



Son Times

August 15, 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)

JUMP-START NIGHT



Ministry is providing free hot dogs, chips, and water. We can't wait to see you!

SEE YOU MONDAY!

Aug. 19 at Trinity, 3 p.m.– 6 p.m.

Jump-Start Night is Monday evening! 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

**Kindergarten - 8th
Grade Calendar:
Aug. 15-23**

Aug. 16
Teacher Institute Day

Aug. 19
All Staff In-Service
Office Opens at 1p.m.
Jump-Start Night 3-6
p.m.

Aug. 20
Board Meeting 7 p.m.

Aug. 21
First Day of School
11:45 a.m. Dismissal

YOUR STUDENT STILL HASN'T RECEIVED A POSTCARD?

Unfortunately sometimes things get lost in the mail. If your student has not yet received a postcard from his or her teacher, please feel free to call the front office at 815-577-9310, ext. 0, and we will be glad to share who your student's teacher will be for the 2024-2025 school year.

September Hot Lunch and Milk Updates



We are sorry to report that there will not be milk service for the coming school year. Our vendor has made a change to their business model and will not be able to service us. Other options are not viable at this time.

September **hot lunch orders are due Tuesday, Aug. 20 at 11:59 p.m.** All orders must be placed and paid for by 11:59 p.m. We are unable to take late orders.

Important Dates:

Sept. 2
Labor Day - No School

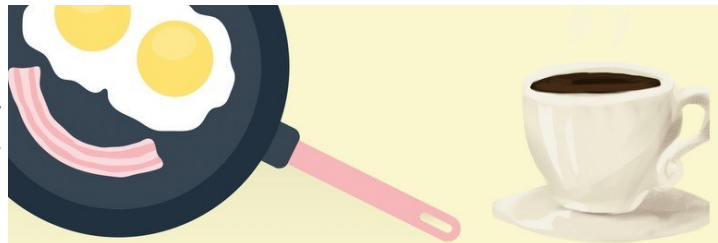
Sept. 4
First Chapel

Sept. 21
Walk-a-Thon

THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL IS AUGUST 21!

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 us for a light breakfast in the cafetorium after you drop your kids off on the first day of school, Aug. 21.

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!



Trinity Christian School PTM Invites you to the

BooHoo Yahoo Breakfast

Join the PTM and other TCS families for a light breakfast after school drop off to either boohoo or yahoo your children's return to school.

Wednesday, August 21
8:00 - 9:30 am
TCS Cafetorium



MAIN BUILDING ENTRANCE UPDATES

Our main entrance door bell system was upgraded over the summer and now includes a camera and speaker system. Please follow these steps to enter the school:

1. Press call button
2. Wait for light to turn green
3. Pull door open when light changes and you hear the eagle

VISITORS: BUILDING SAFETY

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 your cooperation in keeping our school safe.

REPORT STUDENT 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 they are experiencing** (ex. vomiting, fever, cough, etc.). Be sure to see the Parent/Student Handbook for all details.



ARRIVING AFTER THE SCHOOL DAY BEGINS?



If your student arrives to school after the day has begun (any time 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 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 begins arriving after K-8 students are done arriving, at 8:30 a.m. Thank you for your attention and cooperation in this matter.

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.



RESTAURANT FUNDRAISER

Our first fundraiser of the school year is Aug. 28, 4-9 p.m. at Raising Cane's on Rt. 59 in Shorewood. Remember to Print out or show the flier on p. 6!

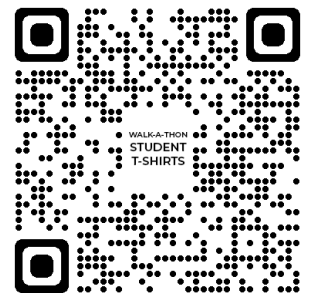


STUDENT WALK-A-THON T-SHIRTS

Our annual Walk-a-Thon is Saturday, Sept. 21! This is one of our biggest events and we are excited to celebrate with all of our amazing Trinity families!

To make things extra special, we're gifting each student a FREE shirt in their specific class color for the event. Select student shirt sizes though this [link](#) or scanning the QR code. Shirt sizes due **Wednesday, Aug. 28**.

Parents may order shirts for a fee at a later date. Keep an eye out for more information coming soon.



FIRST PTM MEETING: SEPTEMBER 5

Getting Your Students to and From School

Keep Our Kids Safe!!

To be able to keep all of our students and families safe please follow these safe driving practices.

In General:

1. Cell phone usage is not permitted in any school zone, by law, including the school parking lot during arrival and dismissal times. By law, all cell phone use must be hands-free whenever you are driving a car.
2. Please DO NOT EVER cut the "snake" route. This is dangerous and could cause a blind-sided accident to those who are following the route correctly. Please report any violators of this rule to the office so we can be sure everyone understands and are following the proper route directions.
3. All children should be seated/buckled appropriately at all times unless your vehicle is in park. No hanging out of windows or sunroofs while the car is moving.
4. Please honor the school zone speed limit of 20 mph, and even slower when in the parking lot. Shorewood Police are often present and monitoring these conditions.

