



Son Times

August 20, 2026

"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, TRINITY FAMILIES
We are SO glad you are here!

TIPS FOR A SMOOTH PICKUP AND DROP OFF

1. Do not leave a lot of space between you and the person in front of you. We had several cars waiting on Shorewood Dr. yesterday, which is not helpful to our neighbors. Please move up as best as you can during arrival and dismissal.
2. When it is possible to have cars two lanes wide, please pull up and use the space wisely, but be cautious of the person next to you on the turns.
3. Have a clearly marked 8x10 card hanging in your window with your child's LAST NAME!
4. If someone other than parents or guardians are picking up on a particular day, be sure they know the guidelines and have a clearly marked last name card in the window. The person picking up also should be an approved contact for your child or please let the front office know ahead of time.
5. **DO NOT** get out of your car for any reason during drop-off or pickup. If you need to adjust seats or seatbelts, please pull forward to a parking space in the parking lot.
6. Please stay off your phones when your car is in motion. That is the **LAW**. Safety concerns and attention to the line is appreciated!
7. You are **NOT** allowed to park and come in to get your child after school, unless prearranged with administration for a valid reason.
8. Please especially **DO NOT PARK on Shorewood Dr.** and walk in to get your child. This is not allowed EVER. Traffic is already an issue; more cars and people in the street is dangerous and not helpful to the flow of traffic.
9. Stagger the time that you arrive to school for dismissal. Once this system gets more fluid, with some practice, it actually is better pulling in at 3:25 p.m., when you may be able to come right to the door and grab your children, rather than wait in line from 3:05-3:20 p.m.

As teachers learn names, and students and parents understand the process, we hope to improve each day in our timing. Our goal is to be done in 15 minutes or less! We know we can do this!

Remember that for **DROP-OFF** in the morning, things are a bit different as **EVERY-ONE** gets dropped off at the front doors of the main building. Enter the south parking lot entrance, follow the "snake" pattern without cutting lanes and keeping two side-by-side lanes. Once your car reaches the front lane, near the building, the outside lane is for 3rd grade and up **ONLY**; while younger kids, K-2nd grade, should be dropped off on the inside lane along the building. Anyone can use the inside lane, so if it is open use it! Please refer to the maps that were included in your Jump-Start Night packets. We will have individuals outside helping direct traffic flow, as well as volunteers opening car doors for your children. Please be patient and follow the instructions. Thank you for helping make this process run smoothly.

**Kindergarten - 8th
Grade Calendar:**
Aug. 20-28

Aug. 25
HOME Soccer Games
A Team 4:15 p.m.
B Team 5:30 p.m.
HOME Girls' Volleyball
Games 4:15 p.m. and
5:15 p.m.

Aug. 26
No Chapel
PK Meet the Teacher
8th Grade Retreat

Aug. 27
PK Meet the Teacher
8th Grade Retreat

Important Dates

Sept. 3
Curriculum Night

Sept. 7
Labor Day
No School

Sept. 15
School Board Meeting



SAVE THE DATE! CURRICULUM NIGHT IS SEPT. 3 AT 6:30 P.M.



HANDBOOK QR CODE NOT WORKING?

Every Trinity family should have received a packet with information at Jump-Start Night. One of the forms was a QR code for the Parent/Student Handbook. Unfortunately, the QR code did not work correctly. Please make note that our Parent/Student Handbook is available online. It is an important resource for all of our families. Please use this link to access it: https://www.trinitychristian.info/Parent_Student_Handbook_2026-2027_FINAL_4.pdf. The handbook is always available at Trinity's website in the Parent Resources section, accessible by clicking the icon on the top right that looks like a person. Thank you!

ATHLETIC FORMS DUE AND FREE PHYSICAL EXAMS

For 5-8 grade athletes, TCS Athletic and Physical forms are due at the beginning of the year, No matter if you are playing sports now or later in this school year! Please turn those into the office A.S.A.P!

We are excited to share that free sports physicals will once again be offered this year! A huge thank you to Dr. Fred Alexander for volunteering his time to make this possible. Dr. Alexander is a TCS parent alum and served as our Board President for decades before recently retiring from that role. He has generously helped us with sports physicals for many years, and we are so grateful for his continued support!

At TCS, every student must have a completed sports physical and athletic form on file in order to participate in any sport. If your child is planning to play sports this year, we encourage you to take advantage of this free opportunity. **All 6th graders should already have had a physical completed** **Physicals are Monday, Aug. 24, 4-6 p.m. at TCS.** The sports physical form can be found online. Please print, fill out, and sign the form, and have your child bring it with them to the exam. This step is very important—students cannot be seen without the completed form. If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Deeter, Athletic Director, at (mdeeter@trinitychristian.info)

LATE ARRIVAL TO SCHOOL?

