



# APRIL 2024

## **LET THE EXPANSION BEGIN! - A NOTE FROM MR. ABBETT**

A vision that took shape almost two years ago is now becoming a reality...we have finally received our building permits from Campbell County! New classrooms, a designated music and art room, and a special education space will provide what is needed for the foreseeable future.

The buildout is broken down into five phases with the first phase being moving dirt, expanding our parking, and improving traffic flow. We will move as fast as physically and financially possible. At this point, we have 38% of the needed funds to complete the project. The bank is willing to help finance a portion of the expansion, but it is important that we limit the amount we borrow to prevent compromising our ability to keep up with inflation, hire qualified teachers, improve our existing facilities, or put undue pressure on increased tuition. Here is what I am asking of you in the months ahead:

1. Be prayerful that the Lord would provide the needed resources to complete the expansion in a timely fashion.
2. Be understanding as construction will most certainly come with a few inconveniences.
3. Be informed by watching out for schoolwide emails and newsletters that will keep you up to date on progress and last-minute changes.



Now that construction is started, you can track the progress at: <https://www.timberlakechristianschool.org/build.html>

## **DR. ELWOOD MCQUAID**

It is with both sorrow and joy that we mention that TCS founder, Dr. Elwood McQuaid passed away and is now with Christ. Dr. McQuaid passed, last month, at the age of 93. While we grieve his loss, we are incredibly grateful for his vision and initial leadership of Timberlake Christian School. You can read meaningful tributes to Dr. McQuaid by his friends and colleagues at [foi.org/elwood/](https://foi.org/elwood/).

# ACADEMICS

## ACSI MATH OLYMPICS

The ACSI Math Olympics were held last month with six private schools competing. TCS had eighteen students in grades 3-8 qualify to compete. TCS is proud of all the students that participated and would like to specifically congratulate the six students that qualified to move on to the Divisional Math Olympics. The following students qualified and will compete again in mid-April:

- **Austin MacCord** – 3rd place, 3rd grade Computation
- **James Thomas** – 1st place, 3rd grade Reasoning
- **Weston Fry** – 4th place, 4th grade Computation
- **Brendan Farrell** – 3rd place, 6th grade Computation
- **Drew Matzke** – 2nd place, 6th grade Reasoning
- **Rachel Pearls** – 4th place, 7th grade Computation

## SCIENCE FAIR

TCS will be hosting a Science Fair on **Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>** for all 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. The Science Fair will be held in the multi-purpose room. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade students have been working on their fair projects since January.

## IOWA TESTING

Students in grades K-10<sup>th</sup> grade will have Iowa Assessment testing during the mornings of **April 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>**. The Iowa test is a series of standardized achievement tests used to assess students in areas such as reading, language, and mathematics. These are important tests, and we encourage both parents and students to take them seriously. We encourage students to rest well the night before and eat a nutritious breakfast before testing each day.

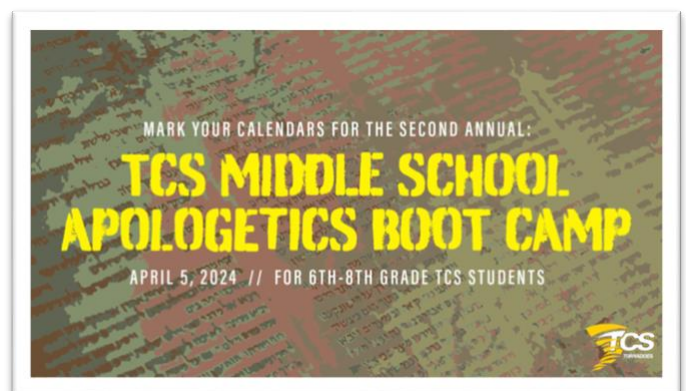


## PRE-K BABY CHICKS

The Pre-K students are very excited about their chicken eggs that are currently in an incubator in the Pre-K wing. The students are eagerly awaiting the arrival of the little chicks over the next several weeks.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL APOLOGETICS BOOT CAMP

TCS is pleased to announce its second annual TCS Middle School Apologetics Boot Camp will be held on **Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**. It is open to all 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade TCS students. Participating students will plan to stay after school and be picked up by their parents at **10 pm**. The night will feature games, food, fun, and interactive apologetics training. This year, the focus will be on answering the question: "Why can we trust the Bible?"



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## 5K, FUN RUN, & CARNIVAL

We are just two weeks away from our annual 5K/Fun Run event. Whether you are choosing to run, walk, or simply attend, the 5K/Fun Run is a wonderful community event. Beyond the run itself, there will be many fun activities and plenty of food for the kids. Consider attending or going to the web page to sponsor a child/class. TCS has reached just over 63% of its \$70,000 fundraising goal, with all the proceeds going towards the building expansion. TCS would like to thank those that have supported this event so far.



