



எலிகாட் சிட்டி தமிழ்ப்பள்ளி
TAmil Language Education aNd Training inc



Welcome to TALENT
2021 – 2022
Academic Year



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Tamil Thai Vazhthu

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TALENT Board (2021 - 2022)

To view

**Board of Trustee Members, ExCo Members, TALENT
Academic Council (TAC)**



Class Levels and Teachers

To view

[Class Levels and Teachers](#)

Web Master: Thiru. Thangavelu



Seal of Biliteracy Students

These students have taken HG 10 (Biliteracy exam) & currently preparing for OPI (Oral test) and will be submitting to their Seal of Biliteracy to their public school when they have satisfied all the requirements.

Saranya Dhilipkannah	Rishi Kumar
Vetrivel Santhalingam	Harshitha Jeyakumar
Harrykesh Mayilsamy	Ashwin Pugazhendhi
Maya Santhanam	Kavin Seralathan
Srikrishnan Sridhar	Trinetra Vijayakumar

TVA Advanced & Intermediate Exams

These students have successfully completed TVA exams in the year 2020 - 2021

TVA Advanced: 11 students

TVA Intermediate: 18 students

HG 10: 8 students



பாடத்திட்டக்குழு (TAC)

- TAC is responsible for syllabus, curriculum and books for all levels.
- TAC holds meetings with all the teachers and welcomes feedback from parents as well.
- Our class levels and books are also aligned to Biliteracy Seal from lower level.
- Biliteracy Seal is explained briefly in the subsequent slides.
- The books are also prepared/aligned according to the Biliteracy Seal requirements.
- Every level - we are having a permanent Assistant Teacher along with the Primary Teacher. We are still looking for more AT volunteers for 2 levels.
- In addition, Substitute teachers and Parent volunteers are also needed.
- Since we are having the school in the Virtual mode, Teachers will plan and schedule short exams/quizzes periodically. One Mid-term and Final written test will be held.
- **We plan to schedule a separate meeting for Parents regarding the TVA Levels!**
- Any academic issues related to class rooms, books and teachers can be emailed to tamiltalentusa.tac@gmail.com



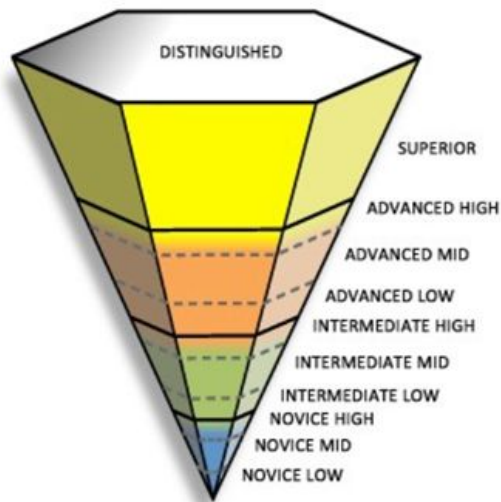
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Three Ranges of Performance - 11 Levels of Language Proficiency



<https://www.actfl.org/sites/default/files/guidelines/ACTFLProficiencyGuidelines2012.pdf>



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- American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Proficiency Assessments
 - பேசுதல் - Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) – Tamil
 - கவனித்தல் - Listening Proficiency Test (LPT)
 - வாசித்தல் - Reading Proficiency Test (RPT)
 - எழுதுதல் - Writing Proficiency Test (WPT)
 - Languages and Literacy Collaboration Center (LLCC) - *to connect collaborative teams of world language educators and colleagues from other disciplines from across the United States in a project focused on developing learners' literacy skills.*

<https://www.actfl.org/assessment-professional-development/languages-and-literacy>



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MARYLAND SEAL OF BILITERACY



APPROVED ASSESSMENTS ALIGNED TO ACTFL PROFICIENCY GUIDELINES

Name	Source	Language(s)	Skills Assessed	Cost	Comments	Minimum Qualifying Score
ACTFL OPI & WPT for the Seal of Biliteracy	ACTFL	Albanian Amharic Bengali/Bangla Bosnian/Croatian Bulgarian Cantonese Dari Gujarti Haitian Creole Hebrew Malayalam Pashto Polish Swahili Tamil	Listening Speaking Reading Writing	\$55 for current users of AAPPL	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Offered January through MayAlternative for less-common languages for schools already administering AAPPL	Intermediate High



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Avant WorldSpeak	Avant, LLC	Spanish Amharic Armenian Chin (Hakha) Czech Tagalog Haitian-Creole Hmong Ilocano Samoan Somali (2) Tamil Telugu Turkish Urdu	Writing Speaking	\$50	Results within 10 days	6
AJA Assessment Tamil Language Proficiency Assessment	AJA Assessment	Tamil	Listening Speaking Reading Writing	\$125	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A detailed report will be provided along with Proficiency Certificate. Administered in person or online via videoconference 6 times per year and on demand Results sent within one week. Contact AJA Assessment for more information. 	Intermediate High

