



Mission

Empowering individuals to reach their highest potential through a customized and collaborative process of reflection, self-evaluation, and self-correction to achieve their educational goals.

Vision

Our vision is to facilitate all of our community members in developing, demonstrating, and valuing the knowledge and skills that will empower them as lifelong learners.

Empowering knowledge and skills include:

- Student Success Skills
- Significant Learning
- Wise Choice Process
- Self-Reflection, Self-Evaluation, and Self-Correction

Student Success Skills

Student success skills are habits and behaviors that support learners in taking ownership of their own actions and the learning process. Building these student success skills is part of the TLCI curriculum. By graduation, TLCI learners have had many opportunities to practice the following student success skills:

1. **Accept self-responsibility**, seeing themselves as the primary cause of their outcomes and experiences.
2. **Discover self-motivation**, finding purpose in their lives by discovering personally meaningful goals and dreams.
3. **Master self-management**, consistently planning and taking purposeful actions in pursuit of their goals and dreams.
4. **Employ interdependence**, building mutually supportive relationships that help them achieve their goals and dreams.
5. **Gain self-awareness**, consciously employing behaviors, beliefs, and attitudes that keep them on course.

6. **Adopt life-long learning**, finding valuable lessons and wisdom in nearly every experience they have.
7. **Develop emotional intelligence**, effectively managing their emotions in support of their goals and dreams.
8. **Believe in themselves**, seeing themselves capable, lovable, and unconditionally worthy as human beings.

Significant Learning

Meaningful learning begins with course content and then invites students to apply what they have learned, to connect knowledge and skills to other contexts, and to build self-awareness through reflecting on the learning process. Through the significant learning process, TLCI learners become lifelong learners.

1. **Foundational Knowledge** - Understanding and remembering information and ideas.
2. **Application** - Develop critical, creative, or practical thinking skills
3. **Integration** - Making connection between information, ideas, perspective people or realms of life
4. **Human Dimension** - Learning about oneself or others
5. **Caring** - Developing new feeling interests or values
6. **Learning How to Learn** - Becoming a better student inquiring about a subject becoming self-directed learners

Wise Choice Process

Observing a situation and making thoughtful decisions is a skill that students can practice in all areas of their life. As students encounter challenging situations, they will be able to rely on having practiced the Wise Choice Process as a TLCI learner.

1. What is my present situation?
2. How would I like my situation to be?
3. What are my possible choices?
4. What's the likely outcome of each choice?
5. When and how will I evaluate my plan?

Self-Reflection, Self-Evaluation and Self-Correction

The self-reflection process benefits both parent-teachers and their learners. Self-reflections assist in improving the teaching and learning experience and are a critical piece of the learner empowerment process.

Parent-teachers can use the reflective process to review and adjust their:

- instructional approach and methods
- awareness of their learner's interests and strengths
- problem solving and analytical skills
- support for learners as they self-assess and self-correct

Learner can use the reflective process review and adjust their:

- engagement, performance, and next steps
- questions about course content
- strengths and challenges
- awareness of the learning process
- critical thinking and analytical skills
- strategies for processing new information

The Importance of Feedback

Quality feedback is an important element of the learning process. TLCI believes that learners should receive focused feedback as soon as possible. This helps learners adjust their behavior and move forward in meeting their learning goals.

Feedback also supports the emerging personal awareness and ongoing empowerment of the learner and parent-teacher. TLCI leverages our online learning space and other digital tools to enhance the effectiveness of the high level of personal contact that each individual enjoys with their family advisor.

The advisor integrates the foundational TLCI concepts of empowerment, student success skills, and wise choices in their engagement with the learner and parent-teacher in a weekly feedback loop of self-reflection and self-evaluation. In this way, timely guided performance adjustments support the ongoing intrinsic motivation and empowerment of each individual.

TLCI learners become expert questioners, reflective critical thinkers, and self-aware persons, who are equipped with the skills to make wise choices on the journey to create a successful life.