



Trinity Christian School
Growing His kingdom... one student at a time

Son Times

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"But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:31 (NIV)

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

We're so glad you're here for 2021-2022!



TCS WALK-A-THON IN SEPTEMBER

Walk-A-thon Time! Trinity Christian School's 2021 Walk-a-Thon is Saturday, Sept. 18! This is one of our biggest fundraising events of the school year! The committee is planning an exciting time for families to reconnect after summer, meet new families, faculty and staff, and have fun while raising money for our school. We will be bringing back the BASH this year, so get ready for a fun day! The Walk-a-Thon theme scripture is Joshua 1:9, so TCS let's remain STRONG and COURAGEOUS, knowing that God is ALWAYS with us. Our fundraising goal is \$70,000!!!

Please begin to PRAY and start making a list of all the family and friends who you are going to contact to ASK for donations and start SPREADING the word.

Walk-a-Thon packets were distributed to K-8th grade families at Jump-Start Night. If you did not receive your packets please let your teacher know or you can pick one up from the front office. Our First Giving donation option site has been set up. The link is <https://secure.frontstream.com/trinity-christian-school-walk-a-thon-2021> and it will be a GREAT way to request pledges from long distance relatives via email, Facebook or other social media, so feel free to create a fundraising page for your child and begin to share.

Please note that there will be more details to come, in the upcoming weeks! If you have any questions in the meantime, you are welcome to contact Mrs. Toya Thomas, Special Events Coordinator, at 815-577-9310, ext. 54, or tthomas@trinitychristian.info.

REPORTING STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child is going to be absent for the day due to illness, please let the front office know by 9 a.m. You may call 815-577-9310, ext. 62, or email attendance@trinitychristian.info.

Also, prearranged vacations or absences during the school year are discouraged. Prior to making travel arrangements, parents must notify the Administrator, the front office **and** the teacher(s). Prearranged absences exceeding five (5) days per semester may be unexcused.

- A signed note from the parent explaining the absence is required at least **two weeks** prior to the day(s) missed
- If you verbally arrange your child's absence with the teacher or office, a **written** note or email is required for the absence to be excused.
- Parents/guardians should request any schoolwork for prearranged absences **IN WRITING AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE ABSENCE**. The teacher may determine if it is best to provide schoolwork ahead of the absence. Prior to the prearranged absence, middle school students are responsible for making arrangements for any homework or taking any tests they may miss.



**Kindergarten - 8th
Grade Calendar:
August 19-27**

Aug. 25
No Chapel

Aug. 25-26
Eighth Grade Retreat

Important Dates:

September 2
Curriculum Night

September 6
Labor Day - No School

September 14
Board Meeting

September 18
Walk-a-Thon



**Welcome
Back!**

Order Milk for the Year by Sunday

Trinity Christian School offers regular or chocolate milk for students each year. Whichever variety you select for your student is what he or she will receive for the duration of the school year.

To order please follow this link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/KeQxbBtN>. Payment may be made in full or by semester.

All milk orders must be placed by Sunday, Aug. 22.



HELP KEEP TRINITY SAFE AND HEALTHY!

We want to try to simplify and remind you of what we should be doing as a TCS community. We will continue to reiterate policies to keep everyone safe. It is pretty simple, not always convenient, but simple. If your child is not feeling well with any of the following symptoms; coughing, fever, headache, sore throat, achy, vomiting/diarrhea:

- Keep your child home and report your child's illness and symptoms to the front office
- As a precaution, siblings should stay home as well
- See your doctor for a checkup and diagnosis
- Illinois Department of Health guidelines state that anyone with COVID symptoms should be evaluated by a doctor
- Remain home until test results received
- Return to school if:
 - ◊ Student has a doctor's note to return with a non-Covid illness
 - ◊ Negative COVID test result and doctor's note
 - ◊ After remaining home and quarantined for the recommended time of 10-14 days, and symptom free for 24 hrs. without medications.