Please understand we do not want anyone walking across the arrival and dismissal lines to enter the building, 8:15-8:30 a.m. and 3:15-3:30 p.m. We would like the focus to be on the cars and children being dropped off or dismissed. We ask that you enter the building before or after these times.

In the Morning:

1. If your vehicle has any students in grades K-3, please use the lane closest to the school when dropping them off.
2. INSIDE LANE: **ALWAYS** wait for a volunteer to assist your child or children out of the car. Please do not let children out of the car before the designated drop-off area with volunteers present. This is important for the safety of our children and to keep the line running smoothly. OUTSIDE LANE: students may get out of the vehicle on their own, and then pay attention to the crossing guard's instructions.
3. If your student is tardy (after 8:30 a.m.), please walk him or her into the building to sign them in.

In the Afternoon:

1. Pick up students through the pickup line. If there are any students coming to your vehicle in grades K-3, please pick up from the main building. Vehicles picking up students in grades 4-8, pick up from the north building.
2. If dismissal plans for your family change for the day, please notify the front office and the teacher. Also please be sure to communicate the changed plans with your student(s).
3. Everyone should use the pickup line in the afternoon. If you need special arrangements to pick up your student by coming into the building, please notify the front office.
4. Please have the student's LAST NAME clearly displayed on an 8x10 or larger placard.

Thank you for adhering to these guidelines as we try to keep everyone as safe as possible and get students to and from class the best way possible.

TRINITY PARTNERS WITH LOCAL CHURCHES

Did you know that Trinity Christian School highlights local church events on our website? Click this [link](#) to find out what family events are upcoming at area churches.

If your church has an event to share, please reach out to our Director of Development, Mrs. Deanne Bekermeier, by email at dbekermeier@trinitychristian.info. Thank you!



EXTRA INCOME? ACCUMULATE VOLUNTEER HOURS? SUBSTITUTE AT TCS!

We are seeking substitute teachers for the **2024-2025** 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 certificate or substitute license is preferred. Qualified substitutes must believe that the Bible is God's Word, and standard for faith and daily living. They must be in agreement with Trinity Christian School's mission and philosophy of education.



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!



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! See p. 5 to learn how to receive texts about volunteer opportunities.

WE SEEK VOLUNTEERS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEKS: AUG. 19-23 AND AUG. 26-30. PLEASE CHECK YOUR CALANDERS AND RESPOND DIRECTLY TO MRS. COLIANNE, 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.

Monday 08/19: No school	Monday 09/26: 3 volunteers needed
Tuesday 08/20: No School	Tuesday 09/27: 3 volunteers needed
Wednesday 08/21: 3 volunteers needed	Wednesday 09/28: 3 volunteers needed
Thursday 08/22: 3 volunteers needed	Thursday 09/29: 3 volunteers needed
Friday 08/23: 3 volunteers needed	Friday 09/30: 3 volunteers needed

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.

Monday 08/19: No school	Monday 09/26: 3 volunteers needed
Tuesday 08/20: No School	Tuesday 09/27: 3 volunteers needed
Wednesday 08/21: Early dismissal	Wednesday 09/28: 3 volunteers needed
Thursday 08/22: 2 volunteers needed	Thursday 09/29: 3 volunteer needed
Friday 08/23: 2 volunteers needed	Friday 09/30: 3 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 08/19: No school	Monday 09/26: 4 volunteers needed
Tuesday 08/20: No School	Tuesday 09/27: 4 volunteers needed
Wednesday 08/21: Early dismissal	Wednesday 09/28: 4 volunteers needed
Thursday 08/22: 3 volunteers needed	Thursday 09/29: 4 volunteers needed
Friday 08/23: 4 volunteers needed	Friday 09/30: 4 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!

SAVE THE DATE: CURRICULUM NIGHT IS TUESDAY, SEPT. 3

Sign up for important updates from TCS Volunteer Coordinator.



Get information for Trinity Christian School right on your phone—not on handouts.

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/bc2c3k

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 @bc2c3k to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @bc2c3k to (815) 668-8664.

** Standard text message rates apply.*



— 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:

Wednesday Aug. 28, 2024 from 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM

LOCATION:

1007 Brook Forest Avenue, Shorewood, IL



CanesAndCommunity.com

PLEASE JOIN US FOR TRINITY CHRISTIAN'S



PTM
MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
7PM IN TCS LIBRARY

WE CANNOT WAIT TO SEE YOU!

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

NEW MEMBERS, ANNUAL CALENDAR, FALL FAMILY NIGHT &
GRANDPARENTS DAY

**PARENTS, TEACHERS, GRANDPARENTS,
AND STAFF ARE WELCOME!**

QUESTIONS AND DONATIONS PLEASE EMAIL
PTM@TRINITYCHRISTIAN.INFO