If your K-8 student arrives to school after 8:30 a.m., please park your car and walk the child into the building. Bring your child to the front office, where he or she will be issued a pass, and you can sign them into the sign-in log. For your child's safety, **please refrain** from dropping him or her off at the front door and driving away. Also, once preschool students are in attendance, after Labor Day, please do not drop your child off via the preschool line. Preschool drop-off begins promptly at 8:30 a.m. Thank you for your attention and cooperation in this matter.



BUILDING SAFETY WHEN VISITING TCS

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 (volunteer sticker or a clip-on badge) lets everyone 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 visiting, please stay where you are scheduled to visit and refrain from visiting classrooms or other parts of the building.

When dropping off student items, you will leave them in the front office and the staff will make sure your child receives it. The front office is open Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Thank you for helping to keep our school safe!

REPORT ABSENCES TO THE FRONT OFFICE

If your child is going to be absent for the day for any reason, please let the front office know by **9 a.m.** Call 815-577-9310, ext. 327, or email attendance@trinitychristian.info. Please state the **child's name**, **classroom teacher**, and **reason for the absence**. If your child is sick please include the **symptoms he or she is experiencing** (ex. fever, vomiting, cough, etc.). Be sure to see the [Parent/Student Handbook](#) for all details about student absences.

HOT LUNCH ORDERING OPEN FOR SEPTEMBER

Families are able to purchase hot lunch for September. Ordering closes Friday, Aug. 28. This is a firm deadline. Orders are placed through your FACTS Family Portal. Menus are found on the website.



HOT LUNCH PROGRAM INSTRUCTIONS

Fri	Hot lunch ordering for September is open now, and closes Aug. 28. Instructions for placing an order:
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A - Cheese Pizza, Chips (\$5.90)	1. Log into your Family Portal and select "Student"
A+ - Extra Cheese Pizza (slice) (\$2.00)	2. Select "Lunch." Find your student and click "Create Web Order."
C - Sausage Pizza, chips (\$5.90)	3. Use the drop-down menu to select items you wish to purchase
C+ - Extra Sausage Pizza (slice) (\$2.00)	4. Make sure to submit the order AND pay. Paid orders appear in blue . Red items need immediate attention, as your payment was not processed. Any items in red will not be ordered.
B - Pepperoni Pizza, chips (x1) (\$5.90)	Instructions for printing a placed order:
B+ - Extra Pepperoni Pizza (slice) (x1) (\$2.00)	1. Log into your Family Portal and select "Student"
	2. Select "Lunch."
	3. To print an entire month of orders, select the date range from the right side of the screen. All confirmed, paid orders are in the color BLUE . Note: When printing at home, select the color option so the blue orders show when the job is printed.



STUDENT 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.

ORDER STUDENT TCS WALK-A-THON T-SHIRTS!

It's time to order your student's **FREE Walk-a-Thon T-shirt**. This shirt will be worn during our Walk-a-Thon and throughout the school year for class color days and select field trips.

Please place your student's shirt order by using the link below:

Walk-a-Thon T-Shirt Order Form: <https://shirts.tcswalkathon.com/>

Every student is required to have a Walk-a-Thon shirt, and the best part is that it's **completely FREE!**

Thank you for placing your order as soon as possible. **Ordering closes Aug. 31.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at acolianne@trinitychristian.info.

TRINITY'S FIRST CHAPEL IS SEPT. 2, AT 8:40 A.M.
PARENTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

BAND PROGRAM RESUMES AT TRINITY

We are excited that our band program is back. Our recruitment program begins with an instrument demonstration concert followed by fittings as described below. No experience is necessary to join. Students are eligible for band beginning in fourth grade.

Demonstration Concert: Monday, Aug. 24, 9:30 – 10 a.m.

The demonstration concert includes a half hour assembly performance by a professional trio for all students in fourth and fifth grades. Interested older students may also be invited.



Fittings: Wednesday, Aug. 26, 10 – 11:30 a.m.

All students in fourth and fifth grades will have the opportunity to try a few instruments to determine their interests, natural ability, and match his or her interests to an appropriate instrument. This process is done one classroom at a time with each classroom taking about 25-30 minutes.

Information about the registration process will be sent home following each event. Registration is completed online. Band classes begin the week of Sept. 21.



