February 3, 2025

TCS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Eph 2:10

Trinity Vision Setting Update

Last Thursday was a very historic event in the life of our new Trinity Christian School JK - 12! Close to 50 parents, grandparents, teachers, board members and longtime supporters gathered and processed in groups, five handouts dealing with the vision for the new school. The handouts asked for input into:

- What areas of academic excellence and lifelong learning are important to you as parents?
- What should the priorities be in our new school regarding shaping Christian leaders in the areas of faith and character?
- What are some important areas we want to instill in our students as they move beyond grade 12 (life-long skills)?
- Do you have a key bible verse that the school should consider as part of their vision statement?
- What power words *(words that can help us see the future in the vision*) should be part of our new vision and core values of Trinity?
- In the last handout, groups were asked, "What areas can't be missed in the vision statement?"

Missed the meeting?…you have one more chance to give input into the vision of Trinity Christian School (JK - 12). This link. click here, will enable you to give your input on the vision and core values of Trinity. These are the same questions we pondered and worked through at the meeting. This link will be open until Friday, February 7. Please take time this week to give your input as it is valued! As mentioned to the group last Thursday, your bible verse could end up being the key verse for the new school! We will use the input and feedback from both the vision setting evening and this link to start to shape the new vision, core values and tagline for our new Trinity Christian School JK - 12.







February dates:

4 3:30-4:55pm Basketball practice
6 3:30-4:55pm Basketball practice
7 9am Chapel Hosted by Grade 2 & PIZZA DAY
10 HOT DOG DAY
11 Founders' Hockey Tournament & 3:30-4:55 Basketball practice & 7:30 pm UNITY HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE
12 4-6pm Parent-Teacher Conferences
13 Basketball practice
14 **PIZZA DAY**
& TCS FAST Bursary Application Deadline for current TCS families

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Praying for Trinity Christian School JK - 12 THIS Tuesday at 2:30 at Unity

We hope the TCS and Unity school communities are praying for all the wonderful work being done for Trinity. This Tuesday at 2:30 please join us at Unity Christian High School, in the library, to pray together (open to all TCS & Unity families). *If you can't make it, please join us wherever you are to pray for*:

- The team giving input to our architect for the new additions (ask for wisdom and clarity)
- The team working with the Dennis Group on the fundraising plan
- The team working with the lawyer on the legal amalgamation of the two schools
- The team working on disentangling the land (land that is in partnership with the Catholic school)
- Pray for the timelines of all these areas
- Pray for the team working on the new vision and worldview areas of the new school (for wisdom and clarity)



The prayer times will rotate schools over the next year to ensure we lift up the needs of our new school.

TCS is now accepting resumes for two positions for next year

TCS is now accepting resumes for two confirmed positions for next year:

- A full-time position teaching in the junior division
- A kindergarten maternity position from September 2025 to March 2026



Please send resumes to tcsgen@timothychristianschool.ca with two teaching references and one pastor reference. Resumes will be accepted until February 28, 2025.

TCS is also accepting resumes for our current Teaching and EA Supply List.

Please send resumes to tcsgen@timothychristianschool.ca with two teaching references and one pastor reference.



Report Cards go home THIS Wednesday, February 5 at 3:25pm.

First term report cards will be sent home with all JK - 8 students this Wednesday. Parents, this is a wonderful opportunity to sit one-on-one with your child/children and process the positive areas on their report cards and nudge them in the areas to work on over the next term. Teachers and parents working together can be a powerful force and report cards are a great way to tag-team together in this. Term one Parent-Teacher Conferences will be on February 12, 4:00 - 6:00. Instructions on booking these conferences will be sent home later this week.

Yearbook Cover Contest: Entries Due THIS WEDNESDAY

Students, please consider lending your creative talents to our 2024-2025 Yearbook. We are looking for entries to be handed in by February 5th and must include the following to be considered:



- Submitted on 8.5x11 paper
- School full name - Timothy Christian School
- Theme for the year - God's Masterpiece… Created For A Purpose
- Theme verse reference - Ephesians 2:10
- Must be neat & colourful ** Check your spelling!

Last week's SNOW DAY - Hot Dog Day - Rescheduled to Wednesday, Feb 12

Parents, please check your calendar to see if your child was to have gotten hot dogs last Wednesday, Jan 28. If so, we will provide those hot dogs on Wednesday, February 12. .



