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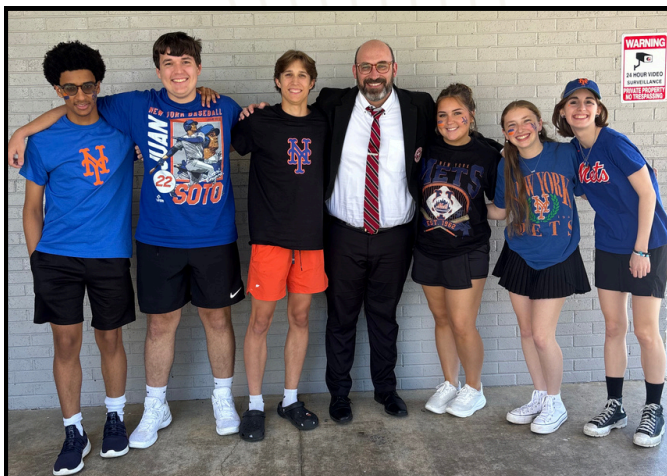
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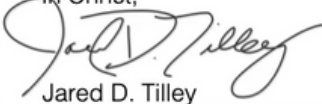


# from the Head


The junior class at Tennessee Christian certainly made their mark on the last full day of school--earning themselves a memorable start to the new school year with a detention scheduled for August 13. Their offenses were deep. Skipping Chapel dress, proudly sporting New York Mets gear, hacking into the school TVs to flash the Mets logo, and even streaming a Mets game during my History class. Being a lifelong Atlanta Braves fan, this act causes me to reflect and realize my errors in educating the next generation. Egregious, yes! All in good fun, of course! Most importantly, moments like these reflect something special about our Tennessee Christian community. Through a tradition that is seeing its fifth year, the junior class is specifically building a culture of connection and joy. We cherish these moments as a school.

We look forward to the Upper School retreat, the Trike-a-thon, International Day, and more because we can do these events together as a community. I am excited to spend the first day we return in detention with our seniors. They are a great bunch of young people!



In Christ,  
  
Jared D. Tilley

# HAWK HOP



Our annual Hawk Hop gives enrolled kindergarteners a fun, relaxed preview of what's to come! Each May, incoming students "hop" over to kindergarten to spend a few hours with Mrs. Dodson and Mrs. Hope, exploring the classroom, meeting new friends, and getting comfortable in their future learning space.

This special time helps ease first-day jitters, for both students and parents, by building familiarity and confidence early on. It's a warm welcome to the exciting world of kindergarten, and we can't wait for the fall to see these little Hawks every day!

-Lindsay Sluder





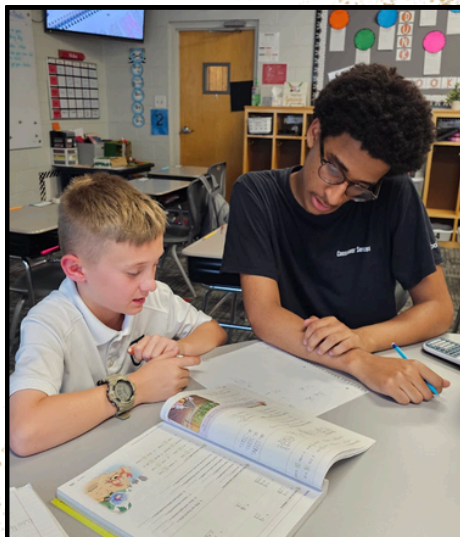


## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

This school year, I placed a challenge before our members to raise the profile of the National Honor Societies both on and off campus. This would include regular meetings, and a greater presence of service in our community. Our members raised the bar and left a legacy for future generations of TCPS Honor Society members. They began a Peer-to-Peer Tutoring Program, the Wednesday Upper School Clean-up, and Aftercare Volunteer Assistance. Members participated in the Heritage Bank Thanksgiving Food Drive, conducted a Peanut Butter and Jelly Drive to help feed hungry children during the summer months, and have begun a partnership with The Caring Place. On Tuesday, May 20, NHS and NJHS members volunteered three hours of their time at the Caring Place. They stocked shelves, sorted clothing, checked neighbors out at the food pantry, and hauled groceries out to vehicles, and they did so with maturity and grace.

