



TRINITY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Teaching the Art of Learning

August 1, 2008

Dear Parents:

You may have been as captivated as me by the story of the “Last Lecture”—truly an inspiring life and a testimony to the image of God in us all. In it a young professor who has recently been told he has terminal cancer gives an inspiring talk about dealing with adversity, and the endearing legacy he wants to leave his three small children. My only regret was that the author, Randy Pausch, chose not to discuss his personal religious views. I, perhaps like you, want to be reminded of the source of power for perseverance when difficult times come. We need to go daily to the well and drink deeply, to the Savior who told us in John 4:

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

As the new school year dawns, let us together remember the true Source, and go there regularly for the power to live out His call upon us.

Opportunities: We have several great ways together to "show ourselves approved" before the Lord as we move into this next year. Topping my list:

1. **Communication**—It seems like we can never communicate enough in a school, particularly spread over three campuses. But we want to commit to you to make our best effort to communicate well, to get a school newsletter up and running, and to be available and responsive to you.
2. **Academic Support**—Our curriculum is a response to the call to prepare young people to change the world for Christ. While we don't have resource teachers or special education, we do want to be as helpful as we can within the context of the regular classroom setting. This year we are going to develop a rotation where every teacher will be available one day per week after school for extra help. This will take slightly different forms on the three campuses, but we want to do more for students that need it and still respect teacher's time limitations. Above all, we want you to hear clearly that we love and value all types of students, and that while the Lord has not gifted all children equally; we want to be a safe home for all of the students we are able to serve.
3. **New Faculty**—Please support and pray for our wonderful new teachers:
 - Mrs. Lisa Gilvin to teach MS Latin—Lisa is a very experienced Latin teacher that has been teaching until recently at Henry Clay High School
 - Mr. Ben Logan to teach MS Logic—Ben is a philosophy major from Asbury, and has a large following as an ice skating teacher
 - Mr. Allan Adams to teach MS Bible—originally from Trinidad, Allan has been a Pastor and is the father of two teen-age daughters
 - Mr. Daniel Jones to teach 10th & 11th Grade English and 11th grade Logic—Daniel has an English degree and an advanced degree in Theology
 - Mrs. Chelsea Steyn to teach Music Appreciation—Chelsea is our first Trinity graduate to come back and teach for us! She has a Masters in music from UK.

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Important upcoming dates:

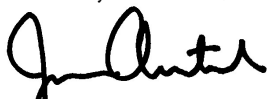
- Lower School New Student and Parent Orientation: Tuesday, August 12, 9:00-10:00am at the Lower School All new students and parents to the Lower school are to attend.
- Lower School Open House: Tuesday, August 12, 10:00am-12:00pm at the Lower School. Come and see the classroom, meet the teacher, and put your supplies in your desk.
- Middle School 7th Grade and New Student and Parent Orientation: Tuesday, August 12, 12:00-1:00pm. Parents and students meet at the Middle School (Porter Memorial)
- High School Freshman and New Student and Parent Orientation: Tuesday, August 12, 1:30-2:30pm, all Freshman and High School Students new to Trinity, at the High School (Wellington).
- First Day of School: Wednesday, August 13th. Full day of school for Upper School, half day for Lower School
 - ❖ LS (grades 1-6 only) 8:30am-11:30am
 - ❖ MS 8:15am-3:20pm
 - ❖ HS 8:10am-3:15pm
- Pre-School & Kindergarten
 - ❖ 2 Day Pre-S & Half Day Kindergarten start Thursday, August 14, 8:30-11:30
 - ❖ Full Day Kindergarten starts Thursday, August 14, 8:30-2:30
 - ❖ 3 Day Pre-School starts Friday, August 15, 8:30-11:30
- Lower School “Meet the Teachers”: Monday, August 18, 7:00pm
- Middle School “Meet the Teachers”: Thursday, August 21, 7:00pm
- High School “Meet the Teachers”: Monday, August 25, 7:00pm
- All School Welcome Back Ice Cream Social: Friday, September 5, at the Lower School

We now have a Parent section on the website, TrinityLex.org, with dress code, reading lists, and supply list. We will not be sending out Parent Packets this year. We will be posting them on the on the Website. Be looking for an email letting you know they are posted. For Trinity parents to log in, go to the Parent Information page and put in:

- ❖ User name: parent
- ❖ Password: matthew

Finally, let me say that my wife and I feel so blessed to be part of the Trinity family, and to have our son at this school. Let us all pray that the Lord will bless the upcoming year.

Warmly in Christ,



James Armistead
Headmaster

Enclosure: Lower School milk order form (due August 8)