



# TINDLEY

A Message from the CEO | December 10, 2017



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**TINDLEY ACCELERATED**  
**SCHOOLS**

Dear Parents,

As we approach the end of the first semester, I would like to thank each and every one of you for your continued support. Please continue to stay involved. We welcome your input and value your partnership.

*Kelli B. Marshall*

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## Academics

All scholars are in the process of completing the NWEA assessment that measures student growth over time in the areas of Reading and Mathematics. It is a norm-referenced test offered to students nationwide that provides us with an understanding of the approximate grade level equivalent that students are performing. In addition to the NWEA assessment, scholars in grades 3 - 10 are administered the Acuity assessment which assesses a student's understanding of the real-time content that has been taught. Both assessments provide us with a clear projection of how our students will perform on the state-mandated assessment. These assessments are not factored into the scholars' overall grades.

Semester 1 report cards will be mailed home over the winter break. You can also access your scholar's grades via the parent login on Power School. If you need your login information, please contact the school's business manager.

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## Enrollment

Tindley, along with several other public and charter schools, has moved to a unified enrollment process, **Enroll Indy**. This will allow NEW families an opportunity to scroll through various school profiles to select the best option for their scholar. If you are currently enrolled and planning to re-enroll for the upcoming school year you DO NOT need to go through the online process. Instead, schools will be contacting you internally to secure your seat for next year. If you have any questions about re-enrolling or would like further information regarding any of the Tindley schools, please contact our enrollment coordinator, Jennene Young at [jyoung@tindley.org](mailto:jyoung@tindley.org).

If you would like schedule a shadow day for your rising ninth grader, please contact the Charles A. Tindley high school admissions coordinator, Megan Lewis at [mlewis@tindley.org](mailto:mlewis@tindley.org) or via phone at 317-545-1745. Shadows are currently held on Wednesdays.

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## Parent Involvement

Tindley prides itself on its active parent involvement. Due to the consistent presence at the school level, the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) has only held one meeting this semester. Our next meeting will be held on January 4, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. We will meet in the cafeteria of the high school. Parents who have previously submitted their requests will be contacted via email. Please be reminded that if you would like to get information to the advisory council, you can access the [link](#) on the website under the parent tab. Formal grievances should also be filed through that [link](#).

## We now have a mobile app!

Please click the following links for both [Android](#) and [IPhones](#) to download the Tindley Mobile App. You can also download it by visiting your App Store and searching for "Tindley". We will be continually making updates; however the app is now live.

## Network Updates

Parents of Renaissance and Genesis had the opportunity to meet with the newly assigned administrators of each building last week. Edward Rangel was welcomed back to Genesis where he originated and Julie Bakehorn was introduced to the Renaissance family. Although neither of these transitions was expected, we are confident that the leaders will continue to uphold the academic progress and culture of each building.

Tindley Collegiate will not be assigned a new principal for the remainder of the school year and will instead be supported by the current Director of Academics, Patrick Jones and one of the Co-principals of Tindley Prep, Ron Clark. Each of these leaders will remain in their current roles, but offer support to the pre-existing administration.

Mr. Clark will assume the overall communication and instructional oversight of the building. Parents are encouraged to come out and meet him at 5:00 p.m. on December 14 prior to the winter concert. Of course, parents are always encouraged to visit and observe at any time during the school day.

## What's New in Education?

[Click](#) to read this recent article in the *Indianapolis Star* as State Superintendent Jennifer McCormick discusses Indiana's top 2018 education priorities.



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