolores Huerta Day	11	12 **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	13 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	14 **TPS Spirit Day: Athletics Day**	15
16 April 16-22 National Student Leadership Week	17 April 17-21 Public School Volunteer Week	18	19 **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	20 School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	21	22 Earth Day
23/30 April 23-29 Administrative Professionals Week April 23-29 National Library Week	24	25	26 **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool** Administrative Professionals Day	27 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	28 National Arbor Day	29



WE ARE COMMITTED TOGETHER

As a child in Tacoma Public Schools, Kendy felt the power of good teachers. In the Teach 253 program at Lincoln High School, Lisa Egenes helped her envision a future where she could have that power. Now she's back in Tacoma as a first-year teacher, committed to serving the kids of her community.

Kendy Valadez, Lincoln High School Class of 2018, former Teach 253 student and first-year teacher, Tacoma Public Schools. Lisa Egenes, teacher and Teach 253 program coordinator, Lincoln High School.

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MAY 2023

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APRIL S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23/30 24 25 26 27 28 29	**1** May 1-5 Teacher Appreciation Week May 1-7 National Physical Education and Sports Week	**2** National Teacher Day	**3** **Late Start** **No School for Preschool** (except Montessori) National Bike to School Day	**4**	**5**	**6**
7 May 7-13 Be Kind to Animals Week May 7-14 National Music Week	**8**	**9**	**10** **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool** National School Nurse Day	**11** School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	**12**	**13**
14 Mother's Day	**15**	**16**	**17** **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	**18** School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	**19** **TPS Spirit Day: Blast from the Past Day**	**20** Armed Forces Day
21	**22**	**23**	**24** **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	**25** School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	**26** **NO SCHOOL** (Snow make-up day if needed)	**27**
28	**29** Memorial Day **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed	**30**	**31** **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific American Heritage Month Better Hearing and Speech Month	Mental Health Awareness Month National Physical Fitness and Sports Month	JUNE S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30



WE ARE READY TOGETHER

This month, the graduating Class of 2023 will enter the world as confident, educated adults. At every step of their school journey, they were nurtured, supported, served and sustained by their communities – at school, at home and throughout this city. They are living proof that we are better together.

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JUNE 2023

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MAY S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	Caribbean-American Heritage Month June-July Fireworks Safety Months LGBTQIA+ Pride Month			1	2	3
4	5	6	7 **Late Start** **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool**	8 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	9	10
11 Race Unity Day	12	13 High School Graduation 10:30 a.m. Tacoma Online 1 p.m. SAMi 4 p.m. SOTA 7 p.m. IDEA All at the Tacoma Dome Exhibition Hall	**Late Start** 14 Flag Day **No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool** High School Graduation 1 p.m. Lincoln 4 p.m. Stadium 7 p.m. Oakland All at the Tacoma Dome	15 High School Graduation 1 p.m. Foss 4 p.m. Silas 7 p.m. Mt. Tahoma All at the Tacoma Dome	16	17
18 Father's Day	19 Juneteenth **NO SCHOOL** District Offices Closed	20	21 **NO SCHOOL** for Peer Inclusion Preschool **LAST DAY** of School Head Start and ECEAP First day of Summer	22 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	23 **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL** **EARLY RELEASE** **H.S. 10:50 a.m.** **M.S. 11:30 a.m.** **E.S. 12:15 p.m.**	24
25	26 Snow make-up day (if needed)	27 Snow make-up day (if needed)	28	29	30 District Offices Closed	JULY S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23/30 24/31 25 26 27 28 29

JULY 2023

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2	3	4 Independence Day District Offices Closed	5	6	7	8
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AUGUST 2023

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Questions about: Your Child
(academics or support)

→ **Contact Your Child's Teacher**
Email and phone number on the school's website

If not resolved with the Teacher ↓

Questions about: School-related Issues
(events or operations)

→ **Contact Your Child's Principal**
Email and phone number on the school's website

If not resolved with the Principal ↓

Contact Director of Schools

Elementary	(253) 571-1032
Secondary	(253) 571-1191

If not resolved with the Director ↓

Contact Office of K12 Support

Office	(253) 571-1036

Contact Superintendent & Board of Directors

Superintendent	(253) 571-1010
Board of Directors	(253) 571-1443

Questions about: District-related Issues
(department or program)

→

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Athletics & Activities	(253) 571-1123
Enrollment	(253) 571-1142
Highly Capable	(253) 571-1120
Safety & Security	(253) 571-1255
Special Education	(253) 571-1224

District Coordinators

Civil Rights Coordinator	(253) 571-1252
Elem. Title IX Coordinator	(253) 571-1318
Sec. Title IX Coordinator	(253) 571-1191
Elem. 504 Coordinator	(253) 571-1096
Sec. 504 Coordinator	(253) 571-1003

Teaching and Learning

Early Learning	(253) 571-2620
Curriculum & Instruction	(253) 571-1115

Transportation

First Student	(253) 272-7750
Special Education-Transportation	(253) 571-1855

Public Records and Legal

Records & Legal	(253) 571-1013

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(253) 571-1263

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There are lots of ways to get information and stay connected with Tacoma Schools. Select the methods that fit you and your family. Reach out to your student's school to update your contact information.