<http://marylandpublicschools.org/about/Documents/DCAA/World-Languages/Biliteracy/MSDEACTFLAlignedAssessments.pdf>



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- <http://www.tamilvu.org/en/certificate-course-0>
 - Certificate Course
 - 1. Basic exam module
 - <http://www.tamilvu.org/en/courses-exam-html-home-en-77024>
 - The examinations for basic level will be under Three modes:
 - Oral Examination - 100 Marks
 - Visual Examination - 100 Marks
 - Written Examination - 100 Marks
 - 2. **Intermediate** exam module
 - <http://www.tamilvu.org/en/courses-exam-html-cwexminten-77018>
 - The examinations for Intermediate level will be under two modes:
 - Online Examination (Time : 1.00 Hour) 50 Marks
 - Offline Written Examination (Time : 1.30 Hour) 75 Marks
 - 3. **Advanced** exam module
 - <http://www.tamilvu.org/en/courses-exam-html-cwexmadven-77010>
 - The examinations for Advanced level will be under two modes:
 - Online Examination (Time : 1.00 Hour) 50 Marks
 - Offline Written Examination (Time : 1.30 Hour) 50 Marks
- **Seal of Biliteracy - Pass the Maryland High School Assessment in English**
- <http://www.tamilvu.org/en/highercertificate> (**HG10**)
 - The Examination will have two components
 - On line exams. (Time : 0.30 Hour) 50 Marks
 - Off line written exam. (Time : 2.30 Hour) 75 Marks
- **ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview - Intermediate High.**



நிலைகளும், தேர்வுகளும்

- இளந்தளிர் நிலை (வயது 5க்கு கீழே), வயது 5 – நிலை 1
- நூல்கள் – AITL Books – American Inst of Tamil Language
- 5 முடியும் பொழுது வாக்கியங்கள் எழுத, வாசிக்கத் தெரியவேண்டும்.
- நிலை 6 & 7 – TVA Intermediate
- நிலை 8 & 9 – TVA Advanced
- நிலை 10 – TVA HG10
- TVA தேர்வுகளை நிலைகள் 7, 9 & 10ல் எழுதுவார்கள்.
- நிலைகள் 6-10 வரை மாணவர்கள் அவர்களது வயதுப்படி உரிய நிலையில் சேர்க்கப்படுவார்கள் (TAC-ல் திருமதி மஞ்சவைத் தொடர்புகொள்ளவும்)
- Preparing for alternate exams - ACTFL, AJA, ATIL, Avant, ATTA and including extra materials and exercises along with TVA materials in books 6 - 10.
- Oral classes conducted by Meghna, Pranavaa, Darsana, Akshay.
- Thanking Teachers who left TALENT in 2021 – Nandini (1B), Gomathi (5B), Muthuselvam (Nilai 6B), Gnanam & Vaishnavi (8A), Uma (8B)



School Schedule

For the academic year **2021 - 2022 (first half)**, all classes will be conducted **virtually**. TALENT will revisit in-person depending on situation at that time.

Teachers will discuss with class parents/students to come up with a day/time that works for the entire class. Unlike in-person classes, **it does not have to be every Friday at 7.15pm**. Any such change will be communicated by the Class teacher/TALENT to individual class.



Rules and Expectations

Attendance policy:

- **In Person or Virtual** - Be ON TIME. Tardiness will affect the attendance & grades.
- Please follow up **emails and whatsapp messages** from school & teachers.

Virtual Classroom etiquette:

- It will be helpful to your teachers if a parent can sit with student for online learning. **Camera should be on and student visible to teacher.**
- Parents help is needed to manage students focus online
- If there are behavioral issues in the class, teachers will first communicate to parents, and then to the admin staff. If admin staff cannot resolve, it will be escalated to the principal and there is a possibility of removing your child from school.



The **Do's** and **Don'ts** of Online Learning

Link to view:

<http://tamiltalent.org/rules-and-regulations/>



TALENT Calendar

Link to [TALENT Calendar for academic year 2020 - 2021](#)



Student withdrawal & refund info

Fees:

TALENT fees for students is \$125/student. Payments are accepted via “Zelle” to “tamiltalentusa@gmail.com”. Fees are due today, Orientation day (09/10/2020)

Withdrawal:

By end of September - 100% refund (if books are issued cost will be deducted)