Grade 3 & 4 learning about compassion: Kindness in Action!

The Grade 3 and 4 students are learning about compassion, and how to serve others in our community who have less than we have. We want to share the love of Jesus with others through acts of service, knowing we were created for a purpose: to do good works for God. This month Mrs. Mensinga's Grade 3 class is making bagged lunches for the David Busby Centre! We are asking our school community to participate alongside to help this organization by ***donating boxes of granola bars to add to our bagged lunches***. Granola bars can be sent in with your child until Monday, February 24th. We can't wait to see how God uses our TCS community to serve others in Barrie through these acts of generosity over the next few months!

TCS Spring Market. This year's event will take place on Saturday, May 31

Please save the date for our second annual TCS Spring Market. This year's event will take place on Saturday, May 31 from 8AM - 2PM and consist of some exciting new additions:

- Student (Kids) Market - a market for our students to showcase their creativity, entrepreneurship, and talents.
- Community Garage Sale - a change in format to our yard sale last year, we will be offering table rentals for individuals or groups who want to sell their garage sale items at our Spring Market. Stay tuned for more info on how to reserve a table.
- Artisan Workshops - an immersive experience where visitors can observe, learn and participate in the creation of handcrafted goods. Advanced registration will be required.



PITCH OPPORTUNITIES: SPRING MARKET VOLUNTEERS.

To make this exciting day a success we are looking for volunteers. This is a great way to earn your PITCH hours! Please click on this link to sign up for a volunteer area.

PITCH OPPORTUNITIES: Teach a class showing off your talents & skills.

Do you have a creative skill you could teach to a small group? Perhaps you can create frothy coffee designs or can make sourdough bread? Maybe you create using power tools or know how to arrange delicate flowers? If you can create and teach, we want to know! Email us at springmarket@timothychristianschool.ca with more information on your skills and how you would teach a class.

Yearbook Sponsorship Opportunities

2024-25 Yearbook

As we put together our 2024-2025 yearbook, we are looking for page sponsors! **The student cost of purchasing a yearbook will decrease based on the amount of sponsors we have**. Your sponsorship ad will run along the bottom edge of a yearbook page stating *"This page is sponsored by (the family/business name.)"* If you'd like to be a part of this opportunity, please complete THIS GOOGLE FORM. Special requests to sponsor specific pages will be accommodated as possible on a first come, first served basis.

Please make cheques payable to Timothy Christian School indicating it is a yearbook page sponsor. Alternatively, we can send you the information for e-transfers after we confirm your sponsorship. The price per page for sponsorship is $30. If you would like to make a donation toward the yearbook production (without a page sponsorship), gifts of $25 or more may be eligible as a charitable donation. ***The deadline for sponsorships is Friday, February 28***. The more sponsorships and donations received the lower the cost per book! Thanks for your generosity; we can't wait to show you our 2023-2024 Yearbook!

Attention Grade 8 Parents: We need your baby photos for the yearbook!

The Yearbook Committee is looking forward to featuring your child in the Gr. 8 Grad pages as we send them on their way to new adventures! Gr. 8 Parents, please pick a baby photo of your child and email it to tcsyearbook@timothychristianschool.ca. Include your child's name in the subject line. All photos must be digitally submitted (no prints sent to school). The picture should have only your child in it and be of good quality. Please submit your photo by Feb. 19th. Thank you!

Logging your PITCH hours

Please be aware that it is each family's responsibility to track and log their own PITCH hours. To enter your hours, please follow these instructions:

- Log onto Sycamore (TCS School Id: 3982), On the left side click "My School", "My Service Logs"
- Click "NEW" button on the right side. Complete the form *choosing the appropriate heading*
- Click "**Save**"... entered hours are pending until approved by the PITCH committee
- Families that are required to complete ONLY 15 hours, please be sure to log the SPECIAL PITCH AUTHORIZATION of 10 hours (these are the hours granted to you so you only need to complete 15 hours in total).

Remember, each family is permitted to enter 2.5 hours for attending Society meetings (even if you aren't a member!).