In order for TCS to remain strong and to remain in school in-person, we must all be diligent with self-screening and staying home when there is evidence of not feeling well.

Thank you for making TCS a safe place. Let's all work together to make this school year stand strong!

BUILDING SAFETY

Any time you come to the school, please check in at the front office. We ask that you sign in and wear a visitor or volunteer badge. The badge (whether a volunteer sticker or a clip-on badge) lets anyone who sees you know you have stopped in the front office and are authorized to be in the building. Be sure to let office staff open the exterior doors for visitors. Students are trained not to let anyone in the locked doors. Please do the same.

When present, please only attend the places you are scheduled to visit. Do not randomly stop in at classrooms or other destinations.

If you are dropping off an item for your student, you may leave it in the front office and the staff will make sure your child receives it.

The office is open Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m., unless otherwise noted.



TCS CLOTHES CLOSET

Did your student grow a bit over summer? It always seems to happen that way, doesn't it? Stop in during regular business hours to visit Trinity's Clothes Closet. There are many uniform items available for your growing child at no cost to you. That's right! FREE, gently used school uniforms available to you and your family. Special thanks to our volunteers for keeping everything neat and orderly!

PRISCILLA SHIRER SIMULCAST, VIA PARENT-TEACHER MINISTRY

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE! Trinity Christian School's Parent-Teacher Ministry is excited to invite you to attend "Going Beyond" a simulcast with Priscilla Shirer, Saturday, Sept. 25, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.!

This event brings women together for a day of powerful teaching, prayer, and amazing worship with Anthony Evans. We are thrilled to host and bring our community together to impact and bless women, and hope you will be able to join us. Please share this opportunity with your friends and family. There is more information on the flyer at the end of this newsletter. For tickets, just click here: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/1bfndgmp>

RECYCLE PAPER AT TRINITY CHRISTIAN



GOOD INFORMATION ON TRINITY'S WEBSITE

Have Questions? Our website is FULL of good information. Check it out at www.trinitychristian.info. Events are loaded onto our calendar and upcoming events are always on the main page. Surf around via the tabs on top. You may be surprised how much is there. Also, check out our [Facebook](#) page!



BE A SUBSTITUTE AT TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL!

We are seeking substitute teachers for the **2021-2022** school year. Substitutes must be able to step into a classroom environment to teach on short notice. A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university is required, and a teaching certificate or substitute license is preferred. Qualified substitutes must believe that the Bible is God's Word, and standard for faith and daily living. They must be in agreement with Trinity Christian School's mission and philosophy of education. Interested? [Apply Here!](#)

Trinity Christian School Employment Opportunities

There are currently a number of employment opportunities open for the 2020-2021 school year. If you or someone you know is interested in this position, please forward a completed application along with your resume to: Trinity Christian School, Attn: Jon Vugteveen, 901 Shorewood Dr., Shorewood, IL 60404. Applications may be found online or in the front office.

Middle School History Teacher

We are seeking a full-time, enterprising, middle school history teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. Qualified candidates will have at least a bachelor's degree and current teacher certification. A Social Science Endorsement is preferred but not required. The teacher must believe that the Bible is God's Word and must be in agreement with Trinity Christian School's mission and philosophy of education. A successful candidate will teach 6th-8th grade level Social Studies. Applicants should have a passion for engaging middle school students in the process of learning government, geography, history, economics, civic ideals, and current events. Duties include: instructing students through lectures, discussions and activities; assessing students' abilities, strengths and weaknesses; preparing, administering and grading tests to evaluate students' progress. If interested, please forward the completed application along with your resume to the above address.

Spanish Teacher

We are seeking a part-time Spanish teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. Qualified candidates should have at least a bachelor's degree and experience in speaking and teaching Spanish. The teacher must believe that the Bible is God's Word and must be in agreement with Trinity Christian School's mission and philosophy of education. This teacher must possess patience and be able to motivate students. Enthusiasm and creativity are assets, as are strong organizational skills. Experience isn't required but it is a bonus. The Spanish teacher will be responsible for developing lesson plans and enhancing provided curriculum in Kindergarten through 5th grade.

