



# Son Times

August 7, 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)**

## LOOK FOR POSTCARDS IN THE MAIL



Keep an eye out for at least two postcards that should arrive soon! One postcard is for Jump-Start Night, Aug. 18. The other, often-anticipated postcard, is one to each student from his or her teacher. Eighth grade students receive letters rather than postcards. All of these were mailed out Aug. 6, and should reach you in a few days. We are excited for you to get them in the mail.

## GET A JUMP-START ON THE SCHOOL YEAR!

Jump-Start Night is Aug. 18, 3-6 p.m. Please Join us at Trinity as we **JUMP** back into school. It will be a time filled with information and activity, a time to connect with teachers and students, plus lots of **FUN!** Our Parent-Teacher Ministry is providing free hot dogs, chips, and water. We can't wait to see you!



## NEW HOT LUNCH PROGRAM STARTING

We are excited to announce some changes to the hot lunch program this year. Mrs. Lisa Nash is the new hot lunch coordinator, and we will utilize a different program for ordering. Families will be able to order from the September [menu](#) soon. Details about the new program will be emailed to families when it is ready.



## REENROLL FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

Still haven't enrolled for the coming school year? There is no time like the present! Complete reenrollment to secure your student's place in class. This also helps us plan for the next school year. And now that we have begun continuous enrollment, this will be the last time you have to reenroll your student, as he or she will stay enrolled through eighth grade graduation.

Just log into your Family Portal in FACTS to get started. Once there, select **Apply/Enroll** from the left side. Then, for current students, select **Enrollment/Reenrollment**. If you are adding a **new** student, click **Application** for that student. When applying for a new student, be sure to select **Current Family K-8 New Student Application, 2025-2026** and select the grade the child is entering. Use [this link](#) to access your Family Portal. Remember, the District Code for our school is **TRINC-IL**.

If you need any help, contact Mrs. Ellen Rasmussen, Trinity's Administrative Assistant and Registrar, at [erasmussen@trinitychristian.info](mailto:erasmussen@trinitychristian.info), or at 815-577-9310, ext. 300. We're looking forward to having your child back in class for the coming year!

Be sure to refer your friends and family members to our school if they have school-aged children. They may contact us at the information above.

### Kindergarten - 8th Grade Calendar:

#### August

#### Aug. 18

All Staff In-Service  
 Office Opens at 1 p.m.  
 Jump-Start Night 3-6 p.m.

#### Aug. 20

First Day of School  
 11:45 a.m. Dismissal

#### Aug. 27

No Chapel  
 PK Meet the Teacher  
 Eighth Grade Retreat

#### Aug. 28

PK Meet the Teacher  
 Eighth Grade Retreat



### Important Dates

#### Sept. 1

Labor Day  
 No School

#### Sept. 2

PK First Day of School

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

We're so excited to be planning our biggest event of the year, the **Walk-a-Thon**!

To get your student's **FREE** Walk-a-Thon t-shirt, please follow this link to place your order: <https://forms.office.com/r/FdveYFx3LK>

**All orders are due Tuesday, Aug. 26. Each student is required to submit a t-shirt order.**

These shirts will be worn not only at the Walk-a-Thon, but also throughout the year during field trips, Spirit Week, and Field Day, so don't miss out!

You'll also have the opportunity to order your student's shirt at **Jump-Start Night**, Aug. 18, if you haven't done so online. Adult shirts will be available to order at a later date and will require payment.

If you have any questions, feel free to email us at [Walkathon@trinitychristian.info](mailto:Walkathon@trinitychristian.info). We can't wait for this fun and meaningful event, thank you for helping us get ready!

## 2025-2026 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 will 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. 5-7 of this newsletter, 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 Aug. 29.** If you would like to learn more about our sponsorship program, please contact Mrs. Deanne Bekermeier, Director of Development at [dbekermeier@trinitychristian.info](mailto:dbekermeier@trinitychristian.info).

## REQUIRED MEDICAL FORMS

All students entering **kindergarten** or **sixth grade**, and **transfer students** must have a physical exam form completed and **ready to turn in by JUMP-START NIGHT, August 18**, if it has not already been submitted.

**Immunizations:** State law requires that all students entering school be immunized against polio, diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (Tdap), measles, mumps, rubella, Hepatitis B (for 6th grade), and varicella (chicken pox). Also, students entering sixth grade are required to have a meningococcal conjugate vaccination (MCV4). **Sixth graders must show proof of one dose of MCV4.** Proof of immunity is verified by documented evidence from the student's health care provider of the student having received the vaccine or of having had the disease. **State law provides that students who do not meet these requirements be excluded from school.**

**Religious Exemptions:** According to Illinois Public Act 099-0249, families with religious objections must submit a completed Certificate of Religious Exemption for each student. The certificate must also be signed by the child's health care provider responsible for performing the child's examination for entry into kindergarten and sixth grade. This signature affirms that the provider educated the parent or legal guardian about the benefits of immunization and the health risks to the student and to the community from the communicable diseases for which immunization is required in Illinois.

