



Dear TCS Families,

We know that there are many questions as we near the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year. Please find important updates, necessary permission slips for all grade-levels, and answers to frequently asked questions below:

School Materials Pick-Up

Friday, August 28th, TCS will conduct a drive-thru pick up of school materials. (*Items may include: books, textbooks, calculators, manipulatives, classroom/literature circle books, Spanish dictionaries, laptops and chargers.*)

Each class will have a table set up along the parking lot; we will hand you a bag with any items that your child will need to begin Distance Learning. We ask that you please come during your assigned time and that you not get out of your cars. It is important that we keep everyone moving through at a safe distance. It is also important that we get to give you a wave and a smile (even if it's beneath a mask). The schedule for Friday, August 28th is below.

Families with last names starting with:

A - B 1:00 - 1:15

C - E. 1:15 - 1:30

F - J 1:30 - 1:45

K - L 1:45 - 2:00

M - N 2:00 - 2:15

O - R 2:15 - 2:30

S - T 2:30 - 2:45

U - Z 2:45 - 3:00

What will the schedule look like in a Distance Learning scenario?

The Distance Learning schedule will mirror the on-campus schedule with the similar beginning and end times. Each day will consist of brief Zoom sessions throughout the day, periods of guided individual work, and opportunities for group or one-on-one support.

You can view sample schedules for Kindergarten, Elementary and NMY in both a Distance Learning and On-Campus scenario below. Please note, these schedules are only an approximation of what a day at TCS will look like. Schedules will vary based on grade (shorter blocks of time for younger students), student need, and daily activities.

(click on the thumbnail for an enlarged view of the schedules)

Kindergarten Sample Schedules

Sample Kindergarten Daily Schedule Full Distance Learning		
8:45-9:15	30 min. Zoom (full class)	Morning Meeting
9:25-10:15	10 min. Zoom - Stretch/Movement Break 20 min. Zoom - Full class lesson 30 min. Guided Independent Activities	Job Time
10:15-10:45	-	Recess
10:45-11:15	30 min. Zoom (half groups: 15 min., each)	Meeting/Story/Group Activity
11:15-11:45	30 min. Zoom (full class)	Science/PE/Art
11:45-12:30	-	Lunch
12:30-1:30	30 min. Zoom (small groups) 30 min. Guided Independent Activities	Job Time
1:30-1:45	15 min. Zoom (full class)	Closing Meeting
1:45-2:45	15 min. Zoom Check-ins	One-on-one Check-ins
* Job Time: This time can include literacy, math, writing, social/emotional activities, as well as emergent project work		
* These times will vary daily depending on class and specialty schedules		

Sample Kindergarten Daily Schedule On-Campus Learning		
		Zoom Schedule for Students Continuing Online
8:45-9:15	Morning Meeting	8:45-9:15 Zoom
9:15-10:15	*Job Time	9:15-9:30 Zoom 9:30-10:15 Optional Zoom
10:15-10:45	Recess	
10:45-11:15	Meeting/Story/Group Activity	10:45-11:15** Zoom
11:15-11:45	Science/PE/Art	11:15-11:45 Zoom
11:45-12:30	Lunch / Recess	
12:30-1:30	Rest and Read/Job Time	1:00-1:30** Zoom
1:30-2:30	Outdoor Learning- One-on-one Check-ins	15 min. check-ins for each child on Zoom
2:30-2:45	Closing Meeting	2:30-2:45 Zoom
* Job Time: This time can include literacy, math, writing, social/emotional activities, as well as emergent project work		
* These times will vary daily depending on class and specialty schedules		

Elementary Sample Schedules

Sample Elementary Daily Schedule Full Distance Learning		
8:30-8:45	Zoom	Morning Meeting
8:45-9:15 9:15-9:30	Zoom Independent Work	Math
9:30-10:15	Zoom Independent Work	Art/PE/Spanish/Technology
10:00-10:30	-	Recess
10:30-11:00 11:00-11:15	Zoom Independent Work	Writing
11:15-11:45	Zoom	Read Aloud
11:45-12:30	-	Lunch
12:30-1:00 1:00-1:30	Zoom Independent Work	Social Studies
2:00-2:30	Zoom	Open Studio or One-on-One Check-Ins
2:30-2:45	Zoom	Closing Meeting