Substitute Teachers

We are seeking substitute teachers for the 2021-2022 school year. Substitutes must be able to step into a classroom environment to teach on short notice. A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university is required and a teaching certificate or substitute license is preferred. Qualified substitutes must believe that the Bible is God's Word and standard for faith and daily living, and must be in agreement with Trinity Christian School's mission and philosophy of education.

Evening Maintenance Position

We are currently accepting applications for an afternoon/evening maintenance position for the 2021-2022 school year. The position would, under general supervision, consist of cleaning and general maintenance after school and during rentals. Schedule would be Monday-Friday, 2:30-9 p.m., with some Saturdays included. Flexibility and adjusting hours may be discussed.

Getting Your Students to and From School

Keep Our Kids Safe!!

To be able to keep all of our students and families safe please follow these safe driving practices.

In General:

1. Cell phone usage is not permitted in any school zone, by law, including the school parking lot during arrival and dismissal times. By law, all cell phone use should be hands free whenever you are driving a car.
2. Please **DO NOT EVER** cut the "snake" route. This is dangerous and could cause a blind-sided accident to those who are following the route correctly. Please report any violators of this rule to the office so we can be sure everyone understands and are following the proper route directions.
3. All children should be seated/buckled appropriately at all times unless your vehicle is in park. No hanging out of windows or sunroofs while the car is moving.
4. Please honor the school zone speed limit of 20 mph, and even slower when in the parking lot.

Please understand we do not want anyone walking across the arrival and dismissal lines to enter the building, 8:15-8:30 a.m. and 3:15-3:30 p.m. We would like the focus to be on the cars and children being dropped off or dismissed. We ask that you enter the building before or after these times.

In the Morning:

1. If your vehicle has any students in grades K-3, please use the lane closest to the school when dropping them off.
2. **ALWAYS** wait for a volunteer to assist your child or children out of the car. Please do not let children out of the car before the designated drop-off area with volunteers present. This is important for the safety of our children and to keep the line running smoothly.
3. If your student is tardy (after 8:30 a.m.), please walk him or her into the building to sign them in.

In the Afternoon:

1. Pick up students through the pick-up line. If there are any students coming to your vehicle in grades K-3, please pick up from the main building. Vehicles picking up students in grades 4-8, pick up from the north building.
2. If dismissal plans for your family change for the day, please notify the front office and the teacher. Also please be sure to communicate the changed plans with your student(s).
3. Everyone should use the pickup line in the afternoon. If you need special arrangements to pick up your student by coming into the building, please notify the front office.



Thank you for adhering to these guidelines as we try to keep everyone as safe as possible and gets students to and from class the best way possible.

MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL

Students who require medication during the school day may not keep it with them (not even over-the-counter medication). **All** medicines must be stored in the front office, with the appropriate paperwork from the physician and/or parent, as required. Thank you for your attention to this matter!



PICK UP \$CRIP IN THE OFFICE

Because we are at the beginning of the school year and all of the forms you have handed in (most of you!) are still being sorted, **ALL** Scrip orders must currently be picked up in the office, Thursday afternoons.

Once we have your signed Scrip releases sorted and filed, your Scrip orders will be sent home with the student you ldesignated, if you elected to do so. Thank you for understanding!

JOIN US FOR THE
Going Beyond
SIMULCAST
PRISCILLA
SHIRER

Worship with Anthony Evans

SEPTEMBER 25, 2021



Trinity Christian School
901 Shorewood Drive
Shorewood, IL 60404

9:00am - 4:00pm

Tickets are \$20 each

Box lunches will be available for purchase.

Please join us for this impactful event that brings women together for a day of powerful teaching and amazing worship.