The religious objection provided need not be directed by the tenets of an established religious organization. However, general philosophical or moral reluctance to allow physical examinations, eye examinations, immunizations, vision and hearing screening or dental examinations will not provide a sufficient basis for an exception to statutory requirements.

Please be aware that students who have not been immunized will be excluded from school for a period of time, determined by the state, if they have been exposed to some of these diseases.

### **Key Points:**

All **kindergarten**, **sixth grade** and **transfer students** shall have their physical exam completed and turned in by Jump-Start Night. Please fill out the "History" section on the top of the second page prior to coming.

**To be in compliance with state law, students who do not have proper immunizations or health exam forms completed prior to the first day of school, will not be allowed to begin school until the form is completed.**



## TCS INTRODUCES A NEW BAND PROGRAM

We're excited to announce that Music Education Services is conducting a band program for fourth through eighth grade students this school year! Music Education Services offers a comprehensive and engaging music education experience. A demonstration concert is planned Tuesday, Aug. 27, for the students. Please see the flyer on p. 4.

## THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL IS AUGUST 20!

Is the first day of school exciting for your family? Or perhaps you might feel a bit sad as your son or daughter is growing up? Whether you boo-hoo or yahoo, come join Trinity's Parent-Teacher Ministry for a light breakfast in the cafetorium after you drop your kids off on the first day of school, Aug. 20.

Did you know you are welcome to walk your child(ren) to class on the first day of school? That's right! You can walk your student(s) to their classroom, take a photo or two and give them a hug for a great start to a new year. And please remember dismissal is at 11:45 a.m. that day. It's going to be a wonderful school year!

## 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!

## PRESCHOOL MEET-THE-TEACHER

Preschool meet-the-teacher information was emailed out July 9. If you didn't receive that email, please email Mrs. Amy Boutte, Preschool Director, at [aboutte@trinitychristian.info](mailto:aboutte@trinitychristian.info).



## Trinity Christian School Employment Opportunities

Know someone who would love to join our family and support the mission of Trinity Christian School? We are expanding, and anticipate the career opportunities listed below for the 2025-2026 school year. For more information and a full job description, please follow the link [here](#) to our employment page. If you are interested, please complete the appropriate application and e-mail to Mr. Jon Vugteveen at [jvugteveen@trinitychristian.info](mailto:jvugteveen@trinitychristian.info), or via mail to:

**Trinity Christian School Attn: Mr. Jon Vugteveen, 901 Shorewood Dr., Shorewood, IL 60404.**

### Substitute Teachers

We seek substitute teachers for the 2025-2026 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 certification 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.

## 🎵 New Band Program for 4th–8th Grade Students 🎵

We're excited to announce that **Music Education Services** is conducting our band program for fourth through eighth grade **students**, starting this school year! Music Education Services offers a comprehensive and engaging music education experience, with over **35 years of experience** and partnerships with **more than 70 schools**.

### **Program Features:**

**Two 40/45-minute group lessons per week**

One lesson **during the school day (Monday or Wednesday)**

One lesson **after school (Monday or Wednesday)**

**Instrument rentals** available through the program

Taught by **state-licensed, dedicated music educators**

Over **1,200 students enrolled** in Fall 2024

An impressive **85% student retention rate**

**Progress reports emailed to parents twice a year**

**Weekly practice records** encouraged to be signed by parents

**Online registration** for convenience

**Recruitment Program:** Music Education Services uses a thoughtful two-step process to help students find the right instrument:

### 🎵 **Demonstration Concert**

📅 **Tuesday, August 27**

🕒 **9:30 a.m.**

📍 **Cafetorium**

Students will hear and learn about the different band instruments.

### 🎵 **Fitting/Trial Session**

📅 **Tuesday, September 2**

🕒 **10:00–11:30 a.m.**

📍 **TCS**

Each student will have the opportunity to try a few instruments to discover their interests, natural ability, and best physical match.

**Program Cost:** The annual tuition is **\$756.00**, which can be paid in **9 monthly installments of \$84.00**, just **\$12.00 per lesson** for high-quality music instruction.

We're thrilled to offer this enriching opportunity and look forward to a fantastic year of music-making!

