

Dear TCA Family and Friends,

TCA's Board of Directors would like to share some highlights from our November 14th Board meeting:

Celebrate TCA

We celebrated the College Pathways (CP) "Soup"er Talent show held last month. At the event, families and students brought soups to taste and share while being entertained by talented CP students. Proceeds went to support the community soup kitchen. At our board meeting, one of our CP students, Katy Usevitch, showcased her incredible instrumental skills by playing her violin, and it was a delight to hear of such talent and generosity.

Presidential Search Committee

The Board voted to appoint a Presidential Search Committee, which will include two board members (James Fradette and Kelli Hawkins) and two Cabinet-level administrators (Marta Schulz and Wes Jolly). The committee will begin meeting as soon as possible to establish a process for hiring a new TCA President, with the full board involved in various upcoming process steps, including interviews of recommended candidate finalists. Our goal is to have a search and selection plan put together in December and a job posting advertised in early January, with interviews in the Spring and a position offer near the end of the academic year.

Accreditation, Assessment, and Achievement

Wes Jolly, Director of Academic Services, gave the annual TCA Report on Accreditation, Assessment, and Achievement. Mr. Jolly reported that in the 39 areas assessed, TCA exceeded ASD20's scores in 33 areas and finished 1st or 2nd in 28 of the assessed areas. TCA received the highest rating for accreditation, and our achievement measures continue to be excellent. In addition, our 3rd-7th grade CMAS math scores were higher than pre-pandemic levels, which is a testament to our new Dimensions math curriculum implemented in 2020. Mr. Jolly shared that, "... we continue to be proud of our many accomplishments, while simultaneously recognizing those areas of increased focus."

Digital Health Committee

Board members Scott Palmer and Sonya Wittleder updated the Board on efforts of the Digital Health Committee. The committee reminded the Board that even with Dr. Sojourner's pending retirement at the end of the year, this important conversation will continue, and the committee continues to anticipate making a recommendation to the full board toward the end of this academic year regarding student access to electronic devices during the school day. Regarding community feedback collection, our three Campus Forums are now complete, and we will begin concentrating on holding School Focus Groups with representative staff and parents. There will also be a Digital Health question included on the upcoming Parent Survey and Employee Climate Survey. The Committee continues to encourage community comments via the anonymous digital feedback form [here](#), and we encourage your continued participation as we explore this critical topic.

As always, if you have any questions or comments, please email the board at talk2tcaboard@gmail.com

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving,

Sonya Wittleder
Board Secretary

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