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THAI-CHINESE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and the TCIS Community,

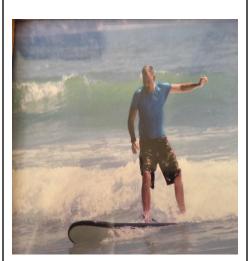
My name is Mr. Kevin and I am happy to be here at the Thai Chinese International School. I am looking forward to leading the High School and supporting the students in achieving their goals for a successful future. Just to let you know a little bit about myself, I am originally from Laguna Beach, California but have an extensive amount of international experience, as I have worked in international schools for over 25 years. I have been an educational leader in top schools around the world including in Japan, Vietnam, Thailand and of course the United States. I have a Bachelor's in History, a Master's in Education and a Post-Master's in Educational Leadership. Besides my passion for education, I enjoy spending time with my family, going to the beach and playing sports. I am excited about this school year and look forward to being part of the TCIS community.



My wife Pam and my son Christopher



Softball Champion



Beach Activities

Hello! สวัสดี ค่ะ. 大家好。My name is Ms. Jasmine Orellana, and I am excited to serve this year in the position of Curriculum Coordinator! This is my third year at TCIS. Before joining TCIS, I spent time teaching in China and Indiana, USA.



Jasmine M. Orellana "Ms. Jasmine"



11 years experience

MA Marian University

Teaching

BA Indiana Wesleyan University

Spanish; Intercultural Studies

State of Indiana Teacher certification (English Gr. 5-12; Spanish Gr. 5-12)



American Curriculum and Trilingual Education since 1995



This year, I will be working closely with the Heads of Department and teachers at all grade levels to review and improve our curriculum in preparation to become an IB-authorized school offering the Diploma Programme for students in grades 11 and 12. TCIS continues in its commitment to offer world-class education following an American curriculum, and we look forward to adding additional opportunities for our high school students to study challenging courses and receive internationally recognized credentials.

Throughout the year, I look forward to sharing with you about the steps the curriculum department is taking to better serve our students. From adding courses in our middle and high school course catalog to providing updated materials for practice and performance in our elementary classrooms, the curriculum department is working hard to serve all TCIS students.



News from the High School Counselor

Hello Parents!

Welcome back to another year at TCIS! I hope you all enjoyed a restful summer with your families. For my first message of the year, I want to highlight some of the upcoming university fairs and college visits we will be hosting at TCIS. With some of the COVID restrictions being eased, we are happy to be hosting universities on campus once again. Below are some dates and times of our upcoming fairs and university visits. In addition to these fairs, I will be hosting several universities in my Senior Seminar class throughout the year. Any student who is interested in hearing from these universities is welcome to attend with permission from their teacher to miss class time. My class meets on Day 1, D Block.

- September 12, 8-10AM: KIC UnivAssist Fair (US colleges)
- September 14, 2:30-3:10: Les Roches and Glion Institute of

Higher Education (Switzerland & UK)

- September 23, 1-1:45PM: AEO Tour (US colleges)
- September 29, 2-3PM: Mahidol University International College
- September 30, 8-9:30AM (NOVVA virtual fair, US colleges)

I will provide a full list of which universities will be in attendance at these fairs when that information becomes available to me. I will also continue to notify all of you about any new upcoming fairs and university visits that are not already on this list. Many will be on campus at TCIS, and some will be online or in other parts of Bangkok.

College visits are an important way for students to connect directly with universities. The representatives that come to these fairs are oftentimes the very same people reading the applications and making the acceptance decisions. Students are encouraged to come to the fairs with questions they want answered and to come with an open mind. Some of these universities may not be known to you or your child just yet, but that certainly does not mean these are schools not worth listening to. Students can learn a tremendous amount even from schools that are not on their college list!

As always, if you or your child have any questions about these college fairs, or anything college application related, please don't hesitate to contact me anytime. My door is always open. Have a great year!

Regards, Jeff Chelin School Counselor jeffrey.chelin@tcis.ac.th

Music at TCIS



The Association for Music in International Schools (AMIS) sponsors many music events for students in international schools around the world. In the AMIS High School Honor Band and the AMIS High School Honor Choir, top music students from the world's best international schools combine in one large wind band or choir and make music together. It is also a great chance to make friends with excellent international students from other top international schools, many of whom we will see again at sport tournaments, MUN conferences, and university entrance events. Look for more information about AMIS coming your way in September. The auditions are competitive, so it is time to get started practicing!

