# TIS RECORD

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### At TIS,

we believe experiential learning allows our students to understand the theory in the classroom to practise across the real world, where personal experiences and reflections add real meaning and a sense of purpose to each student, while making the world a better place.

#### Medical Exeats

- Requests for routine appointments must be received by COB on the Monday prior to the Saturday appointment. Late requests will be held over.
- Students are transported to the appointment venue by TIS and accompanied by a TIS staff member to minimise general public interactions and to avoid COVID testing, etc.

# Thought for the Week

It's better to be alone than to spend time with toxic people. It's better to do nothing than to work on something that doesn't matter. It's better to rest than to climb the wrong mountain.

James Clear



# **Happy New Year**

A very special Happy New Year to all members of the TIS Family.

I trust everyone has enjoyed the festive season with family and friends, while observing all COVID protocols and remaining healthy.

May all your dreams come true in 2022!

#### Return to School Protocols: Semester 2

- Monday, **10 January**, Primary School Campus students commence classes.
- Sunday, 9 **January**, secondary students return to hostels by 4.00pm. Please allow for delays as entry is restricted due to



"My definition of integrity is a set of beliefs, values, and actions that others can depend on."

-Steve Bollar

#### **SAT & ACT**

- Best advice: students who are required to complete SAT and/ or ACT requirements should do so by the end of Grade 11. Leave it until G12 and you have created a personal timemanagement monster.
- Please follow instructions and details provided in the weekly Counsellors' Corner section of the TIS Bulletin.

## **Visiting Protocols**

For visits during second semester, parents will be required to book their visit online. Please go to: <a href="https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/9w76c">https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/9w76c</a>

Complete your details and click *next* to select your day and time. Then click next to receive a confirmation of your booking.

If you do not receive confirmation of the date and time, then you have not completed your booking.

Weekend times will usually go from 1.30 - 4.30pm on Saturdays and Sundays. On public holidays, visits will be allowed between 11.00am and 4.30pm (with no visits scheduled between 12.30 - 1.30pm.)

Book early to avoid disappointment.

Thank you for your cooperation.

social distancing restrictions. (Please don't aim to arrive at 4.00pm as you will be late.)

Secondary students will require a negative COVID-test (PCR) result (within 48 hours of return) to enter the campus.

Parents must advise us if their son/daughter will not be returning to the hostels on 9 January by 7 January, as these students will be required to quarantine before entering the hostels. In these cases, parents will be advised when the student may return due to quarantine space restrictions.

Students' account status must not be in arrears. School fees should be finalised by 6 January. Please send Mr Quansah a copy of any payment advice. Thank you.

To gain access to the campus, parents must show security their 'chit' to prove their account's status is excellent. 'Chits' will be emailed to parents from 7 January. A negative PCR COVID test result must also be produced.

Students must have sufficient personal supplies (face masks, sanitiser, sanitising wipes and antiseptic.)

Parents and students should keep in mind that due to COVID there will be no exeats approved unless due to extenuating circumstances and only with the approval of the General Manager.



#### **Admissions 2022-2023**

The first round was completed for the secondary school in November 2021.

The second (and likely final) round of admissions will be concluded by mid-February 2022.

Applicants will be advised in mid-January about online testing requirements and deadlines. Interviews will be conducted from 12 February and offers made soon after.

Please note that there are restricted places available at each school campus. Priority is now based on the date of the application. We anticipate that there will be no secondary vacancies for next year after 1 March 2022.

Admission applications for the Primary School Campus will be processed from 1 April, 2022.

#### **Medical Exeat Process**

TIS will transport and chaperone students who require a specialist medical appointment (doctor, dentist/orthodontist, optometrist) on Saturdays, or earlier if it is an emergency situation. There is a fixed number of appointments that can be met each Saturday. Appointments must be between the 8.00 -10.30am time frame.

Parents should advise, as soon as it is known, when a specialist appointment is required. In many cases, this is known months ahead. Appointments for a Saturday must be advised by the Monday prior to an appointment, otherwise the appointment will be deferred one week. A minimum of 5 day's notice is always required, unless an emergency.

Appointments must be made to the convenience of TIS. To do so, please email the Principal with a Medical Exeat Enquiry (header) which includes details of the type of appointment (medical check-up, orthodontist, eye test, etc.), the service provider and address, and the scheduled or preferred date and time of appointment (if unknown).

#### **COVID Protocols**

Omicron is certainly a very 'social' COVID variant with an extremely high infection rate, even if you are fully vaccinated. Being extremely contagious, it remains as important as ever to closely observe all COVID protocols, especially correct masking, sanitising and social distancing to minimise any impact within the school community.

It is everyone's responsibility to ensure each of us remains healthy.

