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Middle School News October 02, 2022,

Ms. Ooy (Secretary) 02-751-1201 ext. 361
Mr. Richard Poulin (Building 5, 3rd Floor)

Dear TCIS Middle School Families,

We want our children to grow up independent, but we also don't want them to fail. There is a balance to offering independence and support. Young adults are wanting to have their independence and their privacy as much as possible. It is important to respect this stage of their lives, but we also need to protect them. Parents should remind their children that they are there for them, if and when they need them. This allows their young adults the opportunity to seek help, if and when they need it.

If parents know the subject matter very well that their young adults are studying, these young adults may or may not ask for help at different times. It is again important to respect their desire to have independence and privacy. However, monitoring what they are doing online, the games they are playing, and the media they have access to are crucial in the digital age.

If you are having trouble finding this balance, please reach out to a teacher or the Middle School Office. We can help provide specific tips on how best to accomplish this.

School Pictures



Next week 3-6 Oct students will take school photos. Please be sure to remind students to wear their white school uniforms. If they have PE, they can bring their PE uniform and change before class.

NJHS



National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) provides an outstanding opportunity to grow with academically accomplished peers who are sharpening the habits needed for success in high school and beyond. Please visit the counselor or Middle School Office to apply for students interested in learning more or applying. NJHS offers your child a chance to enhance their academic portfolio.

NWEA MAP Results



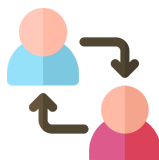
All students completed the MAP test. Teachers will use the data to design lessons and to support each child. We will share the results with students so they can set goals. Parents will also receive a report and explanation of the data during Parent Teacher Conference.

PSAT Test Preparation



Grade 8 created a College Board account to help prepare for Practice SAT exams in November. Students can use [Khan Academy SAT Preparation](#). It is an official preparation tool by College Board. Thousand of practice exercises are available, and they are tailored to the needs of each student.

Peer Tutoring



Our Peer Tutoring program has already started. However, you can still sign-up. If you would like a peer tutor, students should visit our counselors or contact the MS Office to have their names added to a list. This will help us pair students together. Peer Tutoring will be Tuesday-Thursday from 3:20-4:00 PM in the Library.

Scholarships



FASCA, [Formosa Association of School Cultural Ambassadors](#) visited our school on Friday. TCIS will be the first Asian chapter and we completed our inaugural training. The session had representatives from our school's leadership team, the Taiwan MOE, the Taiwanese press, and others. TCIS has developed a relationship with the Taiwanese FASCA organization, which will give our students the opportunity to apply for FASCA scholarships at Taiwanese universities, free cultural trips, and more. It is a unique opportunity for TCIS students and we look forward to students taking advantage of it.

Subject teachers will be sending newsletters, so please be sure to look for them. Teachers will share the learning that happened this month, and what is planned for next month. We will have our Double Ten Day celebrations next Friday, October 7th before the start of our week-long October Holiday Break.

Kind Regards,

Mr. Richard Poulin

richard.poulin@tcis.ac.th

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Next Week's Schedule - Week 6

