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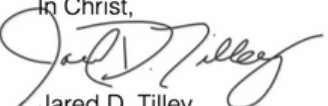
When I was around 13 years old, I started a lawn care business for my neighbors. I created flyers using Microsoft 3.1, my first experience on a computer. I rode my bike around Hickory Hills, placing flyers on people's mailboxes. I received one call from an elderly lady who needed assistance with her yard. I was thrilled. I rolled my lawn mower down the street and began mowing. My experience mowing lawns was limited, and while I imagined my lawn would look like the outfield of Fulton County Stadium (Atlanta Braves stadium from 1966 to 1996) when I was finished, it never did. The elderly lady didn't think so either. She was kind and cut me loose after one mow.

I've always admired individuals who can take a business idea and produce results. We have two students in the Upper School who are doing just that. Charlie Chittum and Madelyne Ladd have started a specialty business offering cotton candy for themed birthday parties and soon to be in two craft markets, Happy Hoppy Spring Market and Spring Shipping Expo, with more on the way. What's truly impressive is their level of preparation. Both Charlie and Madelyne took the initiative to schedule a meeting with me to discuss their business and how they could support the school. They came well-prepared with meeting agenda notes, ideas for a partnership between their business and the school, and even had their newly acquired food permit in hand.



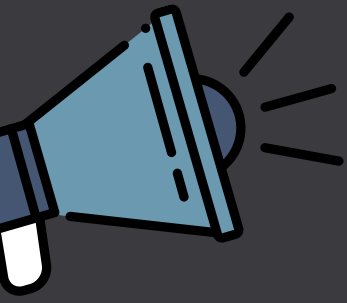
As a member of the Tennessee Christian community, I take great pride in our students and their accomplishments. But what excites me even more is the potential they hold for the future. I am eager to see where their determination and creative methods will take them.

I encourage our families to support Charlie and Madelyne's business:  CottonCandyClouds.Co

In Christ,

Jared D. Tilley

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

WE ARE PROUD TO FINALLY
INTRODUCE TO YOU...



TC MOBILE

For years, the administration at Tennessee Christian has searched for new and innovative ways to bring learning directly to students, and we've finally found the perfect solution—the TC Mobile Learning Bus! This state-of-the-art classroom on wheels allows us to take education beyond the four walls of a traditional school, reaching students wherever they are. No more worrying about missing a lesson due to traffic, errands, or even family vacations—the bus will come to you! Equipped with everything from whiteboards and Wi-Fi to amazing snacks, it ensures high-quality instruction on the go. After much planning and preparation, we are thrilled to launch this exciting new way of learning!



FAQs

What is the TC Mobile Learning Bus?

A fully-equipped traveling classroom bringing education to children wherever they are!

Where will the bus travel?

Everywhere! From neighborhood streets to grocery store parking lots—even the beach!

What subjects will be taught?

All core subjects, plus real-world skills like shopping cart navigation, haggling with street vendors and parkour.

How do students board the bus?

Just wave it down like a taxi! Life skills!

Will students be graded?

Only if they are on time to catch the bus! To be early is on time; to be on time is late!

What if my child gets car sick?

We offer several “motion-friendly” lessons like audiobooks and nap time. But also, one word: Dramamine.

How many students can fit on the bus?

It depends on how good they are at playing Tetris.

Will lunch be provided?

Students will pack their own—or barter with the driver of the day.

What happens if my child misses the bus?

They'll have to chase it to the next stop, which also qualifies them for our Cross Country Team! Great exercise and that counts for a high school PE credit!

Is this program for real?

Only on April 1st!



PASTOR appreciation CHAPEL



The Apostle Paul in Romans 13:7 is very clear when he states that we are to give honor to those to whom honor is due. Last week, the Tennessee Christian community did just that as we honored the men and women who serve and support the spiritual growth of our students - their pastors. We began the service with a powerful time of worship led by our Middle and Upper School Chapel Band. Watching these pastors from various walks of life and different denominations worship with one heart was indicative of the unity in our own community centered around Jesus as Lord. We then heard heartfelt messages from several students across all divisions as they shared stories and expressed appreciation for their own pastors. The event concluded with a reception where each student had the opportunity to share a personal thanks (and a donut!) with his/her pastor. We at Tennessee Christian are so grateful to these ministers and partners in the mission we share - to encourage young men and women to follow God and fulfill His purpose with their lives.

