

Tarawa Terrace Elementary School

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Tiger Families,

Time to celebrate! We have been in school for almost 6 weeks for face-to-face instruction. Thank you for your patience with our new procedures and guidelines that we have in place to ensure that everyone stays safe at all times. Our teachers and staff have worked tirelessly to ensure that the school year started off successfully and we are dedicated to ensuring that the positive experiences continue.

Please continue to review the DoDEA prescreening protocol every day within 2 hours of your students coming to school. If your student is exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms, please do not send your child to school. Also, please remind your student(s) to bring their face covering every day with them to school along with a water bottle. As seasonal influenza becomes a reality in the coming months, we believe our protocols will protect our Tigers, as well. Please be reminded that flu shots are required to school attendance and make preparations early for having students immunized if you have not done so.



Restricted access to the building will continue. Thank you for your understanding as we work hard to ensure that every possible safety measure is in place to keep our TTES school community safe. Although, we are limiting entry into the building, our commitment to providing an exceptional education for your children every day is unwavering. We are available by phone, email and Google Meet if you have any questions or concerns. We strive to return all messages within 24 hours and often do so by the close of business on the same day.

Again, thank you for everything that you do for your children and for our school community at TTES. We hope everyone continues to have a safe and Terrific Tiger Year!

Sincerely,

Leigh Anne Daniel-Faulkner,
Principal

James Brown,
Assistant Principal

Terence Walton, Administrative
Officer



Upcoming Events

October

- ✓ **7** Early Release Day
- ✓ **12** Columbus Day
No School for Staff or Students
- ✓ **13** CCR Day
No School for Students
- ✓ **14** Early Release Day
- ✓ **21** Early Release Day
- ✓ **28** End of Quarter 1
- ✓ **30** Teacher Workday
No School for Students



Information for Tigers

[www.K12Payment Center.com](http://www.K12PaymentCenter.com)

K12PaymentCenter (formerlyLunchPrepay.com) is a secure, easy and convenient way to apply funds directly to your student's account online. You can even check the account balance and keep an eye on what your student is buying! As an added convenience, parents can receive a Low Balance notification email alerting the parent that the student's account will need another payment applied soon.

<https://www.dodea.edu/TarawaTerraceES/meals.cfm>

The link listed above will give you access to the monthly lunch/ breakfast menu, free/ reduced lunch application, and to the online meal prepay site!



Information Center (Library)

Students are engaging in the Library! Books are being checked out (and hopefully read!) Smiles everywhere that we are still able to get books in the hands of your children!

We are having Literature Enrichment, learning about our awesome databases and discovering new things every day! Read, Read, Read! That is our motto!

DID YOU KNOW? Dodea offers a platform for students to use research databases free and read books online!! Don't miss out!!

MackinVia: Is a great resource for students to use as it provides electronic books along with different databases for research. PebbleGo, Encyclopedia, Images, Tumblebooks etc.



DESTINY: Students also have access to Destiny, our school's online catalog listing all the books we have here at TT in our library on the school website. (You must use CHROME in order to work properly).

Access through TTES school webpage at the bottom of the page or click on "Library Services". Passwords are required and can be obtained by emailing Mrs. Dula at carol.dula@dodea.ecu or asking your homeroom teacher. Students can log on using their student google account if they have one.

Thank you!

Mrs. Dula

Information Specialist

MFLC – Military Family Life Counselor



Hi, my name is Jennifer Mally and I have served in the role of a Military Family Life Counselor (or MFLC), for about 5 years. I enjoy helping families who are striving to function within their own family systems as well as within larger society given certain challenges that may arise as a result of their demanding roles within the military service field. There are brochures available with my card attached which further describe my role and which I will be distributing in classrooms for parents as well as school staff. Professionally, I possess a Master's Degree in Clinical Psychology and I am licensed to practice independently in the state of NC. I have worked with various populations: age groups, demographics, and settings. While the MFLC position isn't designed to be clinical, the clinical training we have completed and continue to complete for currency enables us to possess the judgement needed to work with specified populations such as military service providers and their families.

Personally, I am originally from Maryland, relocated to Chicago to complete my graduate work and ended up living there for 20 years, moved back to Maryland for job and family, and, finally to NC to work at Camp Lejeune and live near the ocean. I enjoy cooking food from various ethnicities, the farm to table concept and growing my own vegetables, travel, hiking, and the outdoors.

It is a pleasure to meet all of you!

Nurses Notes

Dear Parents and Families,

I have been in touch with the Naval Hospital about our annual flu clinic. At this time they DO NOT plan to hold flu clinics in the school. So we will not be holding an annual clinic at the school.

Navy Med will be doing a one-stop location somewhere on base but those plans (date and location) have not been finalized as of yet.

Based on this information, it would be wise to investigate and take advantage of other options to obtain a flu shot for your families. Please submit proof of influenza immunization by December 1st.

Remember influenza season typically runs from October to April each year.

If you have questions, feel free to contact me at deborah.braxton@dodea.edu or via phone at 910-450-1635.

Respectfully,

Deborah K. Braxton, MSN, RN, NCSN
School Nurse
Tarawa Terrace Elementary School





CHILD FIND PRESCHOOL CHILDREN Ages 3-5



Your preschool child is learning and growing in many areas that lead to being
“Ready to Learn”

Sometimes children experience difficulty in their development that may cause problems
when they start school.

Personal-Social Development

1. Has difficulty following routines in Preschool/CDC/Day Care
2. Doesn't respond to adult redirection or interaction
3. Does not play or talk with peers
4. Tantrums frequently in public
5. Does not separate from parents without tantrums

Communication

1. Is difficult for most people to understand
2. Doesn't seem to understand directions
3. Language sounds much different than other children his/her age
4. Adults wonder if the child is hearing them
5. Does not use verbal speech or language to communicate

Learning

1. Doesn't seem to remember what was learned from one day to the next
2. Doesn't seem interested in learning
3. Doesn't want to participate in activities that involve learning and exploring

Motor Skills

1. Seems to fall often/is very clumsy
2. Has great difficulty holding utensils/holding writing or coloring tools
3. Doesn't seem to have strength when coloring/drawing

Self-Help

1. Is not potty trained and all others of the same age seem to be potty trained.
2. Does not put on even simple clothing items
3. Has great difficulty feeding himself or herself

Do any of these concerns sound familiar?

**Call your local elementary school today to request an appointment
for Child Find!**

Delalio Elementary: 910-449-0601
Heroes Elementary: 910-449-8000
Johnson Primary School: 910-451-2431
Tarawa Terrace Elementary: 910-450-1635