PICK UP FREE UNIFORMS AT THE 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!



2026-2027 TCS SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Become a TCS sponsor because local sponsorship is good for business!

TCS business partners have the opportunity to invest in education in our community, through Trinity's Sponsorship Program. Sponsors at every level receive **both** General Benefits **and** Event Benefits. It is our honor to share and highlight your business and your dedication to education with our expansive audience of current families, alumni, and community members. Please share our sponsorship program with the businesses that you patronize.

Additional information is available on p. 6-8 and also located on the school website at <https://www.trinitychristian.info/about/sponsors.cfm>. ****Walk-a-Thon Spoiler Alert**** A premium prize is given to every family that brings in a **NEW** Sponsor to TCS this school year!

Note: Deadline to include a sponsor on the Walk-a-Thon shirts is Sept. 8. If you would like to learn more about our sponsorship program, please contact Mrs. Deanne Bekermeier, Co-Director of Development, at dbekermeier@trinitychristian.info.



At Trinity Christian School, volunteers are needed every day! Check out our **EVERYDAY VOLUNTEER NEEDS** below! It is vital that we fill these everyday positions, as soon as possible, to be sure each school morning is off to a warm and friendly start; hot lunches are served efficiently; and to create a relaxing, fun, and safe environment for students and teachers during recess. PLEASE see what is available and contact Mrs. Adalys Colianne directly if you'd like to serve or for any additional details. Please note that these opportunities are on a first-come, first-served basis!

WE SEEK VOLUNTEERS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK: AUGUST 24-28. PLEASE CHECK YOUR CALENDARS AND RESPOND DIRECTLY TO MRS. COLIANNE TO GET YOUR DATES LOCKED IN!

LUNCH HELPER: Four helpers needed daily, 11:15 a.m.-1 p.m. Distribute hot lunch orders by grade and classroom, then assist with cleanup.

Monday, Aug. 24: 1 volunteer needed

Thursday, Aug. 27: 2 volunteers needed

Tuesday, Aug. 25: 2 volunteers needed

Wednesday, Aug. 26: 2 volunteers needed

RECESS HELPER: Every day, 11:50 a.m.-1:10 p.m. Provide supervision, with Trinity staff, to keep children safe during their playtime.

Monday, Aug. 24: 3 volunteer needed

Thursday, Aug. 27: 3 volunteers needed

Tuesday, Aug. 25: 4 volunteers needed

Thursday, Aug. 28: 1 volunteer needed

Wednesday, Aug. 26: 3 volunteers needed

Please contact Mrs. Colianne at acolianne@trinitychristian.info or 815-577-9310, ext. 315, as soon as possible if interested and available.

As always thank you for your willingness to serve!

DOWNLOAD THE REMIND APP FOR VOLUNTEER COMMUNICATIONS

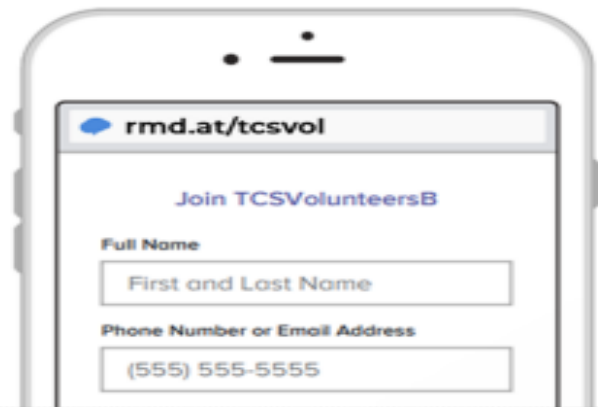
Pick a way to receive messages for TCSVolunteersB:

A If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

rmd.at/tcsvol

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



B If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message **@tcsvol** to the number **81010**.

If you're having trouble with **81010**, try texting **@tcsvol** to **(815) 668-8664**.

* Standard text message rates apply.





Trinity Christian School, serving western suburbs for over 33 years, invites business partners to support education through our Sponsorship Program. Sponsors receive General and Event Benefits, gaining recognition among our families, alumni, and community.