-Kylie Machacek



GREAT GATSBY PARTY



This last Tuesday, March 25th, the Roaring Twenties came to life in the Eleventh Grade English class. Having finished their section reading *The Great Gatsby*, written by F. Scott Fitzgerald, they celebrated their achievement by throwing a Gatsby party. Complete with refreshments, games, and music straight from the 1920s, it was just like stepping into the glitz and glam of a real Gatsby party.

Each student worked on the project by both writing a formal proposal, and providing the supplies needed. This helped them not only improve their writing skills by opening up the floor to a new form of writing, but also allowing them to take responsibility over their sections and improve communication and teamwork skills. These opportunities allow the students to prepare for working in a career that requires a group setting, and to help them grow stronger in their writing abilities. It also helped them grasp the themes and concepts discussed in *The Great Gatsby*.

In true Gatsby fashion, the Eleventh Graders brought in several elements to the party, fitting in with the other gatherings of their time. They brought in foods and drinks native to the 1920s party scene, such as pineapple upside-down cake and several fruity drinks. They also prepared card games to play, all to simulate the thrill and excitement of a true 1920s celebration.

-Sophie Ellis (11th Grade)

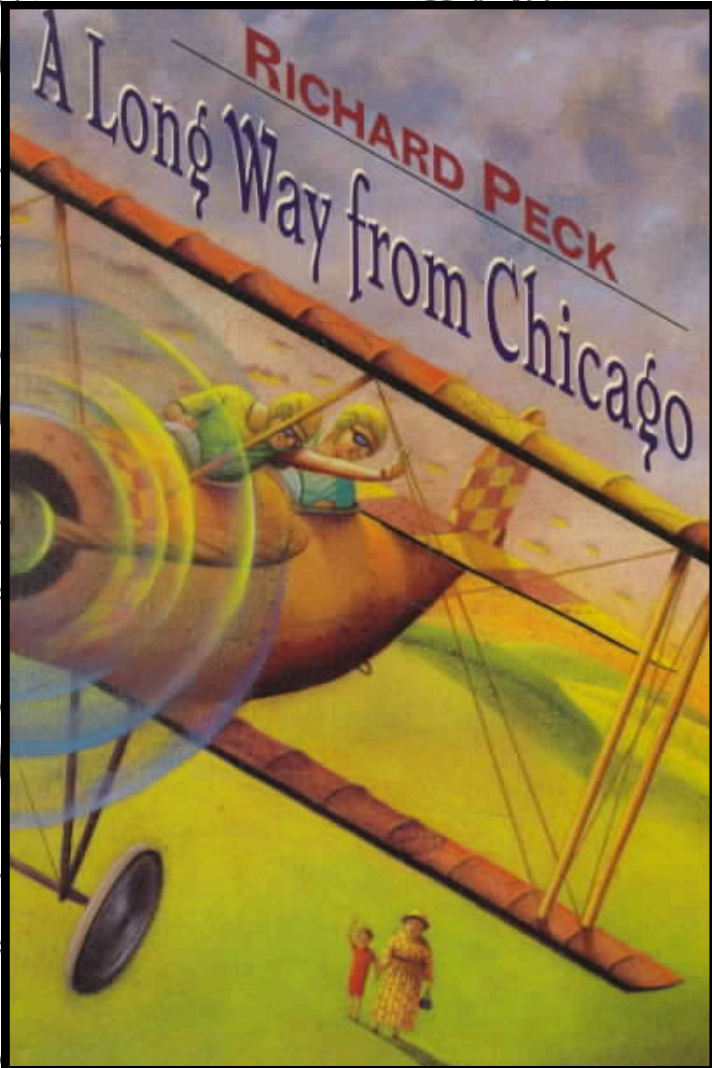
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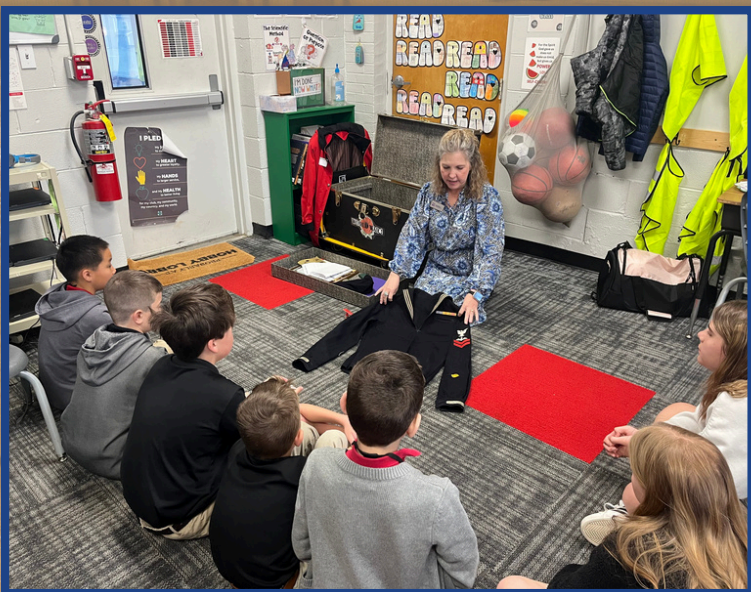
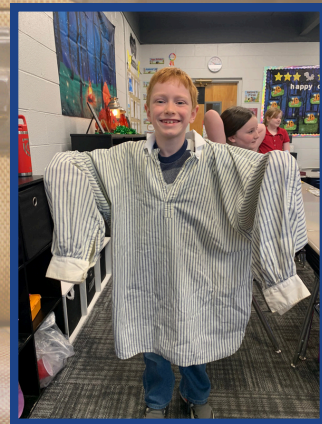
On Thursday, the sixth grade class enjoyed a fun way to get a deeper understanding of the characters in Richard Peck's novel [A Long Way From Chicago](#). Each student chose a character from the adventure and dressed up like them. They gave a presentation about who they were, sharing key details about their character's personality and role in the story. The students were transported back to 1929 and what it was like to spend summers with crazy Grandma Dowdel in a small, rural Illinois town. Excitement filled the room as students brought the story to life with their creative costumes and engaging presentations.

