



# Son Times

October 12, 2023

"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 TO TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL'S 2023-2024 STUDENT COUNCIL!

Big congratulations to Trinity Christian School's 2023-2024 Student Council! We are extremely proud of these students' efforts to be elected onto the council by campaigning, each delivering a speech, and being voted in by the middle school. Additionally, we had so many amazing contenders run, and we are so proud of all of them for their impressive efforts. We cannot wait to see these Student Council members grow in their leadership skills, positivity, school spirit, and heart of service. You will see council members running our Cookie Dough/ButterBraid fundraiser, \$1 Dress-Down Days, Candy Gram Fundraiser, and more. They also plan our Middle School Late Night, Spirit Week, Pep Assembly, and lead in a chapel. We are excited to see them develop as leaders and are grateful for all the hard work they will put in this year, serving our school to continue to make it a wonderful place. To learn more about our Student Council members and hear directly from them, please follow the link [here](#).

Trinity's 2023-2024 Student Council members are:

**President:** Alaina D. **Vice President:** Leah S. **Co-Treasurers:** Cayden V., Nathaniel S. **Secretary:** Faye N. **Representatives:** Tessa W., Olivia C., Graham N., Ashley P., Brianna M., Royce D., Kiara S., and Sofia C.



### Kindergarten - 8th Grade Calendar: Oct. 12-21

**Oct. 12**  
**HOME** Soccer Game and Girls' Volleyball Games 4:15 and 5:15 p.m.  
 8th Grade Night

**Oct. 13**  
**HOME** Girls' Volleyball Games 4:15 and 5:15 p.m.

**Oct. 17**  
**HOME** Girls' Volleyball Games 4:15 and 5:15 p.m.  
 School Board Meeting 7 p.m.

**Oct. 18**  
 Chapel 8:40 a.m.

**Oct. 19**  
 ICC 5/6 Volleyball Tournament at TCS

**Oct. 20**  
 \$1 Dress-Down Day  
 First Quarter Ends  
 ICC Soccer and 7/8 Volleyball Tournament at TCS

**Oct. 21**  
 ICC 5/6 and 7/8 Soccer and Volleyball Tournament at TCS

### Important Dates:

**October 26**  
 K-8 Parent/Teacher Conferences

**October 27**  
 No School K-8  
 K-8 Parent/Teacher Conferences


**TRUNK-OR-TREAT: OCT.21 AT 4:30 P.M. SEE P. 5 FOR MORE DETAILS**

# TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL VOTED BEST IN WILL COUNTY!



Trinity Christian School has been named Best Private Elementary School in Will County once again! Our preschool also placed in the top three preschools! Thank you to everyone who voted for us in the Reader's Choice Awards throughout September, and thank you to the families, students, volunteers and sponsors who help make Trinity Christian School the best it can be! We appreciate your support of our mission and we look forward to continuing to serve our families and our community. Go Eagles!

## BE A VOLLEYBALL AND SOCCER TOURNAMENT VOLUNTEER!

Trinity Christian School hosts the Illinois Christian Conference Volleyball and Soccer Tournament, Oct. 19-21. The girls' volleyball tournament starts Thursday and continues through Saturday. The soccer tournament is Friday and Saturday only. There is a lot of activity involved in supporting this tournament and the demand for volunteers is great! We need help with admissions, concessions, hall monitors, line judges and more. Would you please help? Please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas at 815-577-9310, ext. 315, or email [volunteercoordinator@trinitychristian.info](mailto:volunteercoordinator@trinitychristian.info) if you are able to help out. You may also contact Mr. V at 815-577-9310, ext. 313, or email [jvugteveen@trinitychristian.info](mailto:jvugteveen@trinitychristian.info). 

## HELP RAISE MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL WITH DELICIOUS FOOD!

**Portillo's**

HOT DOGS • BEEF • BURGERS • SALADS

Mark your calendar for Trinity Christian School's Portillo's fundraiser, **Thursday, Oct. 19**. Portillo's will donate 20% of the total sales to our school as long as we bring in at least \$200 worth of sales. Mention you are with TCS or use code **PORTILLOS27** for online orders. See pg. 4 for more details.

## NOVEMBER HOT LUNCH ORDERS DUE 10/20 BY 11:59 P.M.



At Trinity Christian School, volunteers are needed daily! 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. Toya Thomas 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 WEEKS: OCT. 16-27. PLEASE CHECK YOUR CALANDERS AND RESPOND DIRECTLY TO MRS. THOMAS TO GET YOUR DATES LOCKED IN!

**MORNING GREETER:** Every day, 8:10-8:30 a.m. Open car doors, greet students, and help make sure they enter the building safely.

<b>Monday 10/16:</b> 2 volunteers needed	<b>Monday 10/23:</b> 2 volunteers needed
<b>Tuesday 10/17:</b> 1 volunteer needed	<b>Tuesday 10/24:</b> 1 volunteer needed
<b>Wednesday 10/18:</b> 0 volunteers needed	<b>Wednesday 10/25:</b> 1 volunteer needed
<b>Thursday 10/19:</b> 1 volunteer needed	<b>Thursday 10/26:</b> 3 volunteers needed
<b>Friday 10/20:</b> 2 volunteers needed	<b>Friday 10/27:</b> No school

**LUNCH HELPER:** 4 helpers daily, 11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m. Distribute hot lunch orders by grade and classroom, then assist with cleanup.

