

# TCA Newsletter

Monday, November 15, 2021

## Upcoming Events

November 15 - No School - Conference Prep

November 16 - Info Session #2

November 17 - Picture Day - Newly Rescheduled Date

November 18 - Shadow Day

November 20 - Conferences for 1st Quarter

November 24-26 - Thanksgiving Holiday

December 2 - High School Showcase

December 7 - Info Session #3



The weight room is now open until 5:15 on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays starting next week. Meet in the cafeteria.

In an effort to better serve you and our community, we would greatly appreciate you taking about 5-10 minutes to fill out our short survey below. Your feedback is very appreciated as we hope to continue to improve TCA!

# <u>Parent Survey Here</u>



November 18 is Give to the Max Day but Early Giving is underway now! Help support TCA continue to grow and thrive!

<u>Donate HERE!</u>

### **EXCITING NEW PROGRAMS AT TCA**



This school year, the math department is using a program called IXL. It is an online program designed to help students with math standards they are struggling to understand as well as working with the classroom math teacher to support the Minnesota State standards that are being taught in your student's current math class. This program may eventually be used in all grade levels (and math courses) but for this first year it is used in all of middle school and select high school classes. We will be taking this assessment three times this year (September, December, and May) to mark student's progress.

Should you have any questions about the TCA math curriculum and how it relates to IXL, feel free to contact your student's math teacher. Should you have any questions about the IXL Diagnostic or how testing works at TCA, feel free to contact the Math Interventionist at JBakeberg@TwinCitiesAcademy.org



In addition to IXL in the math department, TCA has rolled out the Achieve3000 program in English, history and science classes. Achieve3000 is a computer-based reading program that reaches every student at their own level. Your student receives reading materials that are not too easy nor too difficult, but are at just the right level to help increase their literacy skills and prepare them for college and/or a career.

Research shows that students best develop their reading skills when they work with text that is matched to their independent reading level. In their classes, all students read the same lesson, but the difficulty is matched to their lexile level. As students progress in their literacy skills, their lexile level will adjust and grow.

The students will use the data of their lexiles to work on college and career readiness goals and explore what they need in order to succeed in various careers. It is imperative that students do their best within the program so they can accurately see where they are and so they can see their growth. Unlike the MCA's, a one time snapshot of their learning, Achieve3000 tracks progress and growth frequently and updates monthly.

If you have any questions about Achieve3000, please feel free to reach out to Sarah Ancel at sancel@twincitiesacademy.org.

More information will come at conferences for both IXL and Achieve3000. There are tools and ways that you can help your student with both areas using these programs at home. Let's have a great school year!

## Nurse's Notes

### Oh No! I've Misplaced My Covid Registration Card! Now What?!

The MN Department of Health can assist you in finding your vaccine information via

The Docket App

Easily access your or your family's immunization records through the Docket app. Docket gives Minnesotans with a MIIC record a digital option to securely access their immunization history in MIIC. With Docket, users can:

- See their immunization history from MIIC
- Check what vaccines they or their family may be due for
- See what vaccines they may need in the future
- Share immunization records for health, school, travel, and other purposes

Request a copy of your vaccination records from MIIC

To request your personal MIIC record, or the record of a person who you are the parent/guardian of, complete a MIIC Immunization Record Request. Requests will be processed in the order they are received. Due to a high volume of requests, if you need a copy of your immunization record within the next 33 business days please contact your health care provider.

A parent or legal guardian can request records for children under the age of 18 years. People over the age of 18 years old must request their own record. You cannot request a record for your spouse/partner.

We do not collect social security numbers. Requesters should not provide this information. Find more on data privacy and how immunization records get into MIIC at <u>Data Privacy and MIIC Records</u>.

Other things you can try

• Facilities where immunizations were given, such as your primary care clinic, neighborhood clinics, and local public health departments, may have immunization records.

Find Docket and MIIC information at the link below.

<u>Find My Immunization Record - Minnesota Dept. of Health</u>

1st Quarter Conferences will be held on Saturday, November 20, 2021 from 7:30-3:00. Conferences will be in person at TCA. Please use the link below to sign up with your child's advisory teacher only. If you would like to donate breakfast or lunch for our staff, there are sign up links included with the teacher sign ups. Thank you!

# <u>1st Quarter Conferences - Sign Up Here</u>





St. Paul bookstore,
Red Balloon, will be
providing the books
at TCA's Fall
Conference Book
Fair, Saturday,
November 20th



### HIGHSCHOOL YEARBOOK DETAILS

11.20.21 | BUY THE YEARBOOK EARLY AND SAVE MONEY. PURCHASE THE HIGH SCHOOL YEARBOOK BY 11/20/21 AND SAVE \$5. VISIT THIS LINK TO PURCHASE.

