

Today's Fresh Start Charter School

Mission & Vision Statements

Mission Statement

Your child is a scholar at Today's Fresh Start! We make your smart kid smarter with a view of Whizz Kids!

Today's Fresh Start's Mission

“Teaching each child individually to perfect scholarly achievement academic, social and emotional development.” We're Raising The Bar, Closing The Achievement Gap and striving to be the “best school in the United States!”

Vision Statement

Today's Fresh Start, Inc. (TFSCS) was founded by Dr. Jeanette Grattan Parker. Dr. Clark Parker works collaboratively with Dr. Jeanette in an Advisory capacity. As a team, they have been educating our children in the community for more than 50 years. The mission of TFSCS is to ensure excellence in teaching and learning so that each scholar will participate responsibly in a diverse and changing world preparing them as “lifelong learners.”

Central to the way TFS conducts education are three core values: Focus on instruction, parent, community partnerships, and continuous, ongoing scholastic improvement escalating scholarly achievement! TFSCS's data driven instruction via our own Tracking and Monitoring Academic Achievement System© (TMAAS: created by Dr. Jeanette) of each scholars weekly assessments, NWEA (NorthWestern Evaluation Association), and Smarter Balance State Mandated testing, we know where to instruct your child in core academic areas.

STEAM Program On the horizon is the development of our Science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (**STEAM**) program

PARENT COMMITMENT

PARENT PARTICIPATION CRITICAL
Be at school everyday on time!

Parent participation is a “cannot do without requirement!” TFSCS and The State of California legally mandate and ***holds parents accountable*** for “BEING ON TIME IN SCHOOL EVERYDAY” attendance. As partners in your scholar’s education your commitment allows greater assurance for scholarly success! Parent commitment is required to engage the daily success of your scholar!

In support of the Today’s Fresh Start mission we, the staff, ensure our committment that every effort is made:

- We believe in and respect our scholars as individuals with individual talent
- Each student is a scholar
- Each student to achieve MET/EXCEED according to California State Standards
- To achieve the highest level of performance by all staff.
- To implement an academically stimulating learning environment with data driven, rigorous instruction and challenging curriculum
- Provide a safe haven and nurturing environment in which students, staff, families, and community members participate and contribute.
- To value cultural diversity
- That policies, structures, services, and resources support the vision, beliefs, mission, and goals of the school
- The Philosophy of Education for TFSCS is a statement of the beliefs subscribed for the rigorous pursuit of total educational endeavor and a framework for continuing to perfect academic excellence.
- TFSCS offers free, quality public education. There is no tuition.
- With the mission in mind that every student is a scholar and be a lifelong learner, Today’s Fresh Start Charter School envisions “a school of excellence striving to be “The best school in the United States!” TFSCS is WASC accredited (Western Association of

Schools and Colleges), which accredits schools and universities throughout the United States, such as USC and UCLA.

- Accreditation ensures that TFSCS has the high degree of academic performance.
- TFSCS is a member of the National Elementary Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society. **These associations: WASC, NHSE and NHSJ honors help every graduating scholar from eighth grade and into high school, give more assurance of each child becoming a college graduate.

OUR VISION

Today's Fresh Start Charter School (TFSCS) was founded by Dr. Jeanette Parker. As founder of TFSCS, the mission of our school is to ensure excellence in teaching and learning so that each student will participate responsibly in a diverse and changing world preparing them as "lifelong learners." A critical part of the TFSCS vision is to achieve optimum parent involvement; that is parents will have their minor child "in school on time every day"; participate in parent conferences, school sponsored activities and become a part of the TFSCS school community through commitment, partnership and participation.

Goal & Core Values

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN EDUCATED PERSON IN THE 21ST CENTURY

The goal of TFSCS is that each TFS scholar become an enthusiastic lifetime learner. With parent involvement, your scholar will be an educated person in the 21st Century with an arsenal of knowledge to draw upon for success in a highly competitive, educated, technical and sophisticated society. Core knowledge in the subjects of language arts, math, science, social studies, geography, and history, is essential. However, such knowledge must be coupled with an appreciation for our environment and performing arts. This combined knowledge allows

individuals to work cooperatively, collaboratively understanding and respect people from diverse cultural and social backgrounds. An educated person, to his/her fullest potential will becomes self-motivated intrinsically, competent and a productive citizen in the global economy of the 21st Century.