Upcoming Events

- August 31- Freshmen Orientation coordinated by the Student Council (Students only)
- **September 09** Parent Night
- September 09-10 Bangkok International Band Festival at ISB Grades 8-12
- September 12 8:00-10:00 AM: KIC UnivAssist Fair (US colleges)
- **September 20** Coffee Morning
- **September 22** Wai Kru Ceremony
- September 28 Open House

How to Use Plus Portal for Parents



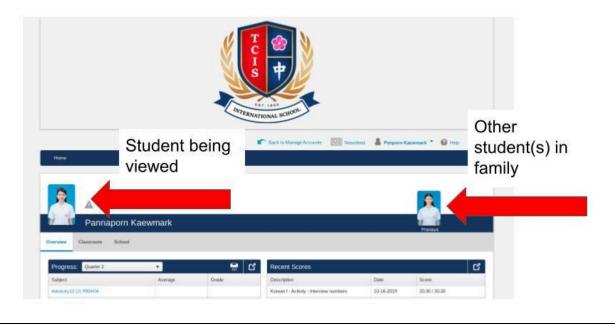
PlusPortals for Parents Website

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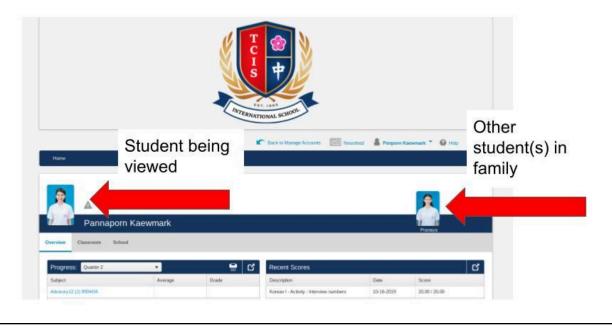
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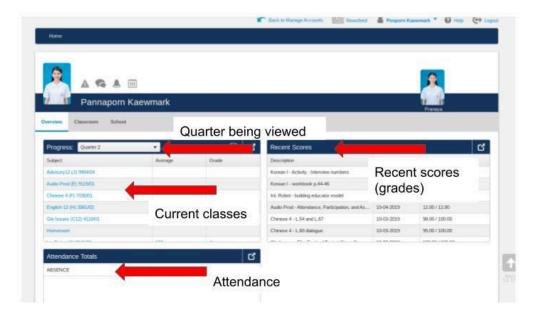
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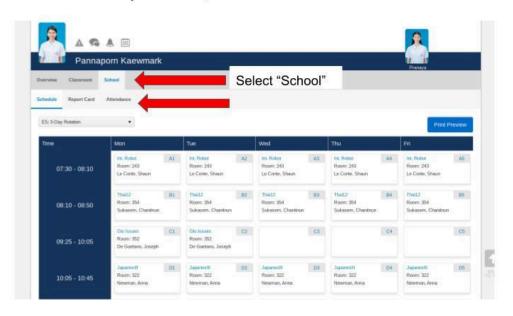
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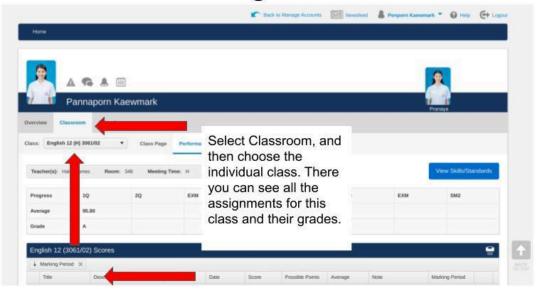
Below, you'll see a list of the student's courses, recent scores, and attendance. Please note that you can change the Quarter you're viewing.



