

2023-2024 Cottage School Program

Weekly News--Week of November 6

When you're good to others, you're best to yourself.

~ Benjamin Franklin

Do you have impactful stories, specific people, or certain books you turn to when seeking guidance while navigating challenging seasons of life? Maybe a coach from your days in high school whose game planning strategies were also a plan for growing you as an individual? Or maybe a well-worn book with nuggets of insight that seem to resonate with you at just the right time? Or maybe an uncle or grandmother who have a keen ability to tap into their own rich experiences in life and connect with you? What wisdom have you found on the pages and in the words of these sources you return to time and time again?

The Benjamin Franklin quote above was written in 1748 and included in *Poor Richard's Almanack*; his words apply just as much today as they did nearly 300 years ago. There are undoubtedly certain truths and universal virtues that transcend generations and societies across the globe, many of which you can find in [TCA's Core Values](#). We must continue to pass these time-tested moral principles on, not because we are required to do so, but because we must.

In Partnership,

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Announcements

NEW and STILL IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

1. TCA SUBSTITUTES NEEDED!

Types of jobs available: Teacher, Tutor, Office/Kiosk/Health Room, Test Proctoring
Requirements--

- TEACHER: Bachelor's degree in any subject **or** HS Diploma + CDE Substitute Teacher Authorization
- PARAPROFESSIONAL: High School Diploma or GED
- Office/Kiosk/Health Room/: High School Diploma/GED and additional training in the specific area
- Proctoring: Bachelor's degree in any subject and additional training in the specific area

To apply, please visit TCA's employment site at [here](#) and submit an application for Substitute.

2. November Lunch Menu can be found [here](#).

3. Our next SAC (School Accountability Committee) meeting will be on Tuesday, November 14, 10 - 11 AM in the TCA East Conference Room (childcare not provided). Meetings are held each quarter throughout the year with the purpose of discussing budget priorities, safety, the school improvement plan, and other items pertaining to the operation of both CSP and CP. Anyone is welcome to attend.

4. TCA Band Greenery Sale - Choose from trees, wreaths, and poinsettias. You can purchase greenery and butter braids online now until November 15th.

- Greenery Link: <https://www.payschoolsevents.com/events/details/28380>
- Butter Braid Link: <https://store.myfundraisingplace.com/2c9d2794-195f-45cb-a20d-16e735a6d87c>

5. TCA High School Theatre Department presents the Anastasia Musical. Shows are November 9th, 10th, and 11th at 7:00 pm and November 12th at 3:00 pm and November 16th, 17th, and 18th at 7:00 pm. Tickets for Adults are \$12, Children and Students are \$6, Staff and Senior Citizens are \$8 and Titan Club Members no cost. Purchase your tickets online at: <https://www.payschoolsevents.com/events/details/28379>

6. THANKSGIVING BREAK is November 20 - 24. There is no school this week.

7. WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

As TCA continues to support the Wreaths Across America Program, there are several ways you can participate. TCA Families can donate a wreath to be placed at Pikes Peak National Cemetery (deadline Nov. 28th) or volunteer for the wreath laying ceremony on Saturday, December 16th @ 9:00am. Please click wreathsasscrossamerica.org/co0024 for more information.

8. Coming Soon to TCA Cottage School...A fundraiser with heART (flyer below)! We are partnering with SilverGraphics to celebrate creativity and raise needed funds for our school! Your child has been working hard on an art project at school. We're opening a private **Online Art Shop** for you to view your child's art and order personalized products such as journals, magnets, ceramic mugs, canvas totes, and ornaments. You'll be able to upload additional art and favorite photos from home too! Art keepsakes make great mementos and unique gifts for family and friends! Watch for Order Catalogs coming soon...

9. TCA Athletic Game Safety – All Elementary and Junior High students who attend TCA athletic events must sit with an adult during the event for supervision purposes. Unfortunately, we have noticed types of behavior that could lead to injury or students getting in trouble. We desire to promote a safe atmosphere for all spectators; thus, no personal sporting or toy ball of any kind will be allowed into events. We thank you for your partnership in this endeavor.

10. Looking for ways to bless our staff? Food is always welcome! We have a "Sunshine Cabinet" in the Staff Lounge that we like to keep stocked with snacks and goodies for staff members to enjoy

throughout the week. If ever you want to contribute a treat to the cabinet (whether store bought or homemade, savory or sweet), items can be dropped off in the CSP/CP office.

SNOW DAY AND 2-HOUR DELAY POLICY

Winter weather will undoubtedly impact the school week at some point in the coming months, so I wanted to send out CSP's snow day and 2-hour delay policy. As a reminder, TCA follows D20's delay and closure status.

SNOW DAYS

CSP will follow Academy School District 20 closure status. When ASD20 administration cancels school due to inclement weather, several radio/TV stations will be contacted to broadcast the closure or delay. TCA uses the Blackboard Connect™ service to notify the TCA community in the event of a delay or closure COTTAGE SCHOOL PROGRAM DOES NOT MAKE UP SNOW DAYS.

2-HOUR DELAYS

Periodically throughout the winter, school will be delayed two hours due to inclement weather. Students may wear blue denim on these days. Hot lunch will still be available on delay days, or students may bring a sack lunch. All students should bring a snack and water bottle. Carpool as usual.

2-Hour Delay Schedule:

Grades 1-6: 10:15 - 3:30 pm

Kindergarten: AM class—10:15 - 12:30 pm

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Typing Pal Log-In Instructions (Grades 3-6 Only)

Typing Pal is a learn-to-type program that we offer at no charge to all of our upper elementary students. There is no requirement to participate; it's simply something families may use as part of their home school curricula if students desire to learn/master basic typing skills. Log-in instructions are below.

1. Go to <https://clascott.typingpal.com>
2. Each student's **user name** is the first letter of his/her first name (as given in Infinite Campus; not a nickname) followed by the student's last name (i.e. shille would be the username for Stefani Hille).
3. The **password** is identical for each student—*titans*—UNLESS a student was with us previously and changed his/her account to a unique password. Once students are logged in, they may change their password to something unique to them.
4. Questions or trouble logging in? Contact Stef Hille at shille@asd20.org.



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