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Need more assistance or still have questions?
Call the District's general line at 253-571-1000.

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- First Day of School
- Mini Term (Jan. 3 - 31)
  Micro Term (Jun. 8-16)
- No School for IDEA
  SAMI, SOTA
- Late Start
- Conferences
  (Early Release)
- Last Day of School

Our commitment to students, staff and community

The District is committed to eliminating inequitable barriers and to implementing governance that intentionally creates racial equity.

The District rejects racism, bias and hatred toward people based upon their race, color or ethnicity, with a goal of eliminating racism in District schools.

The District also rejects other forms of bigotry, bias and hatred toward all people, inclusive of indigenous or Native, LGBTQIA+, gender diversity, cultural and religious minorites and people with disabilities.

The **Tacoma School District 2020-2025 Strategic Plan** is the result of our belief that all students achieve their full potential by participation in an educational experience that is relevant, challenging and individualized, an experience that shares such common values as equity, cultural understanding, accountability and leadership and was designed based on the overarching goals of achievement, innovation, instruction, collaboration, early learning, and safety for all students in all schools. tacomaschools.org/strategicplan

Goal 1: Academic Excellence
We will support all students to perform at or above grade level and eliminate group disparities.

Goal 2: Partnerships
We will fully engage our parents, community and staff in the education of our children.

Goal 3: Early Learning
We will focus on early assessment and intervention at the Pre-K through 3rd grade levels to ensure early academic success.

Goal 4: Health and Safety
We will create and maintain healthy and safe learning environments that promote excellent academic achievement.

Goal 5: Operations
We will focus on effective and efficient business practices to ensure student academic success.

School closures for inclement weather

The decision to close schools due to inclement weather or bad road conditions is made by the superintendent as early as possible, usually around 5:30 a.m. The district will announce the decision to close schools in a variety of ways to help parents get the information quickly and accurately. These include:

- A popup on the district's website home page (**tacomaschools.org**)
- A post on the district's Facebook page (**facebook.com/tacomaschools**)
- A tweet to the district's Twitter followers (**twitter.com/tacomaschools**)
- **Recorded phone message**, email and text sent to guardians
- An update posted on www.flashalert.net, accessible to the public and monitored by regional media
- A recorded message left on the district information line at **253-571-1015 by 6 a.m.**

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please contact the main office at your child's school to ensure the school has your most current contact information so you will receive the district's recorded messages and emails.

Your School Board



Front row left to right: Board Directors Lisa Keating, Elizabeth Bonbright and Chelsea McElroy. Back row: Board Directors Enrique Leon and Korey Strozier.

Attend a meeting:
School Board meetings begin at **6 p.m.** and are held in the 4th Floor Auditorium at the Central Administration Building at 601 South 8th Street in Tacoma, unless otherwise posted. All regular board business meetings and study session meetings are public and everyone is encouraged to attend. Executive sessions are closed to the public. Public parking and the main entrance are located on the west side of the building at South G Street.

- **School Board Meetings**
  - 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month, except for once monthly meetings in July/August/December.
- **Study Sessions**
  - 3rd Thursday of the month, as needed.

Watch a meeting:
School Board meetings and study sessions are streamed live on KTPS TV (Comcast Channel 26 or Click/Rainier Connect Channel 25) and the district's YouTube channel. Recordings of each meeting are also posted on YouTube.

Find detailed information including meeting agendas and minutes and instructions for public comment on our website: **www.TacomaSchools.org/about/school-board**

2022-2023 YEAR AT A GLANCE

TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
EVERY STUDENT. EVERY DAY.

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- First Day of School Grades 1-12 (Sept. 8)
- Kindergarten Starts
- No School for All Grades
- No School for Elementary Only
- No School for Middle & High School Only
- Late Start
- No School (Snow Make-Up Day if Needed)
- Last Day of School Early Release (Jun. 16)
- Conferences (Early Release) Oct. 12: Elementary Conferences Only. Early release grades K-5. No late start for elementary students. 1-hour late start for high school students; 2-hour late start for middle school students.

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Cover: March calendar features José with his class at Mary Lyon.
Back cover: Kindergarteners from Ms. Poon's class at Reed Elementary.

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District Calendar 2022-2023

Note: Some schools' calendar dates vary and are subject to change.

Tacoma Public Schools does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Civil Rights Coordinator: Renee Trueblood, 253-571-1252, civilrights@tacoma.k12.wa.us; Title IX Coordinator, Elementary: Christa Erolin, 253-571-1318, cerolin@tacoma.k12.wa.us; Title IX Coordinator, Secondary: Wayne Greer, 253-571-1191, wgreer@tacoma.k12.wa.us; 504 Coordinator, Elementary: Jennifer Herbold, 253-571-1096, jherbol@tacoma.k12.wa.us; 504 Coordinator, Secondary: Megan Nelson, 253-571-1003, mnelson@tacoma.k12.wa.us Mailing address: P.O. Box 1357, Tacoma, WA 98401-1357. If you have questions regarding this nondiscrimination statement and its use, please write civilrights@tacoma.k12.wa.us.

To request ADA accommodation for disabilities or printed materials in a format for visually impaired, call 253-571-1021.

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