

Dear TCA Family and Friends,

TCA's Board of Directors would like to share some highlights from the March 11, 2024, Board Meeting:

### **Celebrate TCA**

This month we will celebrate Pi Day, on March 14th. At our Board meeting on Monday Night, East Elementary fifth grade students shared a few interesting facts about Pi Day. "Did you know Pi is so unique that the number sequence 1,2,3,4,5,6, doesn't appear in the first million digits of Pi and that Pi, 3.14 backwards, looks like the word PIE...the kind you eat?" Look for our students wearing their annual Pi Day shirts and perhaps indulging in some *Pie*.

### **Board Appointment and Elections**

The Board Member Appointment Committee recommended, and the Board approved, Mr. Ben Brightwell to the appointed board seat. Ben will start serving a three-year term in August 2024 after Director Scott Palmer's term ends. Mr. Brightwell has two children attending TCA. He is a licensed attorney and has served on a prior school board. We look forward to his partnership, experience, and expertise. As a reminder, online voting for the remaining two open Board seats is in progress and will close on March 29, 2024.

### **Curriculum Update**

The Elementary literature recommendations presented to the Board in February were approved. The Secondary literature recommendations were presented to and discussed with the Board along with College Pathways new math curriculum. Over the past year, our secondary English and math teachers, administrators, and parents have evaluated TCA's literature and College Pathways math curriculum respectively. The few books, short stories, and poems that are up for consideration will be available for parent evaluation from March 15th – April 3rd. Books that will be used exclusively at traditional secondary will be available in the North High School office, and books that will be used exclusively at College Pathways will be available in the College Pathways office. We look forward to your input during this review/evaluation period. The Board approval vote is scheduled for the next regular meeting on April 8th.

### **Legislative Update**

Brad Miller, TCA's Legal Counsel, gave an update on House Bill 24-1363, a bill that if passed as it is currently written, challenges public charter schools' core functions and principles. TCA is aware of this bill and while we have been informed that it is unlikely to pass as it stands, we are continuing to keep an eye on how it could impact us if it

progresses. The bill is currently being scheduled for the first committee hearing. [The Colorado League of Charter Schools](#) and [Education Alliance of Colorado](#) are two organizations that have more information on their websites regarding this bill.

As always, if you have any questions, please contact us at [talk2tcaboard@gmail.com](mailto:talk2tcaboard@gmail.com).

Thank you,

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Board Secretary

### **TCA Board of Directors**

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