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



Choose the class and see all assignments and grades

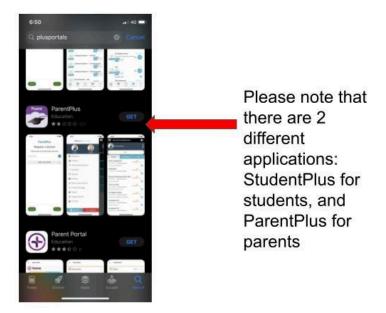




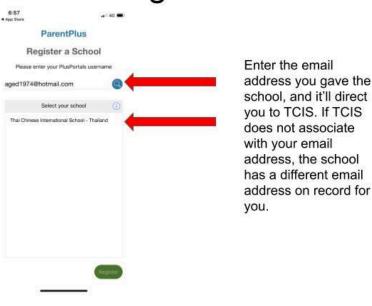
PlusPortals for Parents Phone Application

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Find Application in the App Store



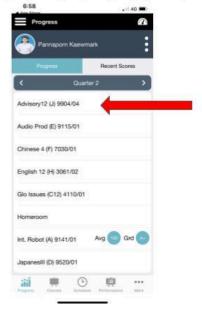
Once you have downloaded the app, you'll need to register



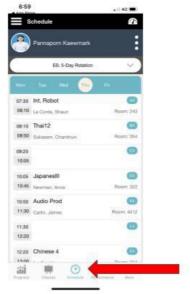
Once you enter your password, your student(s) will appear.



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



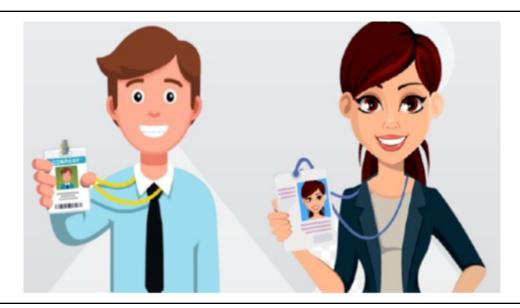
Choosing "Progress" will show you recent assignments





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

Safety First! Teachers' Orientation included First Aid Training and CPR.

CPR and First Aid Training

Teachers completed and received the CPR and First Aid Training Certification. This allows our TCIS Staff to feel empowered to provide care during an emergency to all ages in our community. These certifications are essential so we can best keep everyone safe.















WASH YOUR HANDS

Wash them often with soap for at least 20 seconds



COUGHING ETIQUETTE

Cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze with tissue or the inside of your elbow



WEAR MASK

Make sure your mask fits well with the nose clip



AVOID HUMAN CONTACT

Keep a distance of 1 meter away from others







Computer Policy for 2021-22

Student Computers - 2022 - 2022

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 <u>PC/Windows based computers are not supported for academics at TCIS.</u>

TCIS Secondary School is a MacBook/IPad one-to-one school - MacBooks or IPads are required for all grade 9 through 12 students.

*Please have your child bring their Mac computers to all classes. **PCs are not allowed.**



