



Son Times

September 3, 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)

SEE YOU BY 6:15 P.M. FOR CURRICULUM NIGHT

NO SCHOOL MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7!

CURRICULUM NIGHT TONIGHT at 6:30 P.M.

We look forward to seeing everyone for Curriculum Night, Sept. 3, at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m., and we ask everyone to please arrive by 6:15 p.m. in the cafetorium. There is much to share, so we will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. This is the first mandatory parent meeting of the year. Please note, at least one parent is required to attend. The evening is designed for parents to meet the teachers and discover what their students will learn throughout the school year. Curriculum Night gives teachers an opportunity to connect with parents and establish ways for continued communication. Curriculum Night does not allow enough time to address everyone's specific concerns. If necessary, please make an appointment to conference with your teacher at a later date. Please note: this event is for PARENTS ONLY, and there is **NO CHILDCARE AVAILABLE**. The expectation is that no children be in attendance. We are sorry for the inconvenience. It is going to be a great evening! Please see schedule on p. 4 of the newsletter.

Reminders: Sign in on the sign-in sheet at Curriculum Night so your student can have a dress-down day the next day, Friday. Students who do not have a parent attend are required to wear their school uniforms as usual, Friday.

**Kindergarten - 8th
Grade Calendar:
Sept 3-11**

Sept. 3
Curriculum Night 6:30 p.m.

Sept. 4
Walk-a-Thon Assembly
2:30 p.m.

Sept. 7
Labor Day - No School

Sept. 8
HOME Soccer Game
4:30 p.m.
HOME Girls' Volleyball
Games EL 4:15 p.m.
JH 5:15 p.m.

Sept. 9
Chapel 8:40 a.m.

Sept. 10
AWAY Soccer Games at
Cross Lutheran A Team 4 p.m.
B Team 5:30 p.m.
AWAY Girls' Volleyball
Games at Cross Lutheran
EL 4:15 p.m., JH 5:15 p.m.

Sept. 11
Spirit Gear Day
AWAY Soccer Game at
Calvary A Team 4:15 p.m.
AWAY Girls' Volleyball
Games at Calvary EL 4:15 p.m.
JH 5:15 p.m.

Important Dates

September 15
School Board Meeting

September 18
11:45 a.m. Dismissal
School Improvement Day

CHAMPS FOR CHRIST

At Trinity Christian School, we love celebrating students who reflect Christ through their words, actions, and attitudes. CHAMPS for CHRIST is a new reward system for TCS that recognizes students who demonstrate kindness, responsibility, leadership, participation, perseverance, and the Fruits of the Spirit throughout the school day. Teachers and staff will recognize students as CHAMPS for CHRIST by giving them a CHAMPS Ticket. Students will be recognized during Monday-morning announcements, and three tickets will be selected each week for a special prize and congratulations from Mr. V. We are excited to encourage and celebrate our students as they let their light shine each day!

"Let your light shine before others..." Matthew 5:16

Last week, the following students were selected by their teachers to receive CHAMPS recognition: Ronen A., Haley D., Jiacheng Du., Jeyah M., Armine M., Vivienne M., Olivia P., Morgan S., Brynn S., Zaccai T., Nicholas U., and Elle W. From those tickets, the three random prize winners were: Ronen A., Haley D., and Morgan S.

YOU ARE A CHAMP!	
MRS. JOLLY	FIRST GRADE
Date:	
Teacher Initials:	
Presented to:	
Reason:	
TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL	
Cut along this line	
Teacher Signature:	YOU'VE BEEN CAUGHT BEING A CHAMP!
Date:	
Presented to:	
Reason:	



SPIRIT GEAR DAY MOVED TO SEPT. 11

The Spirit Gear day planned for Sept. 4, has been moved to Sept 11. Students who did not have a parent attend Curriculum night, will need to wear their school uniforms to school, Sept. 4

SECOND DIGITAL WALK-A-THON PLEDGE UPDATES DUE TUESDAY

Trinity Christian School's annual Walk-a-Thon is coming soon, and we hope you have all had a chance to start collecting pledges for this tremendous fundraiser and TCS family event! Tuesday, Sept. 8, your Digital Pledge Updates are due! Just use this link: [2026 Walkathon](https://secure.frontstream.com/trinity-christian-school-walk-a-thon-2026). Please utilize the email you used when ordering your child's Walk-a-Thon t-shirt. What is a Digital Pledge Update? So glad you asked!

