

TCEA Families,

We hope this correspondence finds you all well given the circumstances we all are in at the moment. Now that we are at the end of our 2019-2020 school year, we are preparing for several vital educational offerings that aim to push learning at the academy. In this letter, I will touch on what we are doing to cater to our students and their families as we move through summer. In addition, and probably most important, I will share some of the preparations for the fall when we return to school in the building. We are scheduled to begin school on Tuesday, August 25, 2020. It is essential to remember plans may be updated based on the governor's directives, North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS), as well as North Carolina's Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI).

Under the advisement of NCDPI and the NCDHHS, all schools are required to develop three plans:

**Plan A** allows students to return to school with minimal social distancing. This plan will be implemented if COVID-19 metrics continue to stabilize.

**Plan B** will be required if state COVID-19 metrics worsen, and it is determined moderate social distancing is necessary. During Plan B, TCEA will offer an A/B schedule. Where group A will attend school Monday/Wednesday, and every 1st and 3rd Friday and group B will attend school on Tuesday/Thursday and every 2nd and 4th Friday. During Plan B, siblings will attend school on the same days. We will provide support to the best of our abilities for families without childcare during the A/B schedule. Fifth Fridays have been taken into consideration and will be used to ensure an equal amount of in-person days between both groups.

**Plan C** will be implemented only if state COVID-19 metrics worsen significantly enough to require suspension of in-person instruction and the implementation of remote learning for all students.

Please note, all interactions within the school will follow all safety precautions and mandates as prescribed by the governor, NCDHHS, and NCDPI. TCEA will also have a 100% VIRTUAL offering for parents who may feel uncomfortable sending their child back to the school building. At this point, we plan to offer Encore Kids College (EKC), AM care, and PM care. More detailed information will be shared as it's confirmed on exactly which plan will be implemented. We value your loyalty to TCEA, and we will always make sure we do all we can for parents to feel comfortable about their child's educational experience. More information on TCEA's Virtual Academy will be made available soon.

Regards,

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