[Music Education Services | Music & Arts](#)





## **TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

### **2025-2026 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

Trinity Christian School is proud to serve families in the western suburbs. Trinity is celebrating over 32 years of excellence in education. Our business partners have the opportunity to invest in education in our community through Trinity's Sponsorship Program. Sponsors at every level will 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.

#### **General Sponsor Benefits**

##### **Platinum Level: \$5,000 or more**

- Full page ad in yearbook
- Full page ad in spring musical program
- Highest Priority Sponsor Spotlight Post on Facebook and Instagram
- Opportunity to send a flyer or promotional offer to families four times per year
- Opportunity for advertising space on the scrolling banner on our website four weeks of the year.
- Platinum Level listing on sponsor sign in TCS gym year round

##### **Silver Level: \$1,000 or more**

- Quarter page ad in yearbook
- Quarter page ad in spring musical program
- Prominent Sponsor Spotlight Post on Facebook and Instagram
- Opportunity to send a flyer or promotional offer to families two times per year
- Opportunity for advertising space on the scrolling banner on our website two weeks of the year.
- Silver Level listing on sponsor sign in TCS gym year round

##### **Gold Level: \$2,500 or more**

- Half page ad in yearbook
- Half page ad in spring musical program
- Priority Sponsor Spotlight Post on Facebook and Instagram
- Opportunity to send a flyer or promotional offer to families three times per year
- Opportunity for advertising space on the scrolling banner on our website three weeks of the year.
- Gold Level listing on sponsor sign in TCS gym year round

##### **Bronze Level: \$500 or more**

- Business name listed in yearbook
- Business name listed in spring musical program
- Sponsor Spotlight Post on Facebook and Instagram
- Opportunity to send a flyer or promotional offer to families one time per year
- Opportunity for advertising space on the scrolling banner on our website one week of the year.
- Bronze Level listing on sponsor sign in TCS gym year round

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## **Event Sponsorship Benefits**

### **Gold Level: \$5,000 or more**

#### **Walk-a-thon**

- Name most prominently displayed at Walk
- Name most prominently listed in Thank You post on Facebook and TCS website
- Name most prominently listed on event T-shirt
- Opportunity for booth at the Walk

#### **Benefit Dinner**

- Full-page ad in program
- 4 tickets to event with priority seating
- Name most prominently displayed at Benefit Dinner
- Name most prominently listed in program
- Most Prominently Recognized on the Silent Auction Site
- Name listed in Thank You articles on Facebook & TCS website

#### **Christmas Craft & Vendor Fair**

- Name prominently displayed at Fair
- Name & Logo in Shopper's Guide
- Name prominently listed in Thank You articles on Facebook & TCS website

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- Name prominently displayed at Walk
- Name prominently listed in Thank You post on Facebook and TCS website
- Name prominently listed on event T-shirt

#### **Benefit Dinner**

- Name prominently displayed at Benefit Dinner
- Name prominently listed in program
- Prominently Recognized on the Silent Auction Site
- Name listed in Thank You articles on Facebook & TCS website

#### **Christmas Craft & Vendor Fair**

- Name prominently displayed at Fair
- Name & Logo in Shopper's Guide
- Name prominently listed in Thank You articles on Facebook & TCS website

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#### **Walk-a-thon**

- Name more prominently displayed at Walk
- Name more prominently listed in Thank You post on Facebook and TCS website
- Name more prominently listed on event T-shirt
- Opportunity for booth at the Walk

#### **Benefit Dinner**

- Half-page ad in program
- 2 tickets to event with priority seating
- Name prominently displayed at Benefit Dinner
- Name prominently listed in program
- Prominently Recognized on the Silent Auction Site
- Name listed in Thank You articles on Facebook & TCS website

#### **Christmas Craft & Vendor Fair**

- Name prominently displayed at Fair
- Name & Logo in Shopper's Guide
- Name prominently listed in Thank You articles on Facebook & TCS website

### **Bronze Level: \$500 or more**

#### **Walk-a-thon**

- Name displayed at Walk
- Name listed in Thank You post on Facebook and TCS website
- Name on the back of the event T-shirt

#### **Benefit Dinner**

- Name displayed at Benefit Dinner
- Name in Benefit Dinner program
- Recognized on the Silent Auction Site
- Name listed in Thank You articles on Facebook & TCS website

#### **Christmas Craft & Vendor Fair**

- Name displayed at Fair
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## SPONSORSHIP FORM

SPONSOR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON OR DEPT: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

## *Sponsorship*

☐ **Platinum Sponsor**

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☐ **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](mailto:development@trinitychristian.info).

4. My business website address is:

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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**  
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**Phone: 815-577-9310**  
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