If you have questions or need further assistance, please contact pitch@timothychristianschool.ca. *Thank you for adding to the life of the school by volunteering your time!*

Unity Christian High School Enrollment Open for TCS Families

As enrollment requests continue to increase, we want to ensure that we accommodate our Christian School families first. We ask that Timothy Christian School families complete and submit your Unity Christian High School enrollment forms by **Feb. 21, 2025** in order to receive priority placement. Enrollment packages are available for download at **info@unitychristianhigh.ca**. We hope that you will continue your investment in Christian Education in grades 9-12, with us at Unity Christian High School!

Unity Open House: NEXT Tuesday, February 11, 7:30pm



- Learn more about the school, our programs, courses and athletics
- Learn about the application process
- Take a physical tour of the school building
- Get your questions answered

See the poster at the end of this newsletter *for registration info*

Basketball Team - GIRLS & BOYS - practices are Tuesdays & Thursdays, 3:30 - 4:55pm



Basketball Team practices, for the Girls' and Boys' Teams, will be Tuesdays & Thursdays each week, 3:30 to 4:55pm. *Please bring proper equipment to each practice and be sure to have confirmed plans for pick up at 4:55pm!*

PITCH OPPORTUNITIES: Help with Student Pick Up at the front of the school

Parents, we are in need of ONE PITCH volunteer each afternoon (3:20 - 3:35pm) for 15 mins to monitor the parking lot for safety. In one week you can earn 1.25 PITCH hours! Please let the office know if you are able to help.

TCS Family Cookbook



We are so excited to create the First Annual TCS Family Cookbook! ***Our goal is to gather special Family Recipes from all of our TCS families and combine them together into a book that will be sold at the International Food Festival this coming spring.*** We would love to hear about your family recipes passed down through generations, your traditional meals or desserts for special occasions, or even just your simple "go-to" meal ideas. We would love to include any family stories or photos that go along with your recipe.

Please CLICK HERE and fill in the TCS Family Cookbook Google Form.

If you have a LEGIBLE paper copy of your recipe, and do not wish to rewrite all of the information onto the google form, you may choose to add your photo onto the google form.

Snow Valley Skiing/Snowboarding and Tubing

To enjoy skiing / snowboarding / tubing at a discounted rate at Snow Valley *you MUST email or text Tracey Sheppard at least 2 weeks in advance of the Thursday evening you want to go*. The earlier you email / text Tracey the better so she can organize the discounted tickets as we need to meet the 20 person minimum consistently to get the group discounted price. The following is the list of Thursday evenings:



- Feb 6, 13, 20, 27 and
- Mar 6

Skiing/snowboarding is from 4-9pm

COST: Night lift ticket and rental is $52 + tax per person and the lift ticket on its own is $30 + tax. A 2 hour tubing ticket is $23 (taxes included)

CONTACT: Tracey Sheppard, t_eisses@hotmail.com, 705-725-3750

NEW INITIATIVE for the TCS Bazaar… Triangle Rewards Fundraiser

Please consider donating your Triangle Rewards Points to the Bazaar. Earn points with the Triangle Rewards Program every time you shop at places like Canadian Tire, Sport Chek, Pro Hockey Life, Party City, Atmosphere, Petro-Canada and Mark's Work Warehouse. Then, to donate your points, please ***call Triangle Rewards Customer Service at 1-800-226-8473***, and ask to Transfer your points to account number **6365-7477-0431-8148.** Points can be transferred at any time of the year and any points given to the school will be used towards the Annual Christmas Bazaar and Auction. Please note there needs to be a minimum of $5.00 in rewards to be able to make the transaction.



Bus information: Landmark Bus Lines Barrie (our bus company)**: 705-722-6666**. Parents, please feel free to contact Landmark for an ETA on a bus at any time.

Check out this link to buy TCS clothing:
https://timothychristian.entripyshops.com/
Shop for your TCS school spirit gear in black, gold or grey and wear it on Fridays!

JOIN US FOR AN

OPEN HOUSE

AT UNITY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL



TUESDAY
FEB 11
7:30 PM

Learn more about Christian education at Unity

- Learn more about the school, our programs, courses and athletics
- Learn about the application process
- Take a physical tour of the school building
- Get your questions answered

Please register for this in-person event by contacting the school at info@unitychristianhigh.ca

Unity Christian High School

Believe, Belong and Thrive.