With the challenge to raise the NHS profile came the challenge to shift to a truly student-led organization, and the students worked tirelessly to make this a reality. I am so proud of how hard our Honor Society members worked this year, and I am constantly impressed with how they hold a true desire to develop a servant's heart, serving God by serving people. Our members faithfully upheld our motto, Soli Deo Gloria, Glory to God Alone

-April Sopczak, NHS/NJHS Advisor





# FIFTH GRADE Bridge Ceremony







# KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION





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**JUNE 16-20:** SOCCER CAMP

**JUNE 23-27:** CHEERLEADING & TUMBLING  
CAMP

**JULY 7-11:**

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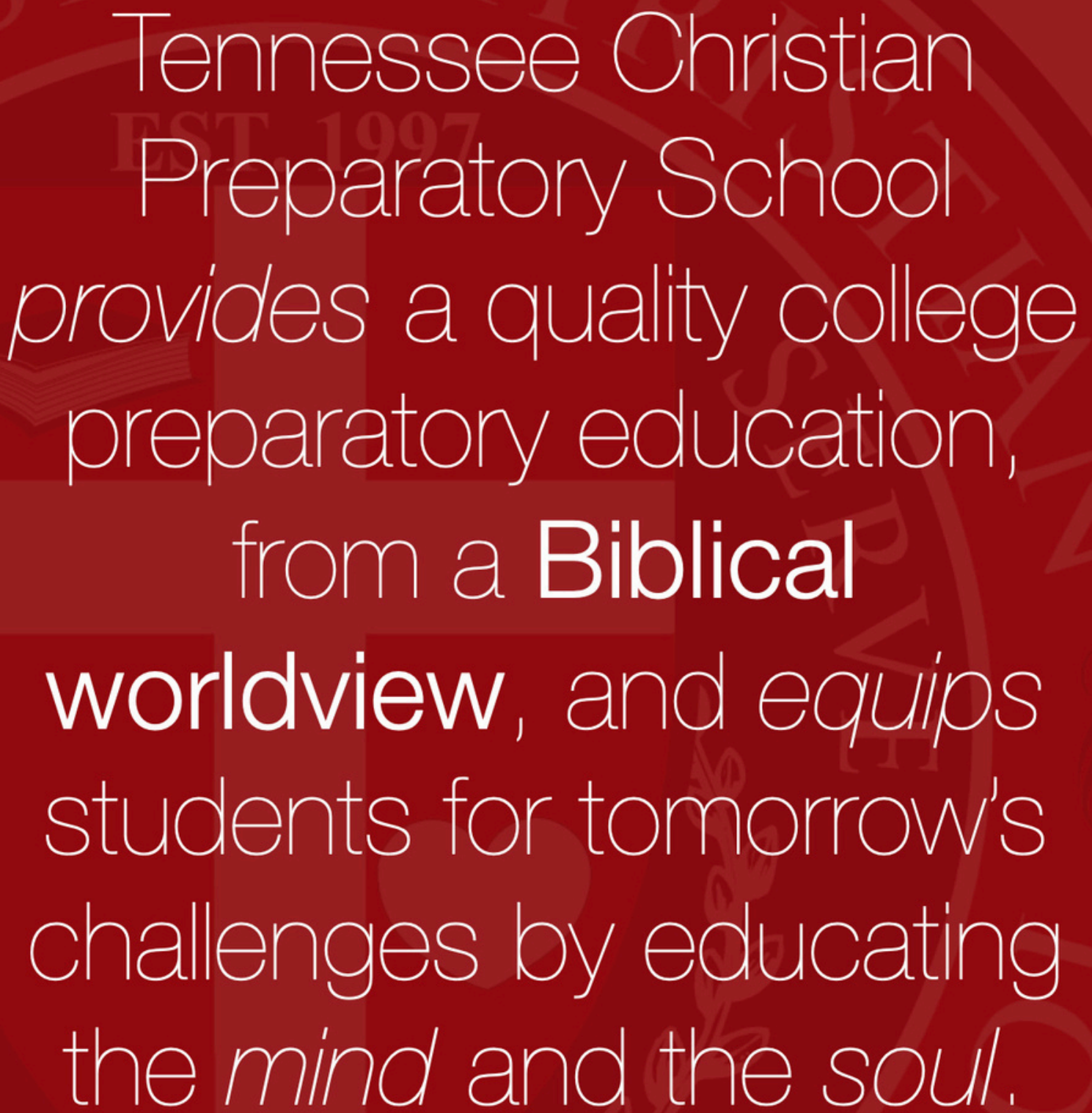




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