The Fun Run & Carnival event will **kick off at 9:00 am** with a **5K** in the neighborhood surrounding TCS, plus a shorter **Fun Run** (approx. 1 mile around the school) for our little runners. Those interested in the timed walk/run around the neighborhood should select the 5K when registering. The shorter route will not be timed. The run/walk will be followed up by a carnival on the school grounds from **10:00 am – 1:00 pm**. The carnival will include **games, food, and more**. **The 5K will be professionally timed again this year via chipped bibs with medals for the top 3 male and female finishers** in each age group (Under 13, 13-18, 19-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50+) and a medal for the overall best male and female runner.

## SUPPORT THE FUN RUN

The Elementary students are working hard in support of the upcoming 5K, Fun Run, and Carnival and helping TCS meet its fundraising goal. Come out in support of TCS and its students on **Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>** for a **Food Truck and Kids Market**. This event will be held at Timberlake Baptist Church from **11:00am-3:00pm**.

In addition, you can support TCS and it's students by purchasing a raffle ticket for the TCS quilt. Our Tornado Quilt (pictured right) was made by members of the Sewing Club at TCS. These 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders sewed all the quilt squares after school. TCS parent, Mandy Feagan, assembled the students' squares. All proceeds will be divided between the Fun Run accounts of the girls who created the squares. Raffle Tickets are \$5 each. They may be purchased from **7:45am- 8:00am** on school days until **11:00am** on **Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup>** at the Fun Run.



## MISTER GOODIES DAY

Mark your calendars! Mister Goodies Day for TCS is **Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>**. TCS will receive 20% of the sales, between **3:00pm and 9:00pm** that day, when people mention TCS.

## PRE-K ART SHOW

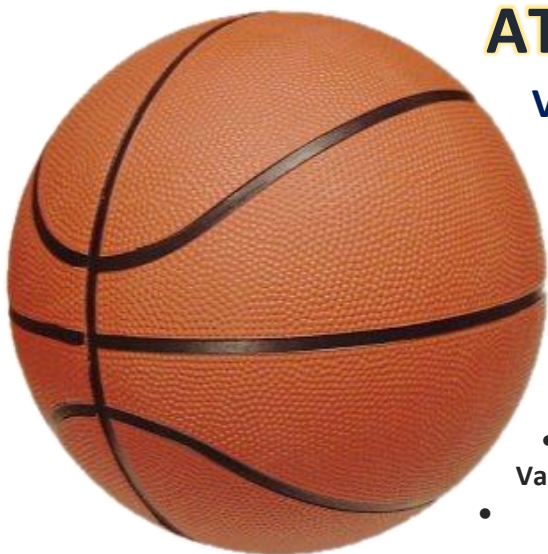
Our Pre-K will be hosting an Art Show on **Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>** from **6:00pm-7:30pm**. Students' artwork, from the year, will be on display for parents and relatives to see. This is a drop-in event and is open to the whole family!



**SPRING MUSICAL** Students will be performing the musical, **The Lion King Jr.** Performances are **May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>**. Tickets will go on sale this month!

## SUMMER DAY CAMP

Enrollment is now open for TCS' Summer Day Camp. The summer program is designed for children ages 3 to 7 (those who have just completed 2<sup>nd</sup> grade) to have fun while learning about the Bible and reviewing core subjects. The camp offers resource classes such as arts and crafts, music, PE, water days, and library time. The Summer Camp runs from **May 29<sup>th</sup>** through **August 7<sup>th</sup>**. For more information about Summer Day Camp visit the school website or call the school office.



## ATHLETICS

### VACA BASKETBALL RECOGNITIONS

Below are VACA Basketball Tournament recognitions for both boys and girls on the middle school through varsity teams:

#### Varsity Girls VACA All-District Team 2<sup>nd</sup> Team

- Emma Luther
- Dayla Sleboda

#### Varsity Girls VACA-All-Region Team 2<sup>nd</sup> Team

- Emma Luther

#### Varsity Boys VACA All-District 1<sup>st</sup> Team

- Sawyer Epps

#### Varsity Boys VACA All-District 2<sup>nd</sup> Team

- Adrian Warrick

## DRESS DOWN DAYS

### PRE-K T-SHIRT DAY

Pre-K students will have their Pre-K t-shirt day on **Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>**.

### SPIRIT DAY - DRESS DOWN

This month's School Spirit Days are **Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>** and **Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>**. On Spirit Day, TCS students can show their school spirit by dressing down and wearing jeans along with a TCS spirit t-shirt. The spirit shirt must be visible.

### FULL DRESS DOWN DAY

**Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>** is a full dress down day for all TCS students.

**Our Mission:** To assist Christian parents in educating their children to think and live consistently with a biblical world-and-life view and discipling them in love and truth toward Christlikeness and a lifelong passion for glorifying God.