3 Day 2	4 Day 1	5 Day 2	6 Day 1	7 Day 2
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Pictures From Week 5

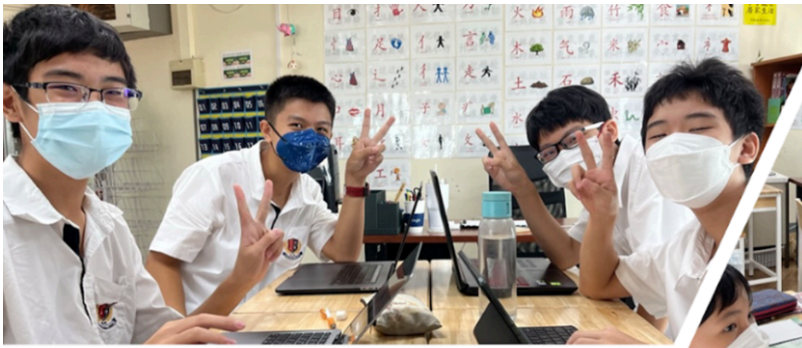




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Calendar

Created Nov 2, 2021												
Aug '22	1	2	3	4	5	12	Mother's Day - School Closed					
	8	9	10	11	12	15-19	New Teacher Orientation					
	15	16	17	18	19	22-26	All Staff Orientation/ 26 Double day for teachers					
	22	23	24	25	26	22-24	Registration days/ All grades					
	29	30	31			29	Academic Year Begins					
Sep '22				1	2	9	Parent's Night / Open Classrooms 4-6 p.m. (Double day for teachers)					
	5	6	7	8	9							
	12	13	14	15	16							
	19	20	21	22	23	22	Wai Kru Ceremony					
	26	27	28	29	30	27-28	Chinese test					
Oct '22	3	4	5	6	7	7	Double Ten Day Ceremony					
	10	11	12	13	14	10-14	October Break - School Closed					
	17	18	19	20	21	13	King Rama9 Memorial Day - School Closed					
	24	25	26	27	28	24	Chulalongkorn Day 23 - Substitute 24					
	31						Halloween					
Nov '22		1	2	3	4	4	End of Quarter 1					
	7	8	9	10	11	7	Quarter 2 begins					
	14	15	16	17	18	8	Loy Krathong Celebration					
	21	22	23	24	25	11	Parent / Teacher Conference (No student)					
	28	29	30			30	Chinese Writing competition					
Dec '22				1	2	2	Father's Day Ceremony					
	5	6	7	8	9	5	Father's Day 5 - School Closed					
	12	13	14	15	16	20	Half Day Student Dismissal 11:30					
	19	20	21	22	23	21	Christmas Break - School Closed					
	26	27	28	29	30							
Jan '23	2	3	4	5	6	5	First Day Back from Christmas Break					
	9	10	11	12	13							
	16	17	18	19	20	20	CNY Celebration					
	23	24	25	26	27	23-27	CNY Break					
	30	31										
Feb '23			1	2	3	3	End of Quarter 2 and Semester 1					
	6	7	8	9	10	6	Quarter 3 and Semester 2 Begins					
	13	14	15	16	17							
	20	21	22	23	24	20-24	Thai Knowledge Bowl					
	27	28										
Mar '23			1	2	3	6	Makha Bucha Day - School Closed					
	6	7	8	9	10	11	Professional Development Saturday					
	13	14	15	16	17	14	Chinese test					
	20	21	22	23	24	16	5-8 Speech Competition					
	27	28	29	30	31	17	9-12 Speech Competition					
April '23	3	4	5	6	7	5	Songkran Celebration - End of Quarter 3					
	10	11	12	13	14	6	Chakri Day 6 - School Closed					
	17	18	19	20	21	7-14	Songkran Holiday School Closed					
	24	25	26	27	28	17	Quarter 4 Begins					
May '23	1	2	3	4	5							
	8	9	10	11	12	4	Coronation Day - School Closed					
	15	16	17	18	19							
	22	23	24	25	26	22-26	Chinese Speaking competition					
	29	30	31									
June '23				1	2	3	Queen's Birthday 3					
	5	6	7	8	9	3	Visakha Bucha Day 3-Substitute5- School Closed					
	12	13	14	15	16	16	High School Graduation					
	19	20	21	22	23	22	End of the Year/Student Dismissal at 11:30 am					
	26	27	28	29	30	26	Summer School					
July '23	3	4	5	6	7							
	10	11	12	13	14	28	King's Birthday 28					
	17	18	19	20	21							
	24	25	26	27	28							



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Holiday School/Office closure
Work Day/PO Day (teachers but no students)
Half Days for students
Conference Day (no students)
Summer School
Total Student Instruction Days 180
Q1 - 44 days
Q2 - 47 days
Q3 - 42 days
Q4 - 47 days

Time Schedule

Grades 5-6 Timetable			Grades 7-12 Timetable	
07:30 - 08:15	Period 1	Block 1 A/E	07:30 - 08:15	Period 1
08:15 - 09:00	Period 2		08:15 - 09:00	Period 2
09:00 - 09:30	Snack Break		09:00 - 09:30	Snack Break
09:30 - 10:15	Period 3	Block 2 B/F	09:30 - 10:15	Period 3
10:15 - 11:00	Period 4		10:15 - 11:00	Period 4
11:00 - 11:10	Passing Break		11:00 - 11:10	Passing Break
11:10 - 11:40	Period 5	Block 3 C/G	11:10 - 11:55	Period 5
11:40 - 12:30	Lunch Grade 1-6		11:55 - 12:40	Period 6
12:30 - 1:30	Period 6		12:40 - 1:30	Lunch Grade 7-12
1:30 - 1:40	Passing Break		1:30 - 1:40	Passing Break
1:40 - 2:25	Period 7	Block 4 D/H	1:40 - 2:25	Period 7
2:25 - 3:10	Period 8		2:25 - 3:10	Period 8