A Digital Pledge Update is how we track our total to the GOAL and keep track of prizes for families aiming high with donations. Also, students are entered into a weekly **PRIZE** drawing each time a Digital Pledge Update is turned in **ON TIME!!** Turn in the second Digital Pledge Update by dismissal, Sept. 8. Additional due dates are Sept. 15, and Sept. 22, no later than 3:30 p.m.

In the packet you received at Jump-Start Night, you should have seen information about these updates, along with all the information about this year's Walk-a-Thon. We are also thrilled that families have already started to take advantage of the online donation option called First Giving. Please visit: <https://secure.frontstream.com/trinity-christian-school-walk-a-thon-2026> to set up your account. This is a GREAT way to request support from long-distance relatives via email, Facebook or other social media. Keep up the good work and let's reach our goal of \$90,000!!!

Trinity Christian School's 2026 Walk-a-Thon is Saturday, Oct. 3, here at Trinity, 8-10 a.m. The celebration BASH will be outside, 10 a.m.-noon, immediately following the Walk-a-Thon award ceremony. This is going to be such a fun time to fellowship with TCS families! We can't wait to see all God is going to do for TCS this year!

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Adalys Colianne, Special Events Coordinator, at 815-577-9310, ext. 315, or acolianne@trinitychristian.info.

CULTIVATING A CHRIST-FOCUSED CULTURE

We had our first chapel this week and introduced the theme for the year. We are focusing on the way we cultivate our culture here at school, based on Colossians 3:12 "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."

Parents are always welcome to join us at chapel, Wednesdays at 8:40 a.m. Just sign in as you head towards the cafeteria. Can't make it? You can always see chapel at our [YouTube](#) page.

Chapel Notes, by Haley D., Guest Contributor to the *Son Times*

Guest Speaker: Mr. Vugteveen

1. We need to cultivate each others' lives
2. What are you growing? Grow good traits.
3. Be careful of what you plant
4. Clothe yourself with compassion, kindness, and humility
5. God is cultivating something in you; do not stay a seed
6. Are you quick to clothe yourself in goodness?
7. Culture starts with you
8. Plant, water, and grow yourself in your faith
9. Everything you do plants something
10. Everything you cultivate, starting with you

2025-2026 YEARBOOKS STILL AVAILABLE!

Yearbooks for the 2025-2026 school year are still available to purchase, online if you missed the initial deadline. Visit the order page at <https://account.treering.com/create-account/1014424170564639> to create your two custom pages and purchase a yearbook.



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: SEPT. 3-11. PLEASE CHECK YOUR CALENDARS AND RESPOND DIRECTLY TO MRS. COLIANNE TO GET YOUR DATES LOCKED IN!

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

Wednesday, Sept. 9: 1 volunteer needed
Thursday, Sept. 10: 1 volunteer needed
Friday, Sept. 11: 2 volunteers needed

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.

Tuesday, Sept. 8: 2 volunteers needed Friday, Sept. 11: 2 volunteers needed
Wednesday, Sept. 9: 1 volunteer needed
Thursday, Sept. 10: 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.

Tuesday, Sept. 8: 3 volunteers needed Friday, Sept. 11: 3 volunteers needed
Wednesday, Sept. 9: 3 volunteers needed
Thursday, Sept. 10: 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!

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 or Gabriella Shanahan, Co-Director of Development, at gshanahan@trinitychristian.info.

CRAFT FAIR ALERT – SIGN UP NOW TO BE A VENDOR

Our TCS Craft Fair, Dec. 5, is filling up for vendors. If you've been thinking about signing up, now is the time! To request an application, please email tccraftfair@gmail.com and secure your spot A.S.A.P. See the flier on p. 10 for more information.