2022-2023 Calendar March 22 Approved

	Crea	ated	No	12,	202	1		
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.	
	5	6	7	8	9	7	(Double day for teachers)	
	12	13	14	15	16			C S N
	19	20	21	22	23	22	Wai Kru Ceremony	NA I I
	26	27	28	29	30	27-28	Chinese test	一
Oct'22	3	4	5	6	7	7	Double Ten Day Ceremony	
	10		12		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 - Substitue 24	EST. 1995
	31						Halloween	INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
Nov '22		1	2	3	4	4	End of Quarter 1	AGVATIONAL SCIP
	7	8	9	10	11	7	Quarter 2 begins	
	14	15	16	17	18	8	Loy Krathong Celebration	Thai-Chinese International School
	21	22	23	24	25	11	Parent / Teacher Conference (No student)	101/177 Moo 7, Soi Mooban Bangpleenives Prasertsin Road Bangplee Yai, Bangplee
	28	29	30			30	Chinese Writing competition	Samutprakarn 10540, Thailand
Dec '22				1	2	2	Father's Day Ceremony	(662) 751-1201 telephone
	5	6	7	8	9	5	Father's Day 5 - School Closed	(662) 751-1201 telephone (662) 751-1210 fax
	12	13	14	15	16	20	Half Day Student Dismissal 11:30	55. No.
	19	20	21	22	23	21	Christmas Break - School Closed	https://www.tcis.ac.th/
	26:	.27	28	29				* subject to Thai Govt
Jan'23	2	3	4	5	6	5	First Day Back from Christmas Break	
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	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	
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	13	14	15	16	17			
	20	21	22	23	24	20-24	Thai Knowledge Bowl	
	27	28						
Mar '23	Г		1	2	3	6	Makha Bucha Day - School Closed	
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	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	ō	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	Holiday School/Office closure
	15	16	17	18	19			Work Day/PD Day (teachers but no students)
	22	23	24	25	26	22-26	Chinese Speaking competition	Half Days for students
	29	30	31					Conference Day (no students)
June '23				1	2	3	Queen's Birthday 3	Summer School
20110 20	5	6	7	8	9	3	Visakha Bucha Day 3-Subsitute5- School Closed	Sanding School
	12	13	14	15	16	16	High School Graduation	Total Student Instruction Days 180
	19	20	21	22	23	22	End of the Year/Student Dismissal at 11:30 am	Total State III III decion Days 100
	26	27	28	29	30	26	Summer School	
July '23	3	4	5	6	7		700.000 ES 700 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	Q1 - 44 days
July 23	10	11	12	13	14	28	King's Birthday 28	Q2 - 47days
	17	18	19	20	21		Tong son than 20	Q3 - 42 days
	24	25	26	27	20			Q4 - 47 days

Time Schedule

FEACHING TIMETABLE

Grade	es 5-6		Grades 7-12	
7:30-8:15	Period 1	Block A,E	7:30-8:15	Period 1
8:15-9:00	Period 2	Block A,E	8:15-9:00	Period 2
9:00 - 9:25	Break		9:00 - 9:25	Break
9:30-10:15	Period 3	Block B,F	9:30-10:15	Period 3
10:15-11:00	Period 4	Block B,F	10:15-11:00	Period 4
11:10 - 11:40	Period 5	Block C,G	11:10 - 11:50	Period 5
11:40-12:30	Lunch 1-6		11:50-12:40	Period 6
12:30-1:30	Period 6	Block C,G	12:40-1:30	Lunch 7-12
1:40-2:25	Period 7	Block D,H	1:40-2:25	Period 7
2:25-3:10	Period 8	Block D,H	2:25-3:10	Period 8

Hair Color Requirement at the TCIS

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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Parents/visitors who wish to enter campus are asked to schedule an appointment through the registrar.

- Masks must be worn at all times, including the classroom.
- Students' temperature is checked upon entrance.
- Late students must check in <u>with the Registrar</u> to receive an "Admit to Class" slip. The registrar is located in the main lobby of the admin building.
- 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 from 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 for each block to avoid groups at the lockers.
- MS Students have a 20 minute transition period between classes.
- Students may wear a face shield <u>as well as a mask</u> but not instead of a mask.
- Lunch (Students' temperature is checked upon entrance to the canteen before lunch.





Visiting the Campus - Who to Contact

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

Ms. Note	note@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: 02-751-1201

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 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.

High School Teachers 2022 - 2023



THAI-CHINESE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

101/177 Moo 7 Soi Mooban Bangpleenives, Prasertsin Road, Bangplee Yai, Samutprakarn 10540 Thailand



Teacher contact information

The best method of communication with teachers is through email.

	English and Soc	ial Studies De _l	partment	
Ms. Jasmine	jasmine@tcis.ac.th	Head of English and Social Studies Curriculum Coordinator	College Prep English, AP Seminar	High School Room 342 High School Office - First Floor
Mr. Sean	sean.allen@tcis.ac.th	English	AP Language, AP Research, Found Liter Com, Global Literature	High School Room 351
Mr. Vic	victor@tcis.ac.th	English	Survey British Literature, Speech Competition, Drama I	High School Room 323

Mr. Jay	jay.weinman@tcis.ac.th	English	Advance Foundations of Literature Comp, Journalism, Film Lab	High School Room 223
Mr. Tim	tim@tcis.ac.th	Social Studies	Philosophy, Politics, and Ethics, AP Macro Economics, Economics, Advance Business	High School Room 353
Mr. Andrew	andrew.brenzel@tcis.ac.th	Social Studies	AP Human Geography, Modern World History, Social Studies Grade7 and 8	High School Room 352

