



Turlock Christian School

Preparing students for college and life in the vital areas of faith, virtue and knowledge.

In the Know

July 31, 2020

Our Values

Excellence

We strive to do our best always and to realize fully, our God-given potential.

Partnership

We serve in partnership with students, their families, churches and others who share our values.

Impact

We are committed to living unselfishly, making life-changing differences in others, our community, country and world.

Character

We seek to be and to produce people whose lives are marked by love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

The K – 12th grade School Year will start September 8, 2020 and end June 10, 2021.

- Normal, anticipated vacation times have been preserved, though sometimes shortened.
- In spite of scheduling less days, the 2020-21 calendar still exceeds, as in past years, the state requirements for classroom instruction. TC school days are longer than public and many other private schools.
- A School Year 2020-21 calendar is attached.
- Preschool is already phasing in its return to “normal” while abiding by the Health and Education departments’ licensing and guidelines.

We will return to campus and classroom.

- We are praying for and planning to return to campus and classroom on September 8th.
- Since we value protecting student, faculty and staff health, we respect and take into consideration the County Health Department Guidelines.
- If, in September, the County Health Department, for health reasons, still urges distance learning, we are prepared to start the school year with distance learning.
 - By delaying the start of school until September 8th, we increase the likelihood of starting on campus with the Health Department’s support.
 - COVID cases in the county, though still high, seem to have peaked and the future looks encouraging.
- We continue to look into options, such as tents to provide for added social distancing capacity, that could help open on-campus September 8.
- If delaying the start of in person classes is delayed beyond September 8th, we will return to campus and classroom immediately upon a change in health conditions and recommendations.

We are prepared for a short season of distance learning if needed.

- While from an educational perspective, no one would prefer distance learning, no school did distance learning better than Turlock Christian. We were able to move immediately to distance learning that, unlike public schools, included tracking attendance, teacher-produced videos, interaction between teachers and students, testing and grading.

We will offer an Independent Study/Homeschool option for families who are not comfortable having their children return to campus and classrooms.

- We have added Robi Tate to our staff as Coordinator of Independent Study.
- The program and tuition cost will be announced soon.

We continue to upgrade our Health and Safety protocols in anticipation of our return to in-person learning.

- We continue the development of Health and Safety Plans for each campus. The Preschool plan has been operative since its re-opening and is proving effective. The plans for both Elementary and Jr-Sr High campuses address personal hygiene, reasonable social distancing, sanitizing, disinfecting, temperature checks and sensible mask wearing protocols.

Please feel free to log on to this link to ask questions, comment or make suggestions. We will respond to the most frequently asked questions on Monday or Tuesday.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TCS-July31>

God bless you and your family,



Dr. William Hoyt, Head of School

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