<b>Monday 10/16:</b> 1 volunteer needed	<b>Monday 10/23:</b> 1 volunteer needed
<b>Tuesday 10/17:</b> 1 volunteer needed	<b>Tuesday 10/24:</b> 2 volunteers needed
<b>Wednesday 10/18:</b> 0 volunteers needed	<b>Wednesday 10/25:</b> 0 volunteers needed
<b>Thursday 10/19:</b> 1 volunteer needed	<b>Thursday 10/26:</b> Early dismissal
<b>Friday 10/20:</b> 1 volunteer needed	<b>Friday 10/27:</b> No school

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

<b>Monday 10/16:</b> 4 volunteers needed	<b>Monday 10/23:</b> 4 volunteers needed
<b>Tuesday 10/17:</b> 3 volunteers needed	<b>Tuesday 10/24:</b> 4 volunteers needed
<b>Wednesday 10/18:</b> 4 volunteers needed	<b>Wednesday 10/25:</b> 3 volunteers needed
<b>Thursday 10/19:</b> 3 volunteers needed	<b>Thursday 10/26:</b> Early dismissal
<b>Friday 10/20:</b> 3 volunteers needed	<b>Friday 10/27:</b> No school

Please contact Mrs. Thomas at [tthomas@trinitychristian.info](mailto:tthomas@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.*



## GRANDPARENTS' DAY IN NOVEMBER!!

Plans are underway for Trinity Christian School's Grandparents' Day 2023, as we step back into the 70s and honor our grandparents! Two invites were sent home yesterday with your youngest student, to give to their grandparents, as we look forward to seeing them all here! If you did not receive your invitations or have any additional questions, please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas at 815-577-9310, ext. 315, or [tthomas@trinitychristian.info](mailto:tthomas@trinitychristian.info). R.S.V.P.s are done online through this R.S.V.P. form link: <https://bit.ly/GrandparentsRSVP23>. See pg.6 for event flyer.

## APPRECIATE YOUR PASTOR WITH BREAKFAST

Trinity Christian School honors our wonderful pastors, here, Wednesday, Oct. 25, 8:30-10:30 a.m. Something new... this year we will begin the morning with a special chapel service led by our first graders and dedicated to the pastors. We then invite our pastors and clergy to stay for an Appreciation Breakfast that will be served immediately following the chapel! Two invites were sent home with your youngest child last week. The R.S.V.P. deadline is Friday, Oct. 20. Please help us spread the word and show our TCS love to those in the ministry. Extra invitations are available in the front office just in case you need them. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas, at 815-577-9310, ext. 315, or [tthomas@trinitychristian.info](mailto:tthomas@trinitychristian.info).



## PLACE YOUR THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON ORDERS!

It is once again time to start planning for our annual Thanksgiving Luncheon! November 17, all the students and staff enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving meal together.



If you wish to purchase a Thanksgiving meal for your student order it online using this [link](#) or scan the QR code provided. This is separate from our regular hot lunch ordering and is available for ordering **now through Oct. 31**. There is a menu choice of ham or turkey. An extra slice of meat is available at an additional cost. The rest of the menu is mashed potatoes, gravy, corn and rolls. PTM will make donations to the feast, as well as ask families to donate. Sign-up sheets will be located on the PTM bulletin board. Families are not required to order a meal for students. Those who do not purchase a ham or turkey lunch should bring a sack lunch.

## SAVE THE DATE: RAISING CANE'S FUNDRAISER 11/14



## SELL COOKIE DOUGH, WIN GREAT PRIZES!

Student Council and the Athletic Department encourage all of the student body to get involved in selling cookie dough/butter braids to raise money for the school. Order forms went home yesterday. There are some great incentives and prizes this year, including a chance to win a large squish mallow, a fast hoverboard, and a glow basket filled with LED lights, disco balls, glow-in-the dark speaker, glow-in-the dark basketball, and more. There is also an opportunity to participate in a SNOWBALL BONANZA with our very own head of school, Mr. V.! Additionally, there are classroom competitions along with the overall top-seller prizes. The money raised will be used by Student Council and the Athletic Department for a wide variety of things for the school and student body. Support your school and sell, sell, sell! Prize information is on p. 9. You should have received an email from My Fundraising Place with the link to your online store. If you plan to sell using the paper forms, there are extra forms available in the front office if you need them.

## NEW TEACHER: FEATURE OF THE WEEK

We welcome **Mrs. Lauren Holton** our new middle school English Language Arts teacher. Mrs. Holton attended Northeastern Illinois University, receiving her bachelor's degree in secondary English education. Prior to accepting her new position she taught preschool here at Trinity Christian School and before that she was a middle school teacher for the Chicago Public School district. She has two daughters that attend TCS, Finnlee in first grade and Jordan in preschool. She enjoys spending time outdoors camping, fishing, skiing, and whatever else she can do with her family. Mrs. Holton loves reading and photography, and indulges in those hobbies when any spare time comes her way. She is looking forward to continuing her career here with the amazing middle school team!





