



Son Times

April 10, 2025

"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)

CONGRATULATIONS, MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

Congratulations to Trinity's March Students of the Month! These students were chosen by their grade-level teachers, specials teachers and administration for their notable excellence in academic performance, character, behavior, effort, social relationships and attendance.

The Trinity Christian School students selected each month are recognized in the newsletter, at chapel, and on Facebook. Students are awarded a Student of the Month certificate and a sign for their yards, as seen in the graphic included here. Great job to March Students of the Month, listed below:

Kindergarten: Catalina N. and Jeyah M. **First Grade:** Maxwell O. and Penelope S.
Second Grade: Oliver B. and Spurgeon D. **Third Grade:** Addison H. and Avianna P.
Fourth Grade: Andrew S. and Brynn S. **Fifth Grade:** Riven D. and Vera N.
Sixth Grade: Christian P. and Claire B. **Seventh Grade:** Olivia C. **Eighth Grade:** Sofia C.



EIGHTH GRADE GOES TO KENTUCKY!

April 2-4, 27 eighth graders, Miss Bekermeier, Mrs. Zientek, Mrs. Deeter, and 10 parents headed to Kentucky to visit and explore the Creation Museum and Ark Encounter. This trip built upon what these students have learned about creation and the flood in Bible and science class.

The students had an impactful and fun-filled trip to the Creation Museum and Ark Encounter. We were so thankful for safety (even in storms that came), learning what happened, and memories that were created. The students were impressed by the detail in the museums and all of the



information both had to offer. The class loved exploring different exhibits and insightful experiences throughout such as the seven Cs in God's eternal plan (Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, Consummation); a 4D movie on Noah's life; an exhibit focused on precious babies and abortion called "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made;" and an in-depth display at the ark of what it looked like and what was inside of it.

On top of all the learning, everyone shared in laughter and created many memories from walking through the petting zoo, the lunch and dinner stops, time at the hotel pool, conversations on the road trip, and goofy moments that happened. Additionally, we were so proud of the students for being lights for Jesus on this trip. After eating in a restaurant, a family approached us sharing

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Kindergarten-8th Grade Calendar: April 10-18

April 11

Donuts with Grownups
7:45 a.m.

April 13-16

ACSI Accreditation Visit

April 14-16

B.A.S.K. Drop-off and
Pickup at Door #6 Under
the Skywalk

April 16

Chapel 8:40 a.m.

April 17

Cemeno's in the Park
Fundraiser 11 a.m.-9 p.m.

April 18

Good Friday No School

Important Dates:

April 21

Easter Monday No School

April 22

School Board Meeting
7 p.m.

(**Ark**, from p. 1)

how impressed they were with our eighth graders' behavior, ability to laugh and communicate, and respectfulness. We were proud of these students for shining Jesus's light and love! Throughout the trip, the group had a blast bonding as a class and were thankful for such a memorable and awesome trip. Here are some quotes from our eighth graders about the trip:

- My biggest take-away from the trip is that God created us in his own image and we are fearfully and wonderfully made. God had a plan for Noah to stay on the ark with his family. I have learned that God created us with a purpose to worship him." -Charley L.
- My biggest take away on the trip was to have faith like Noah. Noah trusted in God so much that he built an ark to save humanity. Noah saved the animals and watched everyone get destroyed, but never lost faith in God." -Addison Z.
- The Ark Encounter taught me how much God cares for us. When I looked at how the world was before the flood versus now, there are a lot of similarities. We do not deserve God's love, but he keeps giving it to us, unconditionally. I learned how we are created in his image and we are beautifully and wonderfully made by our loving Father. -Krista O.
- I really enjoyed going section by section and taking time on all of them. I also enjoyed sharing my thoughts with some of my friends. I learned that many of the animals that were in the ark don't exist anymore. I learned how many types of bugs there are and variations of them. I really enjoyed the museums because I feel like I grew in my friendships and faith. -Morgan N.
- The museums and ark showed me how great God really is because of how great his creation is. The Ark Encounter was my favorite part of the trip because I learned a lot and the whole experience made me really think about Genesis 1-10 more deeply. -Nathaniel S.
- My biggest take away from the Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter was the will and beauty of God. He made a beautiful garden with no sin. He also got rid of all the evil on earth with a horrible flood. It showed me God's true power. -Brianna L.
- My favorite part of the Kentucky trip was bonding with my classmates. I made more friends. God led me to talk to them. He gave me courage to step out and interact with others, include them, and just have someone to talk about the Gospel with. -Kellyn M.
- My favorite part of the Kentucky trip was swimming in the pool and playing at the park in the rain with my friends. -Nathan F.
- The trip was low-key awesome! -Mark V.



APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS

The PTM Flower Sale has begun. Orders can be turned in to the school now through April 25. Flowers will be delivered in time for Mothers' Day and spring planting! See p. 6 for more details.

HELP BLESS A TCS TEACHER BY CLEARING THEIR AMAZON WISH LIST

REENROLL NOW FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

NO SCHOOL 4/18-4/21, GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER MONDAY

VOLUNTEER NATION AT TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



At Trinity Christian School, volunteers are needed daily!