Important Dates

- **October 3-6** - School Photo Day: Students must be well groomed and wear the proper white uniform.
- **October 7** - Double Ten Day
- **October 10-14** - October Break

Safety First at TCIS



An ID Card is Required to Enter The Campus

Scan Your Parent ID Card to Enter

IDs must be worn and visible at all times when on campus

Keeping Your Child Safe at TCIS

Student Computers

The Faculty and Administration believe technology is a powerful and integral part of the TCIS instructional program. While there are many good computers on the market, please understand that PC/Windows-based computers are not supported for academics at TCIS.

1) TCIS Secondary School is a MacBook/iPad one-to-one school

MacBooks or iPads are required for all grades 7 through 12 students

2) TCIS Chromebook Rental for Grades 5-6

- a) School-owned Chromebooks are rented daily for grades 5 & 6 students if needed.
- b) Grade 5-6 students can opt out of the school-owned Chromebooks if they have their own MacBook or iPad.
- c) Students in Grades 5-6 must use Apple iPad or Macbook if they are using a personal device
- d) Students will be using Google Classroom and various websites for school work. We do recommend a laptop but an Apple iPad is fine to use. iPads have some limitations.

TCIS Approved Devices - 2022-2023 School Year

- Grade 7-12 MacBooks or iPads (student-owned)
- Grade 5-6 - Chromebooks (school-owned) **or** MacBooks / iPads (student-owned)
- PC/Windows-based computers are not supported for academics at TCIS.

You are encouraged to visit the following sites for more information:

- Apple MacBook Computers - <https://www.apple.com/th-edu/shop>

Hair Color Requirement

It is a requirement that students at the TCIS maintain their natural hair color. Other colors (including highlights, shading, etc.) are not acceptable. While students enjoy trying new things in Secondary School, hair color is not one of those things that we allow students to experiment with.

Section 5.4-2 (page 29) of the Student-Parent Handbook (Uniform and Appearance) regarding hair color:

Hairstyles, if considered inappropriate for students in a school setting, will not be allowed.

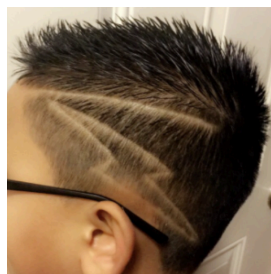
Hair, even if colored, should be of natural hair color or hue.

Hair Styles Not Permitted at TCIS for Students from PK2 to Grade 12

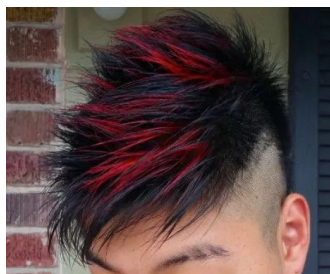
Images such as lightning bolts are not shaved into a student's hair (example: Image 1).

Hair must be kept as the student's natural color. Dyed, highlighted, bleached, or colored hair is not permitted at TCIS (examples: Images 2 & 3).

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Food Delivery

To maintain student and teacher safety, the campus is closed to food deliveries (for everyone). Plan to bring everything with you in the morning. Parents/visitors who wish to enter campus are asked to schedule an appointment through the registrar.

- Masks must be worn at all times, including in the classroom.
- Students' temperature is checked upon entrance.
- Late students must check in with the Registrar to receive an "Admit to Class" slip. The registrar is located in the main lobby of the middle school.
- Students must use hand sanitizer before entering school and before entering each classroom.
- Students must sanitize any shared classroom materials/supplies after each use.
- Students sanitize their desks before leaving every class, with the provided supplies.
- Students must remain socially distant at all times.
- No more than 4 students in the restroom at any given time.
- Students may take their backpacks into their classroom to avoid groups at the lockers.
- Students may wear a face shield as well as a mask but not instead of a mask.
- Lunch (Students' temperature is checked upon entrance to the canteen before lunch).

Visiting the Campus

Parents/visitors who wish to visit campus are asked to schedule an appointment through the registrar or with Ms. Ooy. They will follow up on your request. The appointments must be confirmed via email before parents enter the campus.