-Melissa Scannapiego

MUSEUM & Cultural Center at 5IVE Points

Second Grade enjoyed our on campus field trip about Pioneer Days! Julie Mitchell, the Education Programs Manager from the Five Points Museum, brought our class a trunk full of pioneer life items for the students to see up close. They learned the hard work and preparation that went into cooking and providing for your family. They took turns on the butter churner and practiced grinding coffee beans. Students really enjoyed trying on different pioneer clothes and learned about the different amounts of layers that were needed for warmth. They learned pioneer children were similar to them and played with toys! However their toys were made of wood and other simple materials, but still was a lot of fun! Second Grade students thoroughly enjoyed this hands-on learning opportunity and it helped them to visualize and understand Pioneer living.

-Rebecca Hake



Recently, the Fourth and Fifth grade Social Studies classes were visited by two "Traveling Trunks" from the Museum Center at 5 Points. Students were able to learn more about early American history by seeing and touching artifacts from specific time periods. Fourth grade students discovered more about the Revolutionary War while Fifth grade learned about World War I. These trunks were an interesting and fun way to bring history alive and we are looking forward to hosting more trunks next year!

-Sarah Van Dyke



HAWK HIGHLIGHTS

Middle School Volleyball Secures First Win of the Season

The Middle School Lady Hawks Volleyball team celebrated their first victory of the season last week, defeating OLPH in a hard-fought match. The team's success came from strong contributions across the board, with players stepping up in key moments. Though the Lady Hawks fell short in their matches against the Patriots and St. Jude, their determination and growing confidence were evident.

This week, the Lady Hawks are gearing up for big matchups against Grace and Belvoir in a tri-match, followed by a rematch against St. Jude. The team continues to show steady improvement, with eighth graders Gracie Gilbert, Scarlet McPherson, and Sophia Adams providing consistent leadership on and off the court. Their efforts are helping set the tone for the younger players and driving the team's competitive spirit.

High School Tennis Opens Season with Solid Performance

The High School Boys and Girls Tennis teams kicked off their season with a competitive match against Bradley Central High School. With several newcomers stepping onto the court for their first experience with competitive tennis, both teams showed promise. The Hawks played with determination and displayed noticeable progress, even against tough competition.

Amelia Shepherd won three games in her singles match, and a number of girls won one or two games and their matches. Caleb Cigliano and Jack Ellis won four games in their doubles match. Coach Travato said every player had a "never give up" attitude in their matches.

As the season continues, the teams are eager to build on their early performances. With more matches ahead, both squads are committed to improving their skills and gaining valuable match experience.

The TCPS community is encouraged to come out and support all of our spring sports teams as they continue to grow and compete with heart. Go Hawks!



