

Trinity Christian School

Academic Excellence Christ Centered Family Focused



August 22, 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)

TO SCHOOL TRINITY FAMILIES WELCOME BACK

We are so glad you are here for the 2024-2025 school year!

Yesterday morning, before students arrived, teachers and staff members came together in the front of the school to pray over the school, for their students, and for a safe school year.

Thank you to all who attended PTM's Boo-Hoo/Yahoo Breakfast. It was great getting to meet new faces and reconnect with familiar ones.

We are so excited to have the students back in the building and look forward to another wonderful school year!

Please check out p.4 for some pictures from our first day back!

REPORT 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. fever, vomiting, 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.



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

STUDENT 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.



Kindergarten - 8th **Grade Calendar:** Aug. 22-31

Aug. 28 No Chapel **Eighth Grade Retreat** PK Meet the Teacher

Aug. 29 Eighth Grade Retreat PK Meet the Teacher

Aug. 30 Walk-a-Thon Assembly 2:30 p.m.

Important Dates:

Sept. 2 Labor Day - No School

> Sept. 4 First Chapel

Sept. 17 School Board Meeting

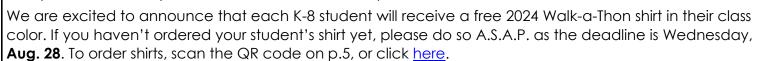
> Sept. 21 Walk-a-Thon

WALK-A-THON DATES AND DETAILS

Trinity Christian School's 2024 Walk-a-Thon is Saturday, Sept. 21, 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!

If you have not already done so please pull out your Walk-a-Thon packet from inside your Jump-Start envelope! It is time to start collecting donations for this year's event. If you still need to set up your child's online donation option, please do so here.

New this year, we have <u>digital pledge slips</u>. The first pledge slip is due Tuesday, **Aug. 27.** Complete these weekly for a chance to win additional prizes! Just scan this QR code to submit.



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



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 WEEKS: AUG. 26-30 AND SEPT. 2-6. 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 the enter the building safely.

Monday 08/26: 1 volunteer needed Monday 09/02: No school

Tuesday 08/27: 1 volunteer needed Tuesday 09/03: 1 volunteer needed

Wednesday 08/28: 1 volunteer needed Thursday 08/29: 1 volunteer needed Thursday 09/05: 1 volunteer needed

Friday 08/30: 1 volunteer needed Friday 09/06: 1 volunteer 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 08/26: 2 volunteers needed Monday 09/02: No school

Tuesday 08/27: 2 volunteers needed Tuesday 09/03: 2 volunteers needed

Wednesday 08/28: 1 volunteer needed Thursday 08/29: 1 volunteer needed Thursday 09/05: 0 volunteers needed

Friday 08/30: 3 volunteers needed Friday 09/06: 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.

Monday 08/26: 4 volunteers needed Monday 09/02: No school

Tuesday 08/27: 3 volunteers needed Tuesday 09/03: 3 volunteers needed

Wednesday 08/28: 3 volunteers needed Wednesday 09/04: 4 volunteers needed

Thursday 08/29: 3 volunteers needed Thursday 09/05: 3 volunteers needed

Friday 08/30: 4 volunteers needed Friday 09/06: 2 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!



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 badges let anyone who sees you 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 present, please only attend the places you are scheduled to visit. Do not randomly stop in at classrooms or other destinations.

Trinity Christian School 2024-2025 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 Christian education with our expansive audience of current families, alumni and community members.

Please share our sponsorship program with the businesses that you patronize.

Information can be found on the attached information sheets and on our website.

If you would like to learn more about our sponsorship program, contact Mrs. Deanne Bekermeier at dbekermeier@trinitychristian.info

There is a deadline to have your business included on the Walk-a-Thon shirts, so please reach out by Friday, Aug. 23.

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 should 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 instructions from the crossing guard.
- 3. If your student is tardy (after 8:30 a.m.), please walk him or her inside 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) ahead of time when possible.
- 3. Everyone should use the pickup line in the afternoon. If you need special arrangements to pick up your student by coming inside 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 gets students to and from class the best way possible.





TCS 2024 Walk A Thon Shirts

Student order due 8/28!





Instructions:

- Open your phone's camera app.
- Point it at the QR code or https://www.trinity christian.info/walka thon-shirts.cfm
- Tap the notification to view our menu

Questions: walkathon@trinitychristian.info

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



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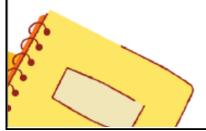
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
7PM IN TCS LIBRARY

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 @ TRINITY CHRISTIAN.INFO

