

Trinity Christian School

Academic Excellence Christ Centered Family Focused



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March 7, 2024

"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)

TCS SCORES SECOND PLACE OVERALL IN THE 2024 MID HIGH MATH COMPETITION

Trinity Christian School's seventh and eighth grade students competed at Joliet West High School's 2024 Mu Alpha Theta Mid High Math Competition, Feb. 29. Many schools participated in this year's event, including public and private schools. Students were tested in categories that focused on both algebra and geometry. Trinity's team consisted of 20 seventh and eighth graders, combined. Every one of them worked hard to prepare and practice for this challenging competition. We are extremely proud of all of their accomplishments, as they not only placed second overall, but also placed in many different categories. They have much to be proud of! The team's achievements included:

- 7th grade took 2nd place in the Quadratics category.
- ◆ 7th grade took 2nd place in the Quadrants category.
- 7th grade took 2nd place in the group competition.
- 8th grade took 1st place in the Trigonometry category.
- 8th grade took 3rd place in the group competition.

7th and 8th grade, together, took 2nd place overall in the competition!



7th Grade Participants: Catherine B., Aubrey C., Charley L., Kellyn M., Ashley P., Nathaniel S., Jesse V., and Cayden V.

8th Grade Participants: Anna A., Addison B., Nathan D., Ryne D., Alaina D., Shelby F., Brooklyn H., Brianna M., Faye N., Avery O., Amber R., and Leah S.

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Kindergarten - 8th Grade Calendar: March 7-15

March 8-9 ICC 5/6 and 7/8 Girls' Basketball Tournament at TCS

> March 13 Chapel 8:40 a.m.

> > March 14 Pi Day

March 15 Third Quarter Ends 11:45 a.m. Dismissal School Improvement Benefit Event 6 p.m.

Important Dates:

March 19 School Board Meeting

March 25-April I Spring and Easter Break

Remember, clocks go forward one hour March 10 at 2 a.m.



CHAPEL NOTES I, BY KELLYN M., GUEST CONTRIBUTOR TO THE SON TIMES

Date: Feb. 26 Guest Speakers: Cheryl and Jenny from Cup of Cold Water Ministry

Verses: Mark 16:15, Romans 10:14-15, Acts 1:8

We are all one big team working for one big goal. This goal is to spread the word of Jesus to the world. Anybody can be a missionary. God calls us to take his good news to your friends, your neighbors, and even your enemies. We can share God's word with everyone, to the ends of the Earth. There are three places we are called to share the word. Locally, statewide, and world missions. In some countries, being a Christian can bring harm to yourself, your family, or others who listen to you speak. Secret churches are used to help spread the word in places that do not accept Christians. We should ask God, "What do you have in store for me?" and we should not push away his answer. If God is calling you to missions, do not suppress that feeling.

CHAPEL NOTES II, BY STEVE H., GUEST CONTRIBUTOR TO THE SON TIMES

Date: Feb. 27 Guest Speaker: Pastor Nate Ferguson Verse: Mark 16:15

We are consumed by our focus on "self" when we should focus on helping others in need. You are the light of the world, and you should not hide that light. You cannot hide in a city when all the lights are on. Let your light shine before others so that they may see your good deeds and glorify the father.

ICC GIRLS' BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Trinity hosts the ICC Girls' Basketball Tournament Friday, **March 8**, and Saturday, **March 9**. The 5th/6th team plays tomorrow at 4 p.m. and the 7th/8th team plays Saturday at 10 a.m. Check out the tournament brackets on p.5. Come support our girls' basketball teams if you are able to!

GO EAGLES!

STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN PI DAY, MARCH 14

Trinity Christian School is celebrating Pi Day Thursday, March 14, 8:30-11:30 a.m., as a whole school. Middle school students will "host" the kindergarten through fifth grade students through many circular fun activities.

Our day begins with the annual "pi"e in the face. Tickets for "pi"e in the face can be purchased through **Tuesday**, **March 12**. Students may stop in the front foyer as they arrive to school to purchase tickets for **25¢ each**. Tickets will be sold in the <u>morning only</u>.