Please book an appointment with Ms. Ooy to meet with the Head of Middle School at least 24 hours in advance. Meeting hours are 11:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Ms. Ooy: pongvilai@tcis.ac.th

Registrar Office: registrar@tcis.ac.th

Reporting Student Absences and Tardies

Send an email to: registrar@tcis.ac.th OR Call the Registrar's Attendance line at: **751-1201**

**Please notify the registrar as soon as possible of your child's absence or tardiness from school.
A parent or guardian must email the Registrar within one day following the absence.**

Excused Absences

For an Absence to be Excused, a parent must email/call in the absence within 24 hours. The reason for the absence must be supported by the factors outlined in the attendance policy:

- Illness with medical documentation
- observation or celebration of a religious holiday
- recovery from an accident with medical documentation
- required court attendance with court notice
- death in the family
- other absences that may be deemed acceptable by the Head of Schools or Designee

Unexcused Absences

If a parent does not email/call in the absence, the student is marked as absent without excuse.

Birthday Cupcake Procedures



At TCIS, we understand that children and parents wish to celebrate birthdays with classmates. It is a big day! While we do allow children to bring in cupcakes to share with classmates, we do have procedures in place that need to be followed.

Please note, no soda, no full birthday cakes, or candles are allowed, as it takes too much time for us to cut and distribute cake to students and to clean up. Of course, candles are dangerous and present a serious fire risk.

These steps need to be followed:

- The cupcakes must come to school with the student when he/she arrives at school.
Deliveries are not allowed under any circumstances.
- The cupcake will be given to Ms. Ooy or Mr. Richard in the morning and kept in their office
- Do not provide any knives to your child to cut the cupcakes.
- Cupcakes will be distributed only at lunchtime by the student
- No loss of class instructional time will be allowed due to the celebration

No Food Deliveries Allowed

No food deliveries are allowed to TCIS at any time during the school day.

If a student forgot his/her lunch, do not worry, we will make sure to take care of them on that day. However, please do make sure your child has money on his/her card to use in the canteen.



How to Use Plus Portal



PlusPortals for Parents Website

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URL: plusportals.com/tcis
Login with Email & Password

A screenshot of the PlusPortals login page for TCIS. At the top center is the TCIS International School logo. Below the logo is a photograph of a group of smiling children in school uniforms. To the right of the photo is a 'Login' section with two input fields: 'User Name' and 'Password'. A large red arrow points to the 'User Name' field. Below these fields are checkboxes for 'Remember Me' and a link for 'Can't access your account?'. A blue 'Sign in' button is at the bottom of the login section. Below the login section is a 'School Resources' section with the text 'No School Resources have been posted.' and a partially visible sentence 'Since its establishment in 1995, the Thai-'.

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Login

User Name

Password

☒ Remember Me

[Can't access your account?](#)

Sign in

School Resources

No School Resources have been posted.

Since its establishment in 1995, the Thai-

You will see your entire family on this screen. Student currently being viewed is to the left. Other student(s) are to the right.

The screenshot shows the TCIS International School parent portal. At the top is the school's crest. Below it, a navigation bar includes a 'Home' link and a user profile for 'Pannaporn Kaewmark'. The main content area displays two student profiles side-by-side. The left profile is for 'Pannaporn Kaewmark' and is highlighted with a red arrow and the label 'Student being viewed'. The right profile is for 'Pannaporn Kaewmark' and is highlighted with a red arrow and the label 'Other student(s) in family'. Below the student profiles, there are tabs for 'Overview', 'Classroom', and 'School'. The 'Overview' tab is active, showing a 'Progress' section for 'Quarter 2' and a 'Recent Scores' table.

Subject	Average	Grade
Advisory 12 (2) 950404		

Description	Date	Score
Korean I - Activity : Interview numbers	10-16-2019	20.00 / 20.00

You will see your entire family on this screen. Student currently being viewed is to the left. Other student(s) are to the right.

This is a duplicate of the screenshot above, showing the same TCIS International School parent portal interface. It features the school crest, navigation bar, and two student profiles. The left profile is labeled 'Student being viewed' and the right profile is labeled 'Other student(s) in family' with red arrows pointing to them. The 'Overview' tab is active, displaying progress and scores for 'Pannaporn Kaewmark'.

Subject	Average	Grade
Advisory 12 (2) 950404		

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Korean I - Activity : Interview numbers	10-16-2019	20.00 / 20.00

Below, you'll see a list of the student's courses, recent scores, and attendance. Please note that you can change the Quarter you're viewing.

