

## **Thendral Tamil School of Rochester – In Affiliation with International Tamil Academy(a.k.a California Tamil Academy)**

The Main objective of 'Thendral Tamil School' is to provide the best learning environment possible to every student learning Tamil.

We enroll any student irrespective of religion/nationality to attend the school. There is an evaluation process to determine the grade/level in which the student will be eligible to be admitted into.

**WE ARE AWAITING COVID-19 SAFETY COMPLIANT LEARNING/TEACHING GUIDELINES FROM TEMPLE MANAGEMENT. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE WHILE WE WORK OUT THE DETAILS OF IN -PERSON / ONLINE CLASSES.**

### **School Guidelines and Code of conduct:**

- **Student Attendance:**

**Perfect Attendance:** All students with 100% perfect attendance, attending all the classes at ITA are honored with a perfect attendance trophy on the graduation day. 100% attendance is required to qualify for perfect attendance award. The students must be present in the class when the school starts which is usually 10:45am to qualify for perfect attendance.

**Absence Policy:** An absence will be marked as absent in the attendance record irrespective of the reason. Since attendance carries 10% of final score, it is important that the student attends all the classes.

- **Student Evaluation Tests:**

- All new students above 5 years of age are evaluated for their Tamil skill. Depending on the evaluation test score, the students are assigned to the right grade. The returning student may also be evaluated for promotion to next grade.
- Every 4<sup>th</sup> week there is a test. There is also a final exam at the end of the school year. Kindly refer to the calendar for details on exam dates. Your teacher will provide the material for preparation.

- **Student Progress Report:**

**Term Progress Report:**

At the end of each term, teachers issue a progress report to the students. Parents are encouraged to contact the child's teacher to discuss students' progress.

**Annual Student's Rank Report:**

**(Year-round Evaluation of student's skills and knowledge)**

Each student will be observed in the class by his/her teacher on every school day for his/her attendance, class participation and homework skills. Additionally students in the higher grade levels will be observed for reading, recital, writing projects and book reports etc. All these observations are entered into the student's log book every week.

This information will be used at the end of the year, along with the student's Term Test scores and Final exam score, to calculate the year-round performance of the student and to promote the students to the next grade.

- **Student Drop and Pickup:**

**Tamil School is in session every Sunday from 10:45 am to 12:15pm**

- Parents are responsible for dropping their kids in the appropriate class room and picking up from class "on time".
- Children are not allowed to wait in the parking lot.
- The school timings are set to benefit the students who take both Bal Vihar and Tamil School, so that their wait time is limited. The temple authorities do not want kids to be wandering around. So, it would be the parents' responsibility to make sure your kids are being monitored or taken care of outside class hours.
- Please make sure that you let your child use the bathroom and also fed if they are hungry. Once the class starts teachers cannot be held responsible for these logistics.
- Please advice the children on the importance of respecting temple property while in the temple.

- **Fee Policy:**

**Hindu Temple Members: \$120 + Cost of Books**

**Non-Members: \$130 + Cost of Books**

Siblings discounts are not available for the first two children. For the 3rd sibling there is a 10% discount on the annual fee. There are no discount on book costs.

**Cost of Books:** ranges from \$14 to \$30 depending the level your child is in.

Fees are to be paid at the start of the school year. We recommend two separate check(Annual fee, Book Cost) payable to 'Hindu Temple of Ro