Each ticket purchased is one chance to throw a pie in the face of their favorite staff member and/or eighth grade student. The face of each staff member and student get-ting pied will be on the outside of the container. When a student purchases a ticket, their name is written on the ticket and dropped into the container of their choice. On the day of the event, a name will be pulled from the container for the opportunity to pie that specific staff member or student.

Six eighth graders will be chosen to be pied in the face. Sixth and seventh graders are also in a competition to see which two students can raise the most tickets so they can be pied in the face. Students may wear **dress-down day bottoms and a** <u>Pi-Day shirt</u> from this year or previous years. If students **do not** have a Pi-Day shirt, then they **must** wear their normal school uniform. If your child ordered a Pi-Day t-shirt, they will receive it before Pi-Day occurs. After our assembly, students will participate in some fun Pi-Day activities in the middle school classrooms with fun, tasty Pi-Day treats that parents are welcome to donate. We are also looking for volunteers to help run this event. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas at <u>tthomas@trinitychristian.info</u>. Thank you!

WE NEED ROUND SNACKS FOR PI DAY

Pi Day is March 14. We want to make sure we have enough snacks for everyone and we need your help! If you are able to donate any **round** treats, please send them in labeled "Pi Day" **by March 12.** We will also accept monetary donations to help purchase supplies for the day. Please send any such donations in an envelope marked "Pi Day" **by March 12. To sign up, please click** <u>here</u>.



BENEFIT EVENT: GOLDEN TICKET

This year we have an exciting new wildcard in our Live Auction: The Golden Ticket! Those who <u>purchase a Golden</u> <u>Ticket</u> will have a chance to be chosen at the beginning of the Live Auction to select any of the Golden Ticket Eligible baskets as their prize! Check out the <u>Live Auction Preview</u> to see the contents of each basket and which ones are Golden Ticket Eligible.

Thank you for all the auction donations from our local businesses and TCS families! We are truly appreciative and very blessed to have such amazing people with generous hearts in our community.

We are excited about our upcoming Benefit Event next week, as this is one of the biggest fundraising events of our school! If you are planning to attend, but have not R.S.V.P.'d please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas directly at 815-577-9310, ext. 315, or <u>tthomas@trinitychristian.info</u>, as soon as possible, to help ensure that all guests are included in our numbers to the venue.



At Trinity Christian School, volunteers are needed daily! Check out our **EVERYDAY VOLUNTEER NEEDS** below! It is vital that we fill these daily positions 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. Toya Thomas directly if you'd like to serve or for

any additional details. Please note: these opportunities are on a first-come, first-served basis.

WE SEEK VOLUNTEERS FOR: MARCH 11-22. PLEASE CHECK YOUR CALANDERS AND RESPOND DIRECTLY TO MRS. TOYA THOMAS TO GET YOUR DATES LOCKED IN!

MORNING GREETER: Three helpers daily, 8:10-8:30 a.m. Open car doors, greet students, and help them enter the building safely.

Monday 03/11: 2 volunteers needed Tuesday 03/12: 2 volunteers needed Wednesday 03/13: 2 volunteers needed Thursday 03/14: 2 volunteers needed Friday 03/15: 2 volunteers needed Friday 03/15: 2 volunteers needed Friday 03/22: 2 volunteers needed Friday 03/22: 2 volunteers needed

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

Monday 03/11: 2 volunteers needed Tuesday 03/12: 2 volunteers needed Wednesday 03/13: 4 volunteers needed Thursday 03/14: 2 volunteers needed Friday 03/15: Early dismissal Friday 03/22: 4 volunteers needed Friday 03/20: 4 volunteers needed

<u>RECESS HELPER:</u> Four helpers daily, 11:50 a.m.-1:10 p.m. Help Trinity staff to keep children safe during their

playtime. Monday 03/11: 4 volunteers needed Tuesday 03/12: 4 volunteers needed Wednesday 03/13: 4 volunteers needed Thursday 03/14: 4 volunteers needed Friday 03/15: Early dismissal Friday 03/22: 4 volunteers needed Friday 03/22: 4 volunteers needed

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As always thank you for your willingness to serve!



CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

SPREAD THE WORD! TCS OPEN HOUSE, MARCH 19

Word of mouth is the best advertisement, and we need your help to spread the word about our upcoming Open House, March 19. Please pray about who you will invite and believe with us that the Lord will draw others to Trinity. Be sure to share our advertisements on social media and make it personal by adding a few words about why you love Trinity. Thank you so much for your support! See p. 8 for more details.

ORDER APRIL HOT LUNCH NOW THROUGH MARCH 19

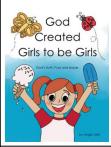
"LOOK OUT FOR THE LEFT OUT" COMES TO TCS

A wonderful couple, Ben and Crystal Wood from Northern Indiana, will be here to speak to our children, March 19, about kindness and provide a presentation for our school entitled "Look Out for the Left Out." This couple lost their sweet third grade daughter to cancer a few years ago. They want to carry on a mission that their daughter shared when she was on this earth, focused on including all and loving



all. This couple (like their daughter) have a huge heart for Jesus and have been visiting many schools in the past year. While they have mostly been visiting public schools, they are excited to come to a Christian school where they can freely talk about Jesus. Ben Woods is a former pastor, and his wife has played a major part in ministry, as well. We are trusting God's timing in this opportunity for our students and school and believe that God can do a lot through their message!

A SECOND RELEASE BY ONE OF OUR TEACHERS



Our very own first grade teacher, Mrs. Angie Jolly, has recently released her second book entitled "God Created Girls to be Girls". This story utilizes early phonetic skills and commonly used high-frequency words that support beginning readers. It leads the reader to discover God's truth about her identity, which is a gift from God at birth. There is a sample copy in the office for you to take a look at, a copy in the library for your child to check out, and it can also be ordered here. This is an awesome accomplishment and we are very proud of her. Congratulations Mrs. Jolly!

BLESS A TEACHER BY CLEARING THEIR WISHLIST

This year we would like to give families the opportunity to start blessing our teachers now through the new Giving Tree Link, instead of waiting to do so at the benefit event. Please feel free to get a head start here. We look forward to seeing you at the Benefit Event!



PLEASE REPORT STUDENT ABSENCES BEFORE 9 A.M.



Reporting When calling to report your student absent, you will be prompted to dial extension 327, which will connect you to the main office. Another option is to email attendance@trinitychristian.info with your student's name and reason for their absence. If your student is sick, please include the symptoms they're having.

REENROLL BEFORE APRIL 1 AND SAVE 3

Reenrollment is open for the 2024-2025 school year! Please remember that the family fee goes up by \$100 for families that reenroll after April 1.

Just log into your FACTS Family Portal 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 your new student, be sure to select "2024-2025 Current Family Application."

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. Administrative at 815-577-Assistant/Registrar, at erasmussen@trinitychristian.info, or 9310, ext. 300.



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TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL BENEFIT EVENT

and it will be given to you.

MARCH FRIDAY 15 AT 6PM 2024

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BIG HEART.

POWERFUL STORY.

®LOOK OUT FOR THE LEFT OUT is coming to our school!

Our students will be challenged, encouraged & called to kindness!



Inspired by their 3rd grade daughter, Calla's, heart to "LOOK OUT FOR THE LEFT OUT, Team Woods shares Calla's story **BRAVE GIRL**

of kindness & courage to teach students that their choices to be kind can change the world & impact others in ways beyond what they can imagine!



Kindness can change the world!

LEARN MORE AT

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Preschool - 8th Grade



Pre-Register for a Time Slot



www.trinitychristian.info/open-house.cfm Walk-Ins Welcome **OUSE** TUESDAY, MARCH 19 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.





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Trinity Christian Monday, March 18th 3:30pm – 10:00pm



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