





Tiger Times



Good afternoon, and Happy FriYay!

How incredibly honored we are to have been announced as a *National Blue Ribbon School*. As I mentioned earlier this week in the announcement to our school community, the collective work of former and current administrators, teachers, paraeducators, support staff, students, and families is to be commended! Let's keep up the great work as a community of learners and continue to set the example for other elementary schools throughout our nation.

Today brings to conclusion the first official "full week" of school for the year. With holidays and Ida's rainy wrath, we are just now completing five days in a row. What more, it's hard to believe that next week arrives the month of October!

I called in a few favors for a beautifully autumnal day / evening, so if you are available to join us for our *Tinicum Family Picnic* this evening at 5 PM, that would be great! It's a super casual gathering so our students can enjoy a picnic dinner with their families and play on the playground with their friends. We will have some of our new Tinicum spirit gear available for purchase, as well as order forms to place orders. (Order forms will also be sent home in next week's *Friday Folder*.)

Enjoy the beautiful weekend!

NOTES FOR FAMILIES

- 1. We hope to see everyone on Friday evening for our *Tinicum Family Back-to-School Picnic!* A representative from our new clothing apparel / spirit wear will be here with some items to cash/card and carry, as well as with order forms!
- 2. Attention families with fourth or fifth grade students. Click <u>HERE</u> for exciting news from Mr. Morris regarding **elementary band** recruitment.
- 3. Picture Day is on **Tuesday**. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information!
- 4. Check out this art class reminder from Mrs. McNichol.
- 5. Primary students (K 2) may keep their Chromebooks in the classrooms for the remainder of the first marking period. Beginning on Monday, November 8, the beginning of the second marking period, students will be required to transport their Chromebooks to and from school, as teachers will begin to provide short activities so that students can practice using their devices from home, both as practice for when

- they are older and used more frequently, and for the chance if/when schools are closed due to any reason and we are required to go virtual. As a reminder, schoolwork must be completed on district-issued Chromebooks, as we have safety nets included to support our students in the cyber world.
- 6. We do use cones to help the flow of traffic in the morning for parent drop-off, so please stay in line until the car in front of you departs. This is for our students' safety. With your help, our dismissal has been great and so if you are departing before the car in front of you, please exit with caution. As a reminder, if you are not an everyday car rider and need to pick up your child(ren) at the end of the day, please send an email to tinicumpickup@palisadessd.org no later than 3 PM. Please include the name of the student(s) (first and last), as well as the name of the person picking him/her up (first and last). Our staff will ask for a photo ID to verify. Thank you!
- 7. Visitors and volunteers are permitted back in our buildings this year! If you are interested in volunteering, please let us know. You will need clearances to be up-to-date. You can check with Mrs. Doerr regarding your clearances. If you don't have them, but need to get them, please use this link.
- 8. If you are running late in the morning and are dropping off your child(ren) after 9 AM, please know that you are **required to come into the school office to sign in your child with Mrs. Doerr**. The same applies when picking students up from school early.
- 9. As a reminder, if you are requesting approval for a family vacation / educational trip, please email Mrs. Doerr at least two weeks before your anticipated travel.
- 10. In accordance with our Health and Safety Plan, the communications process for reported positive COVID 19 cases will be as follows for the 21-22 school year:
 - We are notifying the families of those students who share class(es), participate in an extracurricular activity or ride a school bus with a student who tests positive for COVID 19.
 - Close contacts, if any, will be notified by the school nurse or administrator.

A PEEK INTO NEXT WEEK

Monday, September 27	Day 5	
Tuesday, September 28	Day 6	PICTURE DAY!
Wednesday, September 29	Day 1	
Thursday, September 30	Day 2	
Friday, October 1	Day 3	School Store

Specials Rotation at Tinicum:

Days 1 and 2 - Art or Music

Days 3 and 4 - Library or Spanish

Days 5 and 6 - Health or Physical Education

SAVE THE DATE(S)!

September 28	Picture Day!
October 1	School Store for students (Thanks, PTA!)
October 4	Tinicum PTA Meeting at 6:00 PM

My best,

Dr. Michael W. Donnelly