01.21.22 | SENIORS: SUBMIT YOUR SENIOR PHOTO & QUOTE! ALL SENIOR PHOTOS AND QUOTES MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THIS DATE. YOU CAN E-MAIL THESE TO ENEILSON@TWINCITIESACADEMY.ORG. WATCH FOR A GOOGLE FORM IN SCHOOLOGY LATER THIS MONTH FOR A PLACE TO SUBMIT SENIOR QUOTES.

03.01.22 | WANT YOUR BOOK PERSONALIZED? ORDER IT BY THIS DATE! NO BOOKS CAN BE PERSONALIZED AFTER THIS DATE.

MAY, TBD | DISTRIBUTION. YEARBOOKS USUALLY ARRIVE IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS OF MAY.

WE ARE ONLY PRINTING 100 BOOKS THIS YEAR, SO MAKE SURE TO ORDER YOURS RIGHT AWAY TO ENSURE YOU GET ONE! IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE HIGH SCHOOL YEARBOOK, PLEASE DIRECT THEM TO HIGH SCHOOL YEARBOOK ADVISOR MS. NEILSON AT

ENEILSON@TWINCITIESACADEMY.ORG. (IF YOU NEED INFORMATION ON THE MIDDLE SCHOOL YEARBOOK FOR A YOUNGER SIBLING PLEASE CONTACT MS. GIBSON AT KGIBSON@TWINCITIESACADEMY.ORG

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL YEARBOOKS ARE NOW ON SALE!

THE YEARBOOK CLUB IS WORKING HARD TO CREATE YOUR 2021-2022
YEARBOOK FILLED WITH MEMORIES, FRIENDS, AND EVENTS. PURCHASE
BEFORE NOVEMBER 16TH AND ONLY PAY \$30!

RESERVE YOUR COPY NOW BY GOING TO WWW.BALFOUR.COM AND SEARCHING TWIN CITIES ACADEMY MIDDLE SCHOOL. FOR QUESTIONS PLEASE REACH OUT TO LIZ VANDERGON AT EVANDERGON@TWINCITIESACADEMY.ORG.

**#SMILE #TCA #MEMORIES #TOGETHERNESS #SCHOOL #CLASSPRIDE #UNITY** 



## **Help us Spread the Word!**

TCA is still enrolling students in grades 6th and 9th for this school year. We have also opened enrollment for the next school year as well for all grades. Please contact Erin Reusing at ereusing@twincitiesacademy.org or visit our website for more information. Please share your experiences with your friends and neighbors.

www.twincitiesacademy.org

Sign up for Info Sessions and Shadow Days HERE

Please share <u>this</u> application link with any friends or family who is interested in TCA! Thank you.

#### BACHMAN'S WINTER GREEN FUNDRAISER

FOR THE FIRST TIME AT TCA, WE ARE CURRENTLY RUNNING OUR INDIVIDUAL BACHMANS'S WINTER GREEN FUNDRAISER FOR THE EF PARIS TRIP IN 2022.

VARIOUS QUALITY PRODUCTS ARE OFFERED TO ALL FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON INCLUDING POINSETTIAS, SPRUCE TOPS, PLANTERS, WREATHS AND OTHER HOLIDAY GREEN.

#### **HOW TO ORDER?**

- CHOOSE YOUR ITEM(S) FROM THE LIST BELOW
- EMAIL SMICHAUD@TWINCITIESACADEMY.ORG WITH YOUR SELECTION
- TURN IN PAYMENT BY CHECK (PAYABLE TO TCA) BY THE DEADLINE AT RECEPTION OR THE DROP-OFF BOX BY NOVEMBER 19.
- COME TO TCA TO PICK UP YOUR ORDER (ESTIMATED FOR DECEMBER 9 / WE WILL SEND EMAIL CONFIRMATION)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT WITH THIS FUNDRAISER!

#### **AVAILABLE ITEMS:**

ITEM A - 6.5" SINGLE POINSETTIA (CHOOSE RED, WHITE OR PINK) PRICE: \$13.00

ITEM B - 8" DOUBLE POINSETTIA (CHOOSE RED. WHITE OR PINK) PRICE: \$20.00

ITEM C - NOBLE DOOR GREETER PRICE: \$10.00

ITEM D - 10" NORFOLK ISLAND PINE PRICE: \$35.00

ITEM E - 24" BALSAM WREATH WITH BOW AND CONES PRICE: \$35.00

ITEM F - SPRUCE TOP BUNDLE (2-3' IN LENGTH / 10 TOPS ) PRICE: \$35.00

ITEM G - 24" PREMIUM DECORATED WREATH PRICE: \$60.00

ITEM H - 14" SPRUCE TOP PLANTER WITH MIXED GREENS AND DECORATIONS PRICE: \$60.00







White Poinsettia



Pink Poinsettia

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