



TLS COMMUNITY UPDATE

MARCH 2, 2026

TLS STUDENTS RANKED IN THE TOP 1% & PLACED #20 OUT OF MORE THAN 2K MO. K-5 SCHOOLS FOR READING GROWTH LAST SCHOOL YEAR

Top 1% of Elementary Schools:

As a relatively new school, 2025 was the first year TLS' growth on the state standardized test (MAP) could be measured. St. Louis University's PRiME Center released a report last week listing the schools with the most growth across the state of Missouri. The Leadership School scored in the TOP 1% of all Missouri schools in reading growth! We were ranked #20 out of more than 2,000 elementary schools in the state!

Reading and Math Benchmark Data Update!

Our little learners are busy becoming little leaders, and it shows! Check out the growth they showed from Fall 2025 to December 2025 in ELA and Math:

Reading - TLS **increased** the percent of students reading on or above grade-level from 16% in August, 2025 to 34% in the December, 2025, and **decreased** the percent of students 2 or more grade-levels behind grade-level from 39% to 24%!



Math - TLS **increased** the percent of students doing math on or above grade-level from 6% in September, 2025 to 18% in December, 2025, and **decreased** the percent of students 2 or more grade-levels behind grade-level from 47% to 29%!



SAVE THE *date*

March 10 - 13:

Spring Book Fair

March 12 - 13:

Spring Conferences
Early Release

March 16 - 20:

Spring Break

March 23 - 27:

Career Week

April 11:

Enrollment Open-House

April 16 - 17:

Wellness Break

April 20 - 24

Spirit Week

May 2

Skating For Change

May 19

Kinder Promotion

May 20

5th Grade Graduation

May 22

Last Day of School

TLS takes pride in recruiting & retaining the highest-quality teachers & staff in STL

To provide students with the best possible learning environment, TLS must attract, develop, and retain high-quality teachers and leaders. Our innovative staff model is designed to create a supportive, motivating, and sustainable environment for all staff. In order to build a sustainable work environment, TLS provides all core content teachers with on-going coaching and development, dedicated time for content teams to collaborate and 2.5 hours/day of planning and/or development. All teachers are also departmentalized allowing them to plan for and become content experts in just one content area. This will help ensure teachers feel supported and will prevent teacher burnout.

OUR SPECIAL SAUCE IS SIMPLE → OUR TEACHERS



Joyful STAFF CULTURE! ❤️ ☀️



Growing our staff:

Because TLS is growing, we are looking to add a few phenomenal educators to our team. We are currently hiring a few additional teachers in the following content areas:

- Kindergarten Lead Teacher
- Elementary Math Teacher
- Elementary ELA Teacher
- Middle School Math Teacher
- Elementary Science Teacher

WE'RE Hiring

Visit our website @ tlsstl.org to apply



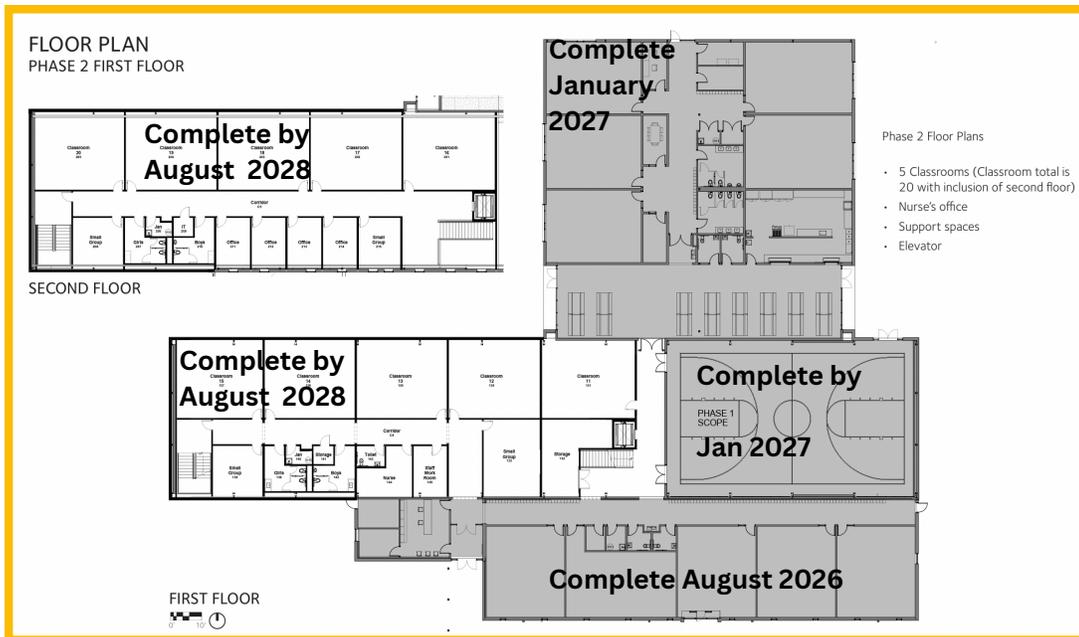
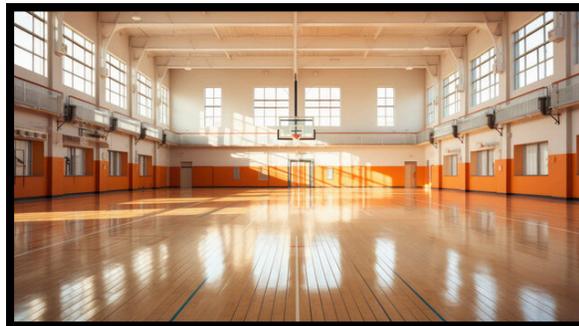
TLS Facility Expansion Update



Get Ready! We Are Expanding (Again)!

EXCITING NEWS! We purchased a building down the street from our current campus, and we will begin construction in a few weeks. Next school year, this school building will house our 5th and 6th graders. By August, we will have 5 new classrooms ready to go, and a full size gym and cafeteria will open shortly after. By the 2027 - 2028 school year, we will move all 3rd - 8th grade classes to the new building with a total of an additional 20 classrooms.

This summer we will also begin construction on a playground and will be doing some renovation to the original building, which will allow students to eat lunch and have PE in a newly designed multi-purpose room.



EXPANSION TIMELINE

March 2026:

- Construction begins on new facility

June 2026:

- Renovation on original TLS building begins
- Playground construction begins

August 2026:

- 5 Classrooms in new building complete for 5th and 6th graders
- Original TLS building renovation complete
- Elementary playground complete

January 2027:

- Gym and cafeteria in new build complete
- 5 Additional classrooms in new build complete

August 2027:

- 3rd & 4th Grade move to new building
- Construction begins on 10 additional classrooms at new building

August 2028

- 10 additional classrooms complete in new building.
- Additional playground added at new building

#Blueprint

Black History Program

TLS closed out Black History month with a bang! Our little leaders showed their pride for black culture & history with dances, songs, acting & fashion.



A BIG Thanks to All Who Gave Their Time to Make This a Great Event!



Check Out Our Little Talented Performers