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JUNE 2-6: VOLLEYBALL CAMP

JULY 7-11:

PAINTING & DRAWING
CAMP

JUNE 9-13: MUSICAL THEATER CAMP

JULY 14-18:

BASKETBALL CAMP

JUNE 16-20: SOCCER CAMP

JULY 21-25:

STEAM CAMP

JUNE 23-27: CHEERLEADING & TUMBLING
CAMP

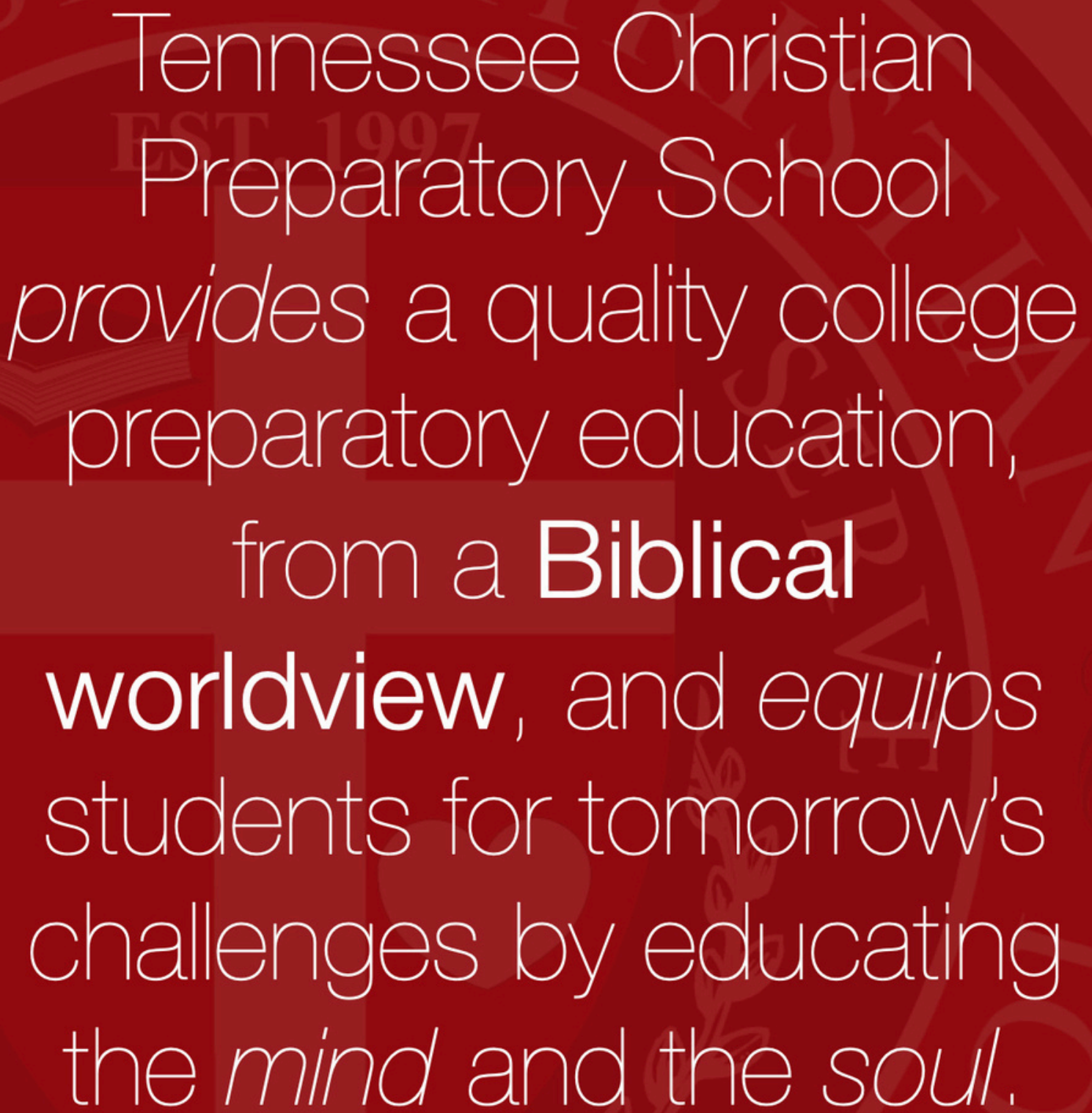
JULY 28-AUG 1: HAND SEWING/
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