

Hear from the Head

Autumn, commonly known as Fall, represents a season of the year that is characterized by the beautiful transition that takes place in trees. The leaves of the trees begin to change color and weaken their bond with the tree branch. This bond is weakened as the cold weather causes the tree to produce less hormone auxin. The process is called abscission, resulting in deciduous trees having no leaves throughout the cold months. As trees enter this dormant state throughout the winter months, they preserve their energy in preparation for the Spring to once again spring forth their beauty.

When the cold months arrive, the temptation is also for us to desire to preserve our energy in our homes and reduce our engagement. I encourage everyone who shares this sentiment to remember that connection with people is life-giving. At TIS, we will continue to provide opportunities to engage with each other and celebrate life throughout the cold winter months. As you make preparations, I encourage you to pay attention to the numerous events that will take place at TIS and to participate in them.

Curiosity

People have been given the quality of curiosity to drive them toward a deeper understanding of the world and to learn how its mysteries can point us toward truth.

TIANMUN

TIANMUN is underway, and the school building is buzzing with the extra activity this weekend. TIANMUN has been an excellent opportunity for TIS students to showcase their leadership in hosting this MUN event year after year. We are so proud of the work that has gone into the event and look forward to an ongoing successful weekend.

LifePlus Education Conference

As LifePlus continues to model leadership in education, it is important that we invest in our teachers' professional growth and development. LifePlus is committed to providing professional development through an annual conference to support student learning through teacher development. On November 23 and 24, we will have no school for students as the staff participates in training regarding Multi-Tiered Systems of Support and Mastery-Based Learning. These two research-based frameworks

support student academic, emotional, and behavioral development.

Fine Arts Celebration

Friday evening, November 17, I encourage you to join us for an evening of celebrating the talents of our students. This annual event is a beautiful way for students to showcase their dedication to developing various forms of artistry.

We continue to have a wonderful school year, and I look forward to seeing you around soon.

Ryan Witt

School Wide Announcements

Fine Arts Celebration

Friday, November 17, 7:00 pm. It will be a wonderful evening of student performances.

Mark your calendars - Upcoming Christmas Events

TIS Play - A Christmas Carol - TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Friday evening, December 1, and Saturday afternoon, December 2

¥30 advanced purchase; ¥45 at the door purchase

Secondary Christmas Concert

Friday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Bazaar - TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Saturday, December 9 at 10:00 a.m.

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ECC and Elementary Christmas Concert

Friday, December 15 at 7:00 p.m.

LifePlus Education Conference

On Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24, every staff member will be attending the annual LifePlus Education Conference. During these two days, there will be no school for students.

Divisional News

ECC & Elementary

There is a change to the Super Saturday Soccer Schedule. The last two Super Saturday Soccer's will be on November 11 and 25 instead of November 18 as there is an unforeseen scheduling conflict.

The last day of Elementary Clubs is coming on November 24. Please mark your calendars so that you can plan accordingly.

Secondary

Our 11th annual TIANMUN Conference is underway. Thank you to the students and teachers who are putting in so much work and to the visitors who have come to TIS.

Season 2 of sports starts Monday, November 13. High School boys' and girls' basketball will begin, and Middle School boys' and girls' volleyball will begin.

Guidance Counselor

SAT December 2 – Registration is now open for our December 2 SAT – register here: <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/registration>

AP Practice for Self-Study – <https://www.youtube.com/@advancedplacement>

Athletics

Season 2!

Monday, November 13 HS G9-12 Basketball starts from 15:30-16:50pm

Monday, November 13 MS G6-8 Volleyball starts from 15:30-16:50pm

Lunch Menu - November 13 - November 17

Monday: Chicken Burger. French Fries. Beef in Oyster Sauce. Blanched Chinese Greens. Rice.
Today's Noodles: Beef Noodle in Clear Soup.

Tuesday: Beef Stew. Fried Chicken Fillets. Bean Curds, Celery, & Pork. Stir-fried Eggplants. Rice.
Today's Noodles: Noodles with Sliced Beef.

Wednesday: Pizza. Fried Pork Chops. Korean-style Vegetables & Chicken Wings. Sautéed Broccoli. Rice.
Today's Noodles: Noodles with Soybean Paste.

Thursday: Roasted Meats and Vegetables in Creamy Sauce. Boiled Corn. Yuxiang Pork. Vegetables & Eggs. Rice.
Today's Noodles: Braised Beef Noodle.

Friday: Taco. Corn Chips. Chicken Legs & Rice. Sautéed Green Vegetables. Rice.
Today's Noodles: Wonton Noodle Soup.

What's Happening at TIS

November 9–11: TIANMUN

November 27: Science Fair

November 29: Principals' Coffee

TIS HS Basketball v Wellington

November 30: TIS MS Volleyball v Wellington

December 1-2: Fall Play

December 4: TIS HS Basketball v IST

December 7: TIS MS Volleyball v IST

December 8: Secondary Christmas Concert

December 9: Christmas Bazaar

ISAC HS Basketball Tournament

ISAC MS Volleyball Tournament

December 15: ECC & Elementary Christmas Concert

December 20-22: Secondary Final Exams

December 22: End of Semester 1

Beginning of Christmas Break