

Board Briefs

Dear TIS Families,

At this time of year, we take time to focus on what we are thankful for. We are grateful for the opportunity to be a part of this wonderful community. The Independent School is a special place, not only focused on providing an outstanding education, but providing enriching experiences as well. On a daily basis, we see the “value” of a TIS education through the performance of our students, your children.

We are thankful for:

- **Our Foundation:** Strong and sturdy, based on Mrs. Garvey’s vision and the three “pillars” of the school- Academics, Athletics, and Arts.
- **Our Students:** JK-12 who are so well spoken and serve as ambassadors for our school, both on and off campus.
- **Our Faculty:** Dedicated to teaching an enriching, high quality curriculum, going beyond expectations, while developing relationships with students so that they can reach their individual potential.
- **Our Programs:** Whether Fine Arts, Athletics or Academic, TIS programs and activities allow students to become involved and to thrive in areas they are passionate about, while developing skills, memories and friendships for a lifetime.
- **Our Families:** For supporting, engaging, and encouraging our students and their friends, for welcoming new families, and creating a community we can all be proud to be a part of.
- **Our Generosity:** The amount of support for student-driven, community service activities, and parent-driven fund raising programs, speaks to a commitment to philanthropy and is laudable.

As TIS enters its fourth decade, we are thankful for our future as a strong, successful independent school. The Independent School has always been proud to offer an excellent, cost-effective education. As you consider year-end giving plans, please know that TIS will benefit from any contribution you would like to make. Your financial support is very important to maintain and add to the quality TIS education and experience and every gift is appreciated!

Sincerely,

Dr. Mary Dickerson, Head of School

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