The screenshot shows a student profile for Pannaporn Kaewmark. The page has three main tabs: Overview, Classroom, and School. The Overview tab is active, showing a list of current classes, recent scores, and attendance totals. Red arrows point to specific elements: 'Quarter being viewed' points to the 'Progress: Quarter 2' dropdown; 'Current classes' points to the list of subjects; 'Recent scores (grades)' points to the 'Recent Scores' table; and 'Attendance' points to the 'Attendance Totals' section.

Subject	Average	Grade
Advisory I2 (J1) 996404		
Audio Prod (E) 911501		
Chinese 4 (F) 703601		
English 12 (H) 306102		
Glo Issues (C12) 412001		
Homeroom		

Description	Date	Score
Korean I - Activity - Interview numbers		
Korean I - workbook p.44-45		
Int. Robot - building educator model		
Audio Prod - Attendance, Participation, and As...	10-04-2019	12.00 / 12.00
Chinese 4 - L 54 and L 57	10-03-2019	98.00 / 100.00
Chinese 4 - L 50 dialogue	10-03-2019	95.00 / 100.00

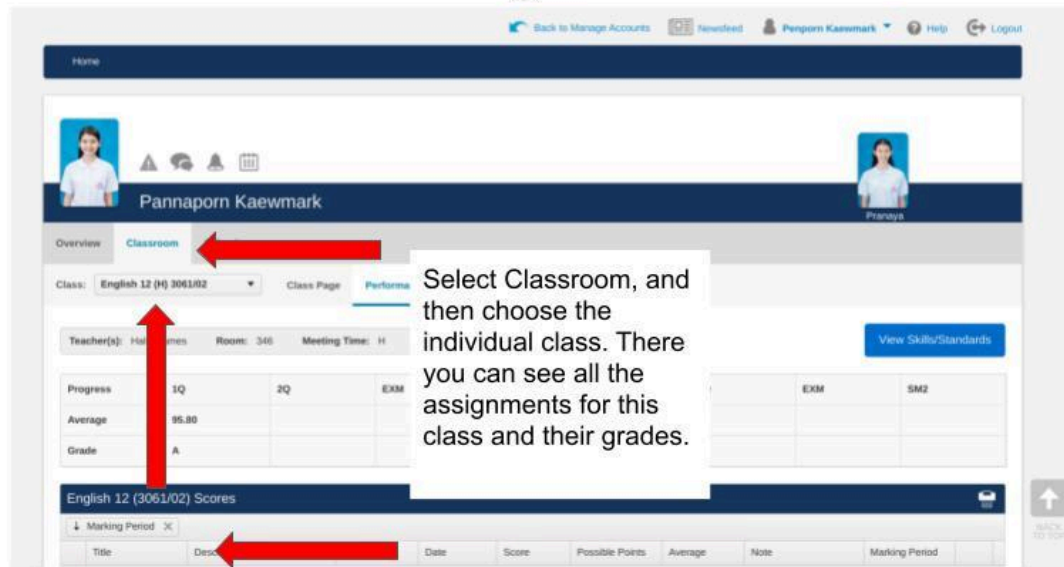
ABSENCE

Clicking on "School" you can view the student's class schedule, their most recent report card, and their attendance details.

The screenshot shows the 'School' tab selected, displaying a class schedule. Red arrows point to the 'School' tab and the 'Schedule' sub-tab. The schedule is a grid showing classes for each day of the week (Mon-Fri) and time slots (07:30-08:10, 08:10-08:50, 09:25-10:05, 10:05-10:45). The 'Print Preview' button is visible in the top right corner.

Time	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
07:30 - 08:10	Int. Robot Room: 243 Le Conte, Shaun	Int. Robot Room: 243 Le Conte, Shaun	Int. Robot Room: 243 Le Conte, Shaun	Int. Robot Room: 243 Le Conte, Shaun	Int. Robot Room: 243 Le Conte, Shaun
08:10 - 08:50	Thai12 Room: 354 Sukasem, Charitnun	Thai12 Room: 354 Sukasem, Charitnun	Thai12 Room: 354 Sukasem, Charitnun	Thai12 Room: 354 Sukasem, Charitnun	Thai12 Room: 354 Sukasem, Charitnun
09:25 - 10:05	Glo Issues Room: 352 De Gaetano, Joseph	Glo Issues Room: 352 De Gaetano, Joseph			
10:05 - 10:45	JapaneseIII Room: 322 Newman, Anna	JapaneseIII Room: 322 Newman, Anna	JapaneseIII Room: 322 Newman, Anna	JapaneseIII Room: 322 Newman, Anna	JapaneseIII Room: 322 Newman, Anna