Sample Elementary Daily Schedule On-Campus Learning		
		Zoom Schedule for Students Continuing Online
8:30-8:45	Morning Meeting	15 min. Zoom
8:45-9:15 9:15-9:30	Math	30 min. Zoom 15 min. Independent Work
9:30-10:15	Art/PE/Spanish/Technology	30 min. Zoom 15 min. Independent Work/Activity
10:00-10:30	Recess	-
10:30-11:00 11:00-11:15	Writing	30 min. Zoom 15 min. Independent Work
11:15-11:45	Spelling	15 min. Zoom 15 min. Independent Work
11:45-12:30	Lunch	-
12:30-1:00 1:00-1:15	Social Studies	30 min. Zoom 15 min. Independent Work
1:15-1:45 1:45-2:00	Reading	30 min. Zoom 15 min. Independent Work
2:00-2:30	Open Studio	Combination of Zoom/Independent Work
2:30-2:45	Closing Meeting	Zoom 15 min.

*One-on-ones by appointment

Middle School Sample Schedules

Sample Middle School Daily Schedule Full Distance Learning		
8:15-8:45	Zoom	CPR
8:45-9:15 9:15-9:45 9:45-10:15	Zoom Independent Work Zoom (Small Group Work)	Math/Science
10:15-10:30	-	Refresh
10:30-11:00	Zoom	Music/Art/Elective
11:00-12:00	-	Lunch
12:00-12:30 12:30-1:00 1:00-1:30	Zoom Zoom (Small Group Work) Zoom (Small Group Work)	Humanities
1:30-2:00	Zoom	Spanish
2:00-2:30	Zoom	PE
2:30-3:00	Zoom	Open Studio or One-on-One Check-Ins

Sample Middle School Daily Schedule On-Campus		
		Zoom Schedule for Students Continuing Online
8:00-8:45	CPR	30 min. Zoom 15 min. Independent Work
8:45-9:30	Math/Science	30 min. Zoom 15 min. Independent Work
9:30-9:45	Refresh	-
9:45-10:30	Math/Science	30 min. Zoom Group Work 15 min. Independent Work
10:30-11:15	Spanish	30 min. Zoom 15 min. Independent Work
11:15-12:00	Lunch	-
12:00-12:45	PE	30 min. Zoom 15 min. Independent Activity
12:45-2:15	Humanities	30 min. Zoom 30 min. Small Group Work on Zoom 30 min. Independent Work
2:15-3:00	Music/Art/Elective	30 min. Zoom 15 min. Independent Work

*One-on-ones by appointment

Devices

- Kindergarten:** During Distance Learning, Kindergarteners will only need access to a device to access Zoom and occasionally share copies of the work they're doing at home. As they will not be using any shared learning platforms or completing their work online, a device will not be provided by the school. Any device with Zoom capabilities is sufficient. If you don't have access to a device, please reach out to the school.

- **1st Grade and Up:** All students will be issued a laptop, as they will need access to various Distance Learning platforms and Zoom.

Permission Slips: Please Sign and Return!

Please complete and return the following permission slip(s) to Amelia, our Distance Learning Coordinator. If you have multiple students at TCS, a separate form is required for each student.

- **Google Suite (Required for All Students):** Every TCS student will be issued an G Suite account to gain access to the school's private Distance Learning Hub and to facilitate participation in Distance Learning. In order for your child to receive a G Suite account, please complete the **G Suite Permission Slip** and return it to Amelia at amccurdy@tcslj.org.
- **Device Agreement (Required for 1st-8th Grade):** Each student in 1st-8th grade will be issued a device. With your student, please review and sign the **Device Agreement** and return it to Amelia at amccurdy@tcslj.org.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Where can I access the class supply lists?

Class supply lists were sent out by email on July 10th. They can also be accessed by clicking on the following link: [2020-2021 Supply Lists](#)

- When will class lists be sent out?

Class lists and schedules will be sent out the week of August 17th.

- What kind of devices are preferable for my Kindergartener?

Many parents and students find that students have the easiest time concentrating on a laptop or computer because it doesn't have the same association with entertainment as a tablet or smartphone. However, any device with Zoom capabilities is sufficient for Kindergarten Distance Learning.