We are looking forward to the safe return of our students for the start of a successful second semester.

I appreciate your support.

Stay healthy.

Dr Ken Darvall

Principal

## RETURN TO SCHOOL PROTOCOLS

Dear Parents,

All students must produce a valid\* negative COVID test result to enter the campus (\* 24 hours prior to return).

TIS has also made arrangements with,

Sonotech Medical and Diagnostic Centre

Branches: Osu - 0206161908 (close to Danquah Circle) and Tema community 9 - 0303319796 (opposite Tema General Hospital)

The discounted rate is GHC200 for results in 24 hours.

• LEDing Medical Lab for a discounted price for COVID tests.

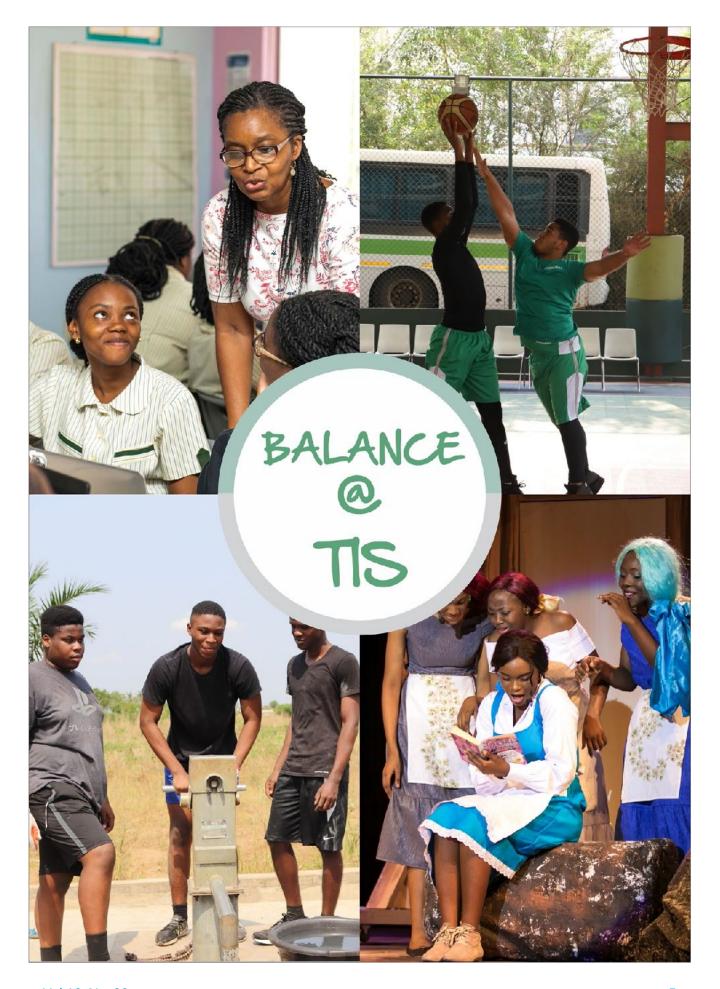
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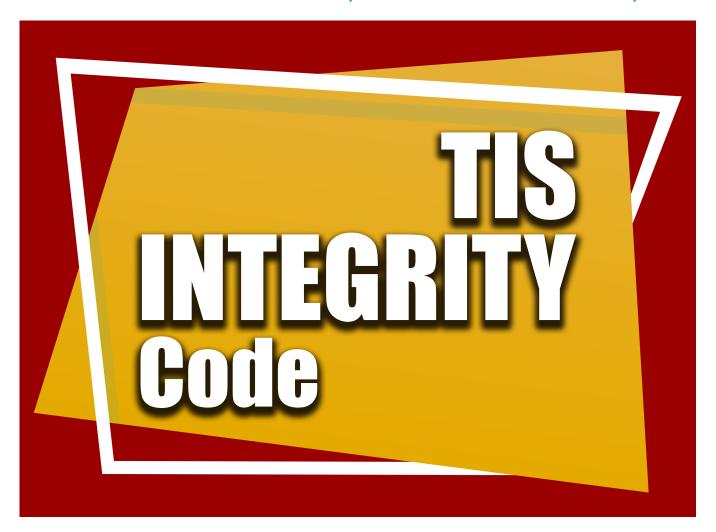
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The discounted rate is GHC250 for results in 48 hours. You must use the Corporate ID when booking online to access the discount.

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"TIS, as a family school that provides unique experiences, embodies a spirit of integrity and respect for others which are central to the personal, academic and ethical development of each member.

As a TIS family member,

I promise to uphold and demonstrate its values, and protect the reputation of the school.

I make this pledge in the spirit of honour and trust."







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