October - November - TALENT will deduct \$50

From November - February - TALENT will deduct \$75

After February - No refund



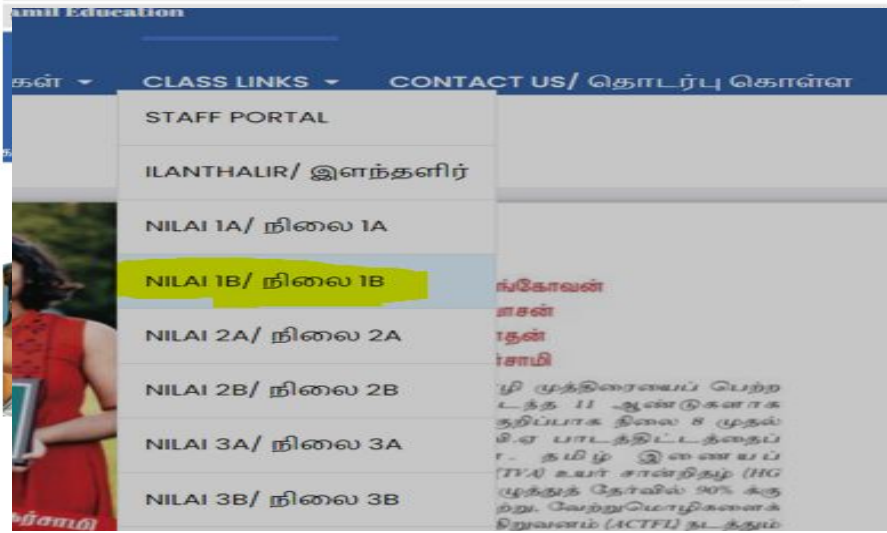
What to expect on the first day?

- First class on Sept. 17th or over weekend
- Teachers will work with parents to finalize day/time works for the class.
- **It will be Back to School Night with your teachers in your online classroom.**
- **Parents and children** should be present when class begins. Teachers will:
 - Discuss rules and expectations (online learning, attendance, homework)
 - Select volunteers for specific tasks (classroom parent etc.)
 - Establish a method of communication (whatsapp group, email etc.)

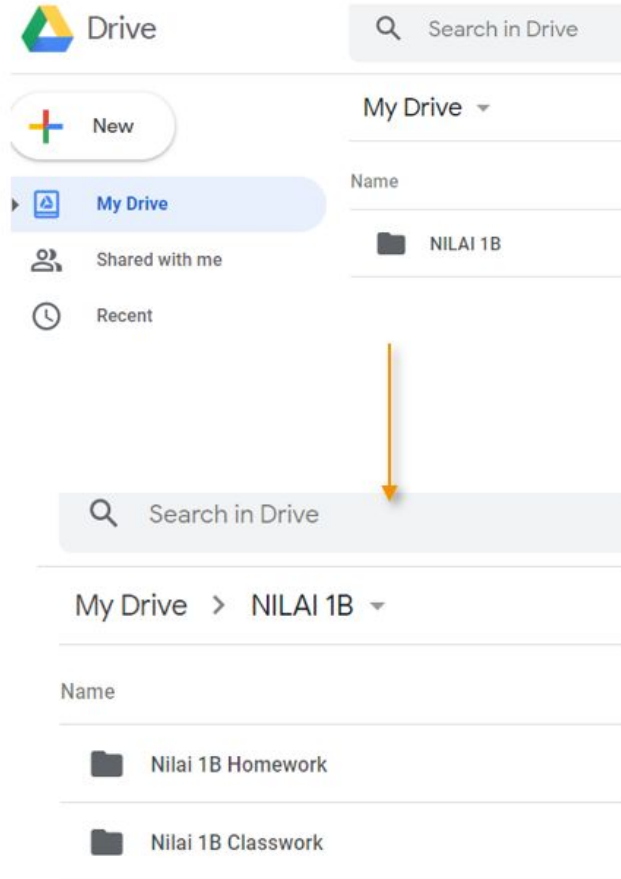


Class work & Home work

- Each student need to have their **google/gmail email address**. Only to those email address teachers will give permissions to add home work folder (classroom google drive) and permission to join Google Classroom.
- Emails and class room communications will go to Parent email addresses and they will have 'View' access to homework and classwork folders



- Classwork Folder will be accessible to parents and students email addresses
- Homework Folder will be accessible to ONLY students designated email address





TALENT Communications

Email Communications:

From admin team: your emails are used (in bcc) (tamiltalentusa@gmail.com)

WhatsApp Communications:

- From all class teachers in individual whatsapp groups
- TALENT Communication I

Open this link to join **TALENT General Communication**

(School Closures, Annual day, and Tamil School events)

and Tamil Community Events WhatsApp Group:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Foyr2UrwnYKGPFJIAvyYdh>





Treasurer Report

Beginning Balance: \$32,500

Student Fees: \$ 36,600

Expenses: \$25,200

Balance: \$ 43,900

Moved to Reserve: \$10,000

Beginning Balance for New Academic Year: \$33,900

Note: Fees Will be \$ 125/student; Numbers are rounded to the nearest \$ 100 for simplicity.

Additional Zoom Accounts, Expected Cost Increase in Printing. Total enrollment about 260 students



Best Wishes to Students & Teachers

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THANK YOU