Choose the class and see all assignments
and grades



Home

Back to Manage Accounts | Newsfeed | Pannaporn Kaewmark | Help | Logout

Pannaporn Kaewmark

Overview | **Classroom**

Class: English 12 (H) 3061/02 | Class Page | Perform

Teacher(s): H. Jones | Room: 340 | Meeting Time: H

Progress: 1Q | 2Q | EXM

Average: 95.80

Grade: A

View Skills/Standards

English 12 (3061/02) Scores

Marking Period X

Title	Description	Date	Score	Possible Points	Average	Note	Marking Period
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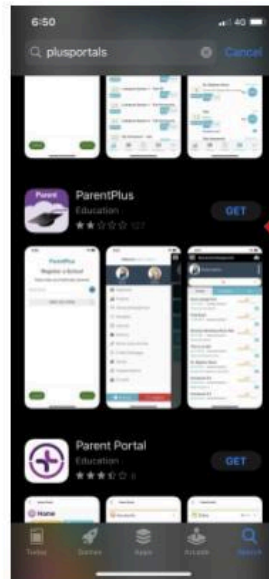
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PlusPortals for Parents Phone Application

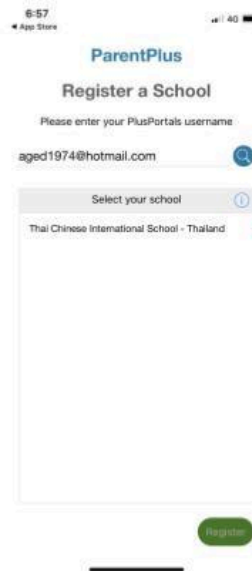
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Find Application in the App Store



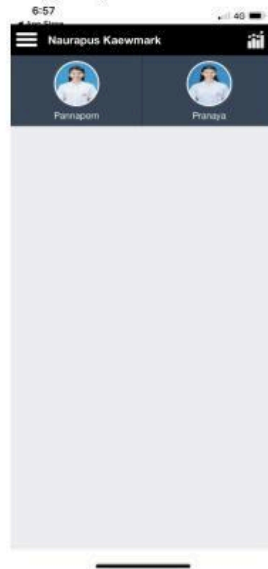
Please note that there are 2 different applications: StudentPlus for students, and ParentPlus for parents

Once you have downloaded the app, you'll need to register

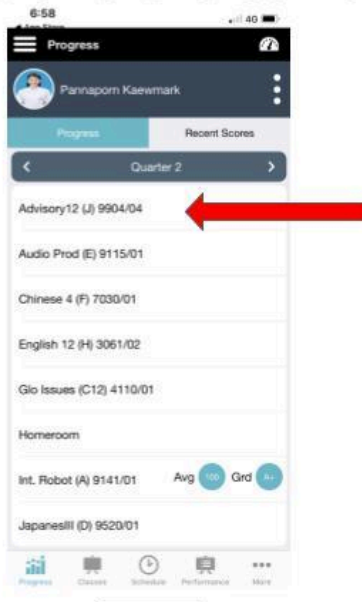


Enter the email address you gave the school, and it'll direct you to TCIS. If TCIS does not associate with your email address, the school has a different email address on record for you.

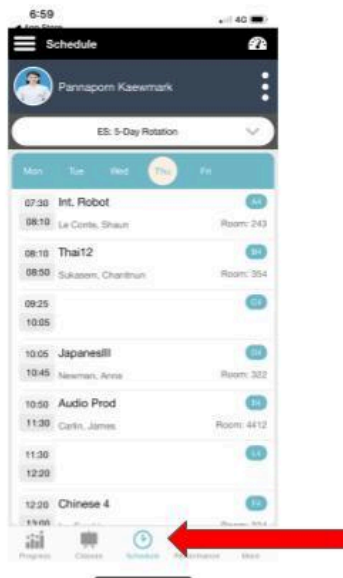
Once you enter your password, your student(s) will appear.



When you select your student, you'll see their list of classes and the current quarter



If you click “Schedule” (bottom of screen) you’ll see the student’s daily schedule



Choosing “Progress” will show you recent assignments

