

Dear TCA Family and Friends,

The TCA Board of Directors would like to share some highlights from our March 11, 2019 Board Meeting:

Celebrate TCA

This month, we celebrated our Poetry Out Loud program. Poetry Out Loud encourages junior high and high school students to learn about great poetry through memorization and recitation. At our meeting, three students recited their poems. It was wonderful to see these students demonstrate their public speaking skills while building their confidence.

Legislative Update

Brad Miller, TCA's Legal Counsel, reemphasized the comprehensive human sexuality bill, HB19-1032 currently being brought before the Colorado Legislature. He reiterated that because TCA does not offer sexual education today, this bill **will not** affect TCA's curriculum -- or its approach to defer to our parents for the sex education of their children.

New Dugouts

Dr. Sojourner shared that the baseball/softball dugouts are currently under construction at the North Campus. Weather permitting, we anticipate completion within the next several weeks, with significant labor and funding provided by our baseball/softball parent community. Special thanks to TCA community member Matt Moore for his leadership in this effort.

Curriculum Update

The High School and College Pathways science curriculum review recommendations were presented and discussed. New textbooks for AP Biology and Intro to Environmental Science are being suggested, as are updated versions of our current textbooks for General Chemistry and Earth Science. The new recommended textbooks will be available for the TCA community to review from now until March 22, 2019 in both the High School and College Pathways offices.

Lastly, Dr. Sojourner shared highlights from his recent "State of the School" presentation to our teachers. Included was this reminder from our Core Values document, "The foremost measure of our success now and in the future is how well we live up to the words of (our Core Values) -- and to a lesser extent by test scores, number of students enrolled, number of students on our wait list, and other outside measures of success."

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Board about any important topics you would like to discuss at talk2tcaboard@gmail.com.

Thank you,

Rich Bennett
Board Secretary

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