

Faith. Family. Future. Partnering to Lead.

Dear TC Family,

At TC, we rely on an entire family of caring, loving, Christian people to nurture our most precious gifts, our children. We have teachers, administrators, coaches, and so many others who pour into their lives every day.

But as much as these influences matter, research shows that 70–90% of a child's character development comes from schooling, culture, and peers. That remaining 10–30%? It comes from what they see modeled at home.

We can teach our children to be kind - but do they see us show kindness?

We can tell them to act like Christ - but do they see Him in us?

When challenges arise, do we wait for someone else to act, or do we step forward in faith ourselves?

It's not enough to tell our children what's right; we must show them. The question, "If not you, then who?" still rings true.

If we truly aspire to **live faith, build family, and secure a future** for our children and for TC, then we cannot simply watch; we must act. Our children will grow into the kind of people we model before them. Let's show them what it means to be faithful branches, connected to the true Vine.

"I am the vine; you are the branches.

If you remain in Me and I in you, you will bear much fruit;

apart from Me you can do nothing."

John 15:5

Jesus doesn't ask us to produce fruit on our own. He calls us to *remain* - to stay connected to Him through every season. A branch cut off from the tree can't bear fruit; it withers. But a branch that stays connected, even through adversity, will flourish.

As parents, our calling is to remain in Christ and model the fruit of His Spirit: *love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.* Our

children learn far more from what we live than from what we say.

And let's remember, if we aren't intentional about shaping our children's hearts, the world will try to do it for us. Culture is speaking to them constantly through screens, songs, and silence. That's why this isn't the time to strive to be the "cool parent"; it's the time to be the *committed* one.

At TC, we see ourselves as your partners in this calling. Teachers, coaches, and staff can plant seeds of truth and faith in your children, but what you model at home waters those seeds and helps them grow. Together, we build the habits of heart and spirit that help our children stand strong in a world that often pulls them in the opposite direction.

We don't hand our children over to culture and call it freedom. We lead them with truth, with grace, and with love.

Structure isn't control, and boundaries aren't punishment—they're *preparation*. Our children may not always understand the "why" behind our choices, but when the home and the school work together, they see consistency, an alignment that points them back to Christ.

We're not raising children for approval; we're raising them for *eternity*.

And if we aren't intentionally pointing their hearts toward Jesus, the world's influences will gladly step in.

So, let's pray for God's protection while also parenting, and teaching, in ways that honor Him. Together, as parents and educators, we have the sacred privilege of showing our children what it looks like to walk in truth, love, and grace.

At TC, we are more than a school; we are a family rooted in faith. Here, children see the power of Christ in action, experience the love of a community that cares, and are prepared for a future built on strong values and character. When parents and teachers work side by side, modeling what it means to remain in Christ, we create an environment where children don't just learn, they grow into the people God created them to be.

Let's rise to the calling together: to live **faith**, nurture **family**, and secure a **future** where our children bear the fruit of His Spirit. *If not us, then who?*

With Gratitude and Faith,

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