Mr. Jonathan	jonathan.marc@tcis.ac.th	Social Studies	American Literature Comprehensive	Middle School Room 552
Ms. Juanita	juanita@tcis.ac.th	English Language Learner (ELL) Coordinator		Middle School Room 524
Ms. Linda	linda.hong@tcis.ac.th	English Language Learner (ELL)	ELL Science ELL 1 & 2	Middle School Room 522

	Math	Department		
Mr. Shaun	shaun@tcis.ac.th	Head of Math		Middle School Room 540
Khun Shaun	shaun.leconte@tcis.ac.th	Math High School Student Council Sponsor	AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Statistic, Computer Coding	High School Room 345
Mr. Matt C	matthew.cannon@tcis.ac.th	Math	Geometry, Algebra 2, Pre Algebra,	High School Room 344
Mr. Matt B	matthew.balaban@tcis.ac.th	Math	Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Calculus, Math Application	High School Room 346

Science Department							
Mr. Severino	severino@tcis.ac.th	Head of Science	AP Physics, Physics, Pre-Calculus, AP Physics 2	High School Room 233			
Mr. John	john.castilleja@tcis.ac.th	Science	AP Chemistry, Chemistry, Environmental Science	High School Room 333			
Ms. Brittany	brittany@tcis.ac.th	Science	Anatomy, AP Biology, Health Science, Biology	High School Room 334			

	Fine Ar	ts Department		
Ms. Elizabeth	elizabeth@tcis.ac.th	Art	Art 1, Intro Painting, Advance Art, Digital Art	High School Room 331
Ms. Shanesz	shanesz@tcis.ac.th	High School Robotic Technology	Intro to Robotic	High School Room 243
Mr. Scott	scott@tcis.ac.th	Drama Spanish	Spanish I, Spanish II	Middle School Room 523

Mr. Cary	cary@tcis.ac.th	Band	Pop Ensemble, Wind Ensemble, Digital Music, Production	Music Room
Dr. Lichou	lichou@tcis.ac.th	Music	String Ensemble, Chorus	Music Room

	Chinese Department						
Mr. Tony	tony@tcis.ac.th	Head of Chinese	High School Office - First Floor				

Ms. Jane	tsenghsiu-hua@tcis.ac.th	Grade 9, 10, 11, and 12	AP Chinese 9, Chinese Mother Tongues 9 & 10, Chinese Literature 10, 11 & 12	High School Room 324
Ms. Jamie	jamie.peng@tcis.ac.th	Grade 9 and 10	Chinese Foreign Tongues 9 & 10	High School Room 325
Ms. Yuhan	yuhan@tcis.ac.th	Grade 9, 10, 11 and 12	Chinese 1& 2, Chinese 3 & 4, Chinese Foreign Tongues 11 & 12, AP Chinese 12, Travel Chinese	High School Room 321

Thai Department				
Kru Rung	rung@tcis.ac.th	Thai Director Head of Thai		HIgh School Office - First Floor
Kru Buab	chanitnun@tcis.ac.th	Grade 9, 11, and 12	Thai 9 Thai 11 Thai 12	Middle School Room 534
Kru Ben	onuma@tcis.ac.th	Grade 9, 10, 11, and 12	Thai I Thai II Thai III Thai IV Thai 10	Middle School Room 533

Athletic Department				
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Mr. Jim	jim.curtis@tcis.ac.th	PE	PE 1 & 2 Personal Fitness	High School Room 323

High School Administration				
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Mr. Jeff	jeffrey.chelin@tcis.ac.th	High School Counselor	High School Office Senior Seminar Independent Study	High School Office - First Floor
Dr. Norris	norris.smith@tcis.ac.th	High School Counselor	AP Psychology Psychology	High School Office - First Floor
Dr. Miho	miho.katsumata@tcis.ac.th	High School Counselor	Japanese 1	Middle School Room 252 Elementary Office - First Floor

Ms. Note note@tcis.ac.th	Secretary of High School	High School Office - First Floor
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Thank you for choosing TCIS