

1100 Miller Street
Tillamook, Oregon 97141

April 4, 2020

Dear Families,



Thank you for your patience and resilience as our community works to make the safest and healthiest decisions during this uncertain time. The TELC Board of Directors has been meeting regularly in order to adapt to the changing circumstances. We are closely monitoring updates from Oregon Health Authority, the CDC, and Governor Kate Brown. The orders and guidelines set forth directly impact how we can provide services during this time of uncertainty. In addition, TELC staff have been reaching out to families to learn what you want and need.

Based on our conversations, we created a Q & A to help answer questions you might have.

Q: How long will TELC be closed?

A: TELC will be closed through April. We will re-open, but we are not announcing a re-opening date at this time. Stay connected with us through Facebook, www.tillamookelc.org, emails, and phone calls. We will provide updates on a regular basis.

Q: Will I receive a bill for April?

A: No tuition payments will be billed for April.

Q: I have autopay set-up. Will autopay go through for April tuition?

A: No. Autopay tuition payments have been stopped.

Q: What is TELC providing for families at home?

A: TELC teachers are creating packets for your child to work on at home. Packets will be left in labeled boxes at the front door of TELC (1100 Miller Avenue) for curbside pick-up.

Q: Will TELC provide emergency childcare for first responders and essential workers?

A: TELC continues to work with the Tillamook School District on plans for emergency care. If needed, TELC will be part of that solution.

Q: Is my child still enrolled at TELC?

A: Yes!!! Our teachers miss your kiddos and look forward to seeing them again soon.

Q: Is this closure going to hurt TELC's finances?

A: TELC does have bills to pay even though the center is closed. If you are in a position to make a donation, TELC will gladly accept it. Donations to TELC are tax deductible! Checks can be mailed to: 1100 Miller Street Tillamook, Oregon 97141. Online donations can be made to TELC thru [Tillamook United Way](#).

Q: What does this closure mean for kids who are entering kindergarten next year?

A: TELC has a strong partnership with Tillamook School District. Together we will make sure our kids have a successful transition to kindergarten.

Q: Who do I contact if I have questions?

A: Please direct any questions to Emily Critelli (acting Executive Director). Emily is currently working from home and available by email at ecritelli@tillamookelc.org or by calling 503-676-3765.

Sincerely,

TELC Board of Directors

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"What the best and wisest parent wants for his own child, that must the community want for all its children."

- John Dewey, Philosopher and Educator