You're invited to a  
**Portillo's®**  
**FUNDRAISER**



*Eat Portillo's and give back.*

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*Keep 20% of the Proceeds*

Join us at Portillo's for a fundraiser to support:

## Trinity Christian School

When:

**October 19, 2023**

**5:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

at the Portillo's located at:

**1155 Brook Forest Ave.**

**Shorewood, IL**

20% of sales will benefit your organization. Order online or in app for pickup using code **PORTILLOS27** before checkout in the "Apply Offer" field, or show this flyer or a digital version to cashier when ordering at the restaurant. Valid on drive thru, pickup, curbside, and in restaurant orders.

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For online/app orders to qualify for the fundraiser, orders must be placed for pickup only, from the participating restaurant, on the fundraiser date and during the listed fundraiser hours. Gift card purchases, delivery orders, and orders placed on the third party websites are excluded from the fundraiser. Online ordering subject to availability. \$200 minimum fundraising sales required for the organization to receive donation. Cannot be combined with other offer codes.





Trinity Christian School PTM

# TRUNK OR TREAT

## FALL FAMILY FUN NIGHT

FELLOWSHIP WITH TCS FAMILIES

### OCTOBER 21, 2023

BEGINS AT 4:30 PM

Trinity Christian School parking lot rain or shine.

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JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN, FELLOWSHIP AND FALL FESTIVITIES.

**TRUNK OR TREAT, CHILI COOK-OFF, FOOD AND FUN.**

Join us after the trunk or treat and chili cook-off to meet with other Trinity families. The PTM will provide hot dogs, chips and drinks. The PTM will also set out some lawn games and have a bonfire with s'mores. We encourage families to bring their own lawn games and lawn chairs as well. No pets allowed.

PLEASE RSVP TO OUR FALL FAMILY FUN NIGHT BY USING THE LINK OR QR CODE BY  
TUESDAY OCTOBER 17, 2023



[HTTPS://WWW.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/3QH5QTJ](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3QH5QTJ)

Any additional questions or if you would like to provide donations for this event  
please contact: [ptm@trinitychristian.info](mailto:ptm@trinitychristian.info)



You Are Invited To  
**Grandparents'  
Day 2023**

**November 10, 2023**



**8:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.**

**Trinity Christian School  
901 Shorewood Drive  
Shorewood, IL 60404**

**RSVP ONLINE AT  
[bit.ly/GrandparentsRSVP23](https://bit.ly/GrandparentsRSVP23)**





# — JOIN OUR — **FUNDRAISER** **AT RAISING CANE'S**

**Mention the fundraiser at the register  
and Cane's will donate **15%** of sales to:**

Trinity Christian

## DATE & TIME:

Tuesday Nov. 14, 2023 from 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

## LOCATION:

1007 Brook Forest Avenue, Shorewood, IL





## SEEKING CRAFTERS AND VENDORS FOR TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL'S CHRISTMAS CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR, DEC. 2

Crafter and Vendor registration is open for Trinity families, which includes a \$5.00 discount! If you are a direct seller, please sign up now to secure your spot. Follow Trinity's Craft and Vendor fair [Facebook page](#) for updates!



TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PRESENTS OUR 9TH ANNUAL

# Christmas CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR

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**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND**

FROM 8:30 AM TO 4:00 PM  
901 SHOREWOOD DRIVE - SHOREWOOD, IL

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*Gifts. Home Decor.  
Candles. Clothing.  
Jewelry. Baked Goods.  
Wreaths and more*

FREE ENTRY AT THE DOOR  
70+ CRAFTERS & DIRECT SALES

EMAIL [TCSCRAFTFAIR@GMAIL.COM](mailto:TCSCRAFTFAIR@GMAIL.COM)  
FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR  
FOR AN APPLICATION







## **PRIZES FOR COOKIE DOUGH SALE**

**If you sell **15** items or more,  
you will be able to participate in some time away from class for a  
**SNOWBALL BONANZA with Mr. V!****

Students will leave class to go outside, play in the snow, and spend some time having a fun snowball fight with Mr. V.



### **TOP SELLER PRIZES TCS K-8<sup>th</sup> GRADE:**

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place will receive your choice (based on what place) of:

- A fast and fun HOVERBOARD!
- Comfy and Jumbo SQUISHMALLOWS
- A GLOW BASKET full of LED lights, LED disco balls, glow in the dark speaker, glow in the dark basketball, and more!



### **CLASS COMPETITION:**

- ✦ The 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade class that has the highest average amount sold per student will win the opportunity of dressing down for a FULL WEEK.
- ✦ The K-4<sup>th</sup> grade class that has the highest average amount sold per student will win an afternoon of a MOVIE PARTY with a snack for their whole class.

### **TCS PRESCHOOL**

#### **TOP SELLER PRIZES (ALL LOCATIONS COMBINED)**

1 <sup>st</sup> Place:	\$75 Amazon Gift Card
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place:	\$50 Amazon Gift Card
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place:	\$25 Amazon Gift Card