DISMISSAL REMINDERS: Preschool has started! Now that they also have afternoon dismissal, we ask that families picking up 4-8 grade students from the North building, **park in the lot** until 3 p.m. Those who arrive early and are the first cars in the K-3 line, please stay in the lane before the dismissal lane until 3 p.m. Thank you for your attention and help in this process!

26-27 TCS CURRICULUM NIGHT

6:30-7:00	All-Parent Meeting in Cafetorium September 3, 2026					
7:10-7:20	6 th Grade Homeroom RM 27		7 th Grade Homeroom RM 29		8 th Grade Homeroom RM 24	
Time	6 th Grade Reg Math	6 th Grade Advanced Math	7 th Grade Pre-Algebra	7 th Grade Regular Math	8 th Grade Algebra	8 th Grade Regular Math
7:22-7:32	PE/Health/SH RM 27	Bible RM 26	Science RM 22	ELA/Writing RM 29	Math RM 24	History RM 25
7:34-7:44	Bible RM 26	Science RM 22	ELA/Writing RM 29	Math RM 24	History RM 25	PE/Health/SH RM 27
7:46-7:56	Science RM 22	ELA/Writing RM 29	Math RM 24	History RM 25	PE/Health/SH RM 27	Bible RM 26
8:00-8:10	ELA/Writing RM 29	Math RM 24	History RM 25	PE/Health/S H RM 27	Bible RM 26	Science RM 22
8:12-8:22	Math RM 27	History RM 25	PE/Health/SH RM 28	Bible RM 26	Science RM 22	ELA/Writing RM 29
8:23-8:33	History RM 25	PE/Health/S H RM 27	Bible RM 26	Science RM 22	ELA/Writing RM 29	Math RM 24

MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENTS PLEASE FOLLOW YOUR CHILD'S ASSIGNED MATH CLASS SCHEDULE

Elementary Parents Please choose a schedule below.

Session 1: K-5: 7:10-7:40

Session 2: K-5: 7:50-8:20

Please remember that tonight isn't a parent/teacher conference. We ask that you please respect our staff's time. They need to return for work early tomorrow morning. Any questions can be emailed directly to the teacher.



!!!VOTE TCS AS THE BEST!!!

Every year, the Herald News hosts Reader's Choice Awards. Trinity Christian School is honored to have been voted Best Private Elementary School every year since 2022, and One of the Best Pre-schools every year since 2019! From Sept. 8 through Oct. 5, you can vote once a day, every day. Be sure to share with friends and family, as the voting is individual! Thank you to our families, volunteers, teachers and staff, and our community for all they do to make us the best! Keep an eye

out for the link, starting Tuesday!



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



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 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

BE KIND. BE YOU. MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

SEEK

CLUB

Students Encouraging Empathy & Kindness

WHAT IS SEEK CLUB?

We are a team of students who **SEEK** ways to show kindness at school, at home, and in our community!



WE SEEK TO...



Show kindness every day



Include others and make friends



Help our school and community



Make the world a better place!



Join Mrs. Spelde

for team building activities, mini service projects, and kindness crafts.



WHO: Grades 3-5

DATES: Mondays 9/21-11/16

TIME: 3:30-4:45pm

COST: \$110



Register using the link
<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/OGYNBoYM>





TCS ART CLUB
GRADES 3-5
FALL SESSION

TUESDAYS

3:15 - 4:30 PM

Sept 29, Oct 6, 13, 20, 27

Nov 3, 10, 17

Come create and learn with us!

Sign up today!

payit.nelnet.net/form/YGYzHNz2

Trinity Christian School Presents Our 12th Annual

Christmas

Craft & Vendor Fair

Saturday, December 5

from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

901 Shorewood Drive, Shorewood, IL

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

Free Entry at the Door!

75+ Crafters and Direct Sales!

Email TCScraftfair@gmail.com
for questions and applications