2026 - 2027 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

DIAMOND SPONSOR- \$10,000+

- Opportunity to speak at Walk-a-Thon or Benefit Event
- Limited annual social media highlights
- Press releases to parents
- Plus all Platinum benefits

PLATINUM SPONSOR- \$5,000

- Full-page ad in spring musical program
- Sponsor Spotlight on Facebook & Instagram
- Quarterly promo flyers to families
- 4-week website banner ad
- Year-round Platinum sponsor gym sign

GOLD SPONSOR- \$2,500

- Half-page ad in spring musical program
- Sponsor Spotlight on Facebook & Instagram
- Three promo flyers to families annually
- 3-week website banner ad
- Year-round Gold sponsor listing on gym sign

SILVER SPONSOR- \$1,000

- Quarter-page ad in spring musical program
- Sponsor Spotlight on Facebook & Instagram
- Two promo flyers to families yearly
- 2-week website banner ad
- Year-round Silver sponsor listing on gym sign

BRONZE SPONSOR- \$500

- Business name listed in spring musical program
- Sponsor Spotlight on Facebook & Instagram
- One promo flyer to families yearly
- One week website banner ad
- Year-round Bronze sponsor listing on gym sign



Contact Deanne Bekermeier: dbekermeier@trinitychristian.info or (815) 577-9310 x 326
 Gabby Shanahan: gshanahan@trinitychristian.info or (815) 577-9310 X 353

Event Sponsorship Benefits



Diamond Sponsor- \$10,000+

Walk-A-Thon

- Top name display at event & on T-shirt
- Thank You posts (Facebook & TCS website)
- Opportunity for event booth
- Opportunity to speak

Craft and Vendor Fair

- Name display at event and in Shopper's Guide
- Recognition in Thank You posts
- Opportunity for event booth

Platinum Sponsor- \$5,000

Walk-A-Thon

- Name display at event & on T-shirt
- Thank You posts (Facebook & TCS website)
- Opportunity for event booth

Craft and Vendor Fair

- Name display at event and in Shopper's Guide
- Recognition in Thank You posts

Benefit Dinner

- Full-page program ad
- 8 complimentary tickets with priority seating
- Name display at event, in program, and on auction site
- Recognition in Thank You posts

Silver Sponsor- \$1,000

Walk-a-thon

- Name display at event & on T-shirt
- Thank You posts on social media

Benefit Dinner

- Quarter-page program ad
- Name display at event, in program, and on auction site
- Recognition in Thank You posts
- 4 complimentary tickets to the event

Christmas Craft & Vendor Fair

- Name display at event and in Shopper's Guide
- Recognition in Thank You posts

Benefit Dinner

- 2-page center fold program ad
- 1 (10 guests) complimentary table at event
- Top name placement at event, in program, and on auction site
- Recognition in Thank You posts

Gold Sponsor- \$2,500

Walk-A-Thon

- Name display at event & on T-shirt
- Thank You posts (Facebook & TCS website)
- Opportunity for event booth

Craft and Vendor Fair

- Name display at event and in Shopper's Guide
- Recognition in Thank You posts

Benefit Dinner

- Half-page program ad
- 6 complimentary tickets with priority seating
- Name display at event, in program, and on auction site
- Recognition in Thank You posts

Bronze Sponsor- \$500

Walk-a-thon

- Name displayed at event & on T-shirt
- Thank You posts (Facebook & TCS website)

Benefit Dinner

- One-Eighth page program ad
- Name displayed at event, in program, and on auction site
- Thank You posts
- 2 complimentary tickets to the event

Christmas Craft & Vendor Fair

- Name displayed at event and in Shopper's Guide
- Thank You posts

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SPONSORSHIP FORM

SPONSOR NAME: _____

CONTACT PERSON OR DEPT: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

Sponsorship

☐ **Platinum Sponsor**

Sponsorship of \$5,000 or more

☐ **Gold Sponsor**

Sponsorship of \$2,500 or more

☐ **Silver Sponsor**

Sponsorship of \$1,000 or more

☐ **Bronze Sponsor**

Sponsorship of \$500 or more

1. Sponsorship payment options:

- ☐ I have enclosed a check payable to Trinity Christian School.
- ☐ I will send a check for the full amount within 30 days.
- ☐ I will pay half of my sponsorship within 30 days and the remaining half within 90 days.

2. Please indicate below exactly how you would like your business name to appear:

3. Please email your company logo in .jpeg or .pdf format to development@trinitychristian.info.

4. My business website address is:

Placement of your business name is at the discretion of the event committees. Sponsor accepts full responsibility for the contents of its artwork and holds Trinity free and clear from any claims, liability, demands or damages arising out of the selected advertising. Please make checks payable to **Trinity Christian School**.

Sponsor's Signature

Date

Please send this form to:
Trinity Christian School
c/o Development
901 Shorewood Dr., Shorewood, IL 60404
Phone: 815-577-9310
development@trinitychristian.info