We have lots of exciting activities coming up, but our daily needs remain the same for morning greeter, recess, and lunch. We thank many of you who have gone above and beyond your required volunteer hours to keep serving! For those of you still short on your required volunteer time, keep plugging away. There are still many opportunities to accrue volunteer hours! See the list below to find a volunteer opportunity that works with your schedule.

UPCOMING

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



- Lots of **March Daily Needs**
 - ♡ Morning Greeter: 8-8:30 a.m., open car doors, greet students, and help them enter the building safely
 - ♡ Lunch Helper: 11:15 a.m.-1 p.m., distribute hot lunch orders by grade and classroom, then assist with cleanup
 - ♡ Recess Helper: 11:50 a.m.-1:10 p.m., provide supervision, with Trinity staff, to keep children safe
- **Sports Awards Ceremony**, Thursday, April 24, 1-3 p.m. then 5:30-9:30 p.m.: set up cafetorium in the afternoon; during evening, plate and replenish desserts and drinks, clean up
- **Field Day**, Tuesday, June 3, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., help run various stations and monitor students

If you need to brainstorm ways to meet your volunteer hour family quota, please feel free to email Mrs. Adalys Colianne, Volunteer Coordinator, at acolianne@trinitychristian.info or 815-577-9310, ext. 315.

LOCAL CHURCH EVENTS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Check out cool local church events posted on our community page, including a Family Spring Fling Event. For details on this event and others please visit our school's [website](#).

If your church has an event to share, please reach out to Mrs. Deane Bekermeier, Trinity Christian School's Director of Development, at dbekermeier@trinitychristian.info.



ORDER YOUR PREPACKAGED SCHOOL SUPPLIES TODAY

Tired of crowded stores and overspending? Buy your students' school supplies online! All grade-level school supplies can be ordered with just one click. Buy [online](#) using our school ID: TRI198, and pick up at Jump-Start Night in August! More details provided below.



JOIN US AT CEMENO'S IN THE PARK, THURSDAY, APRIL 17

Bring your family and come support Trinity Christian School by dining in or ordering takeout from the Cemeno's Pizza at the Joliet Park District on Jefferson St., April 17, between 11 a.m. and 9 p.m. Mention you are with Trinity Christian School or show the flyer on p. 4 and they will donate 10% of your total sales back to our school.



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Main Order Deadline: **6/22**

Our School ID:
TRI198

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MAY HOT LUNCH ORDERING IS OPEN NOW

All May hot lunch orders must be placed and paid for by Sunday, April 20 at 11:59 p.m. You can find more information about the hot lunch program at our [website](#).

SHARE WHY YOU LOVE YOUR TCS TEACHERS



FOR A CHANCE TO WIN \$100!

Share what you love about your TCS teachers, and you could win \$100! On May 8, 2025, Shaw Local News Network will publish a special "Thank You, Teachers" edition as a "Thank You" for teachers' selfless service and dedication to our children. The Thank You, Teachers Contest asks current and former students of all ages for nominations of outstanding teachers in their local area. Nominations end April 20. One lucky participant will be selected at random to receive a \$100 Visa gift card. And one lucky teacher will receive \$250 courtesy of Hawk VW! Students can nominate their teachers [here](#). Make sure to include the teacher's full name and the name of our school!



DINE & DONATE

10% GIVE BACK

TRINITY



CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

THURSDAY, APRIL 17TH

CEMENO'S AT THE PARK
3000 W JEFFERSON ST.
JOLIET, IL 60435

DINE-IN & CARRY-OUT 11:00 AM - CLOSE



Mother's Day Flower Sale

Get a gift for mom & decorate your house for summer while supporting our school!

Orders are due April 25 & flowers will be delivered May 6

10" Hanging Baskets & Pots: \$24



Superbell*
Full/Part Sun



Petunia*
Full/Part Sun



Mixed Baskets*
Full/Part Sun



Geranium
Full/Part Sun

Available in red,
pink, or salmon



Citronella
Full/Part Sun

Natural mosquito
repellent



Bridal Veil
Full Shade



Boston Fern
Full Shade



Wandering Jew
Full Shade

Patio Tomato Pots**: \$22



Lantana*
Full Sun



Martha Washington*
Part Sun



Husky Red
Full/Part Sun



Husky Cherry
Full/Part Sun

36 Count Flats: \$22



Petunia
Full/Part Sun



Marigold
Full/Part Sun



Wax Begonia
Full/Part Sun



Zinnia
Full Sun

Mid-height
10"-12" tall



Impatiens
Part Sun

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Pay by check made out to
Trinity Christian School

Questions? Contact Lisa Vugteveen
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*Assorted colors, may be different from picture

**Grow your own tomatoes!

Plants can stay in their pot and are supported by
a wire cage. Just water, fertilize, & enjoy fresh
tomatoes all summer!



Friday, May 9, 2025

Joliet Slammers Stadium

1 Mayor Art Schultz St.
Joliet, IL

Trinity Christian School PTM invites mothers and sons to a fun filled night at The Joliet Slammers Game. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Game begins at 6:35 pm.

Tickets are \$10 per person.

Food Vouchers available to purchase for \$11 which includes (hot dog, chips & drink) .

Please **RSVP** by Friday, April 25, 2025 by the link or QR code.

<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/5V2xlzt6>



Questions Email: PTM@trinitychristian.info

