

from the Head

Seeing our students worship during
Wednesday Chapel is a beautiful thing. With
voices raised, the students lift their praise to
our Heavenly Father. Our Wednesday Chapel
is set aside for our community to worship,
reflect, and grow closer to Christ. Witnessing
our students engaged in worship is humbling
and a cherished moment. Worship in Chapel



is more than just singing songs and listening to a teaching; this time is set apart to express our relationship with God. When students sing words of praise, they are declaring their faith and trust in Him. When they listen and apply the teaching, they open themselves up to growth. Chapel is a weekly reminder that worship is both vertical, our praise to God, and horizontal, how we live out the praise among a community like Tennessee Christian.

With that in mind, the true test of worship is how it translates outside of Wednesday morning. Worship is not just singing songs but reflecting God's love to all those around us, living out I Corinthians 13 throughout our daily walk. Worship should be heard in the words we speak, the actions of our hands, and the grace we show. All three should point towards Christ.

Engaging in daily worship through teaching God's children to reflect God's light in all we do is essential at Tennessee Christian. I am so thankful for the opportunity your families have placed in us as an extension of your family. We cherish the opportunity to partner with your family and help raise children to honor our Father in all they do.

In Christ,

Jared D. Tilley

ERVING With heart

"Tennessee Christian Preparatory School provides a quality college preparatory education, from a biblical worldview, and equips students for tomorrow's challenges by educating the mind and the soul."

This mission statement is not only at the heart of our school, but it also reflects God's mission for us: to nurture students in both knowledge and faith so they are prepared to live out His calling in their lives. At Tennessee Christian, we strive to put this into practice each day in our classrooms and across our school community. One shining example is Junior Amelia Shepherd, who is using her time and talents to serve our Lower School students in meaningful ways.

Amelia has chosen to use one of her elective blocks to be Ms. Arm's teacher assistant in 2nd grade. She helps students sound out tricky words, works with them to solve math problems, and sparks conversations that keep them excited about learning. Even more importantly, Amelia is modeling what it means to walk with Christ as an upper school student. To any of our second graders, she is more than just a helper. She is a role model they look up to and admire. Beyond the classroom, Amelia also shines as a standout volleyball player, showing leadership, teamwork, and commitment that make her a positive influence on and off the court.

This experience is shaping Amelia as she considers a future career in education. At the same time, she's making a lasting difference in the lives of the students she serves. Our younger students benefit from her encouragement and example, and Amelia is discovering her own strengths and passions as a leader. It is a powerful reminder that at Tennessee Christian, our mission isn't just words on a page. It is lived out daily through students like Amelia, who are preparing their minds, nurturing their souls, and impacting others for Christ.







HAWK HIGHLIGHTS

The first full week of fall athletics at Tennessee Christian Preparatory School brought exciting competition, growth, and memorable performances across four sports.

High School Volleyball

The Lady Hawks Volleyball team, led by Coach Georgia McPherson, earned their first SCAA conference win Friday with a sweep of Mt. Pisgah. The JV squad set the tone with a 2-1 set victory before the varsity dominated 3-0 in sets. Coach McPherson credited strong serving from Isabelle McKeown, smart shot-making by Amelia Shepherd, and impressive digs and serves from Scarlet McPherson. The win was a strong response after Tuesday's hard-fought loss to Cleveland Christian, leaving the Lady Hawks at 1-1 overall and in conference play. TCPS now looks ahead to a busy week with matches against Christ Legacy, Rhea Academy, and Berean Academy.





Cross Country

The Hawks and Lady Hawks Cross Country teams impressed at Saturday's Magna Mile. Middle School standouts included Kanyon Swilley (6:45), Kai Ahlers (6:47), Henry Sluder (6:58), achieving his sub 7:00 goal, and Kayden Swilley (7:22). On the high school side, Eli Ahlers placed 14th overall with a blazing 5:20, followed by strong times from Boston Morrow (5:56), Izaiah Bocanegra (6:03), Sam Tyner (6:21), and Josh Chabel (6:37). The boys' squad placed third overall as a team. In the girls' race, Audrey Lyles ran a 7:57, and Zoey Bocanegra showed great promise with an 11:50. Next up: the first ISC meets, with Lower and Middle School teams competing Monday and High School teams on Tuesday at Woodland Park.

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High School Boys Golf

The Hawks, coached by Micah Nicolaus, battled McMinn Central on Tuesday in a tough match. Thomas Nicolaus led the team, tying in his match with a score of 40. Other Hawk scores included: Joey Meir (48), Sam Tyner (50), Graham Sluder (51), Boston Morrow (52), Dean Goff (54), and Jack Ellis (58). Both Morrow and Goff competed in their first-ever high school rounds, showing promise for the future. The Hawks are focused on steady improvement and are eager for victories ahead.



Middle School Tennis

The Middle School Boys and Girls Tennis teams, under new coach Erin DeBusk, opened their season on the road against Baylor, one of the toughest opponents on this season's schedule. The Lady Hawks also faced GPS later in the week. While results didn't fall in TCPS's favor, Coach DeBusk praised her team: "Our players showed determination, resilience, a positive spirit, and encouraged each other. They competed with integrity and represented TCPS with grace and sportsmanship." With this foundation, the season is shaping up to be a winning one in character and growth.



Flag Football - Season Kickoff

History will be made this week as TCPS debuts its Coed Flag Football program, led by Coach Lee Cigliano. The Hawks open their inaugural season Friday, August 29, at 8:00 PM against Clayton Bradley at NACA in Dayton. Excitement is high as the team prepares to take the field for the first time.









Learning Cottage

Mini Fridge K-2	\$180
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Truck Climber Pre-K Playground	\$400
Construction Toys	\$20

Lower School

Moby Max	\$1114
• Boogie Boards Writing Tablets K (Set of 13)	. \$225
Low Wattage Microwave 5th	\$97
• 8-person picnic table outside K Classroom	.\$270
• 8-person picnic table for Playground	.\$270
8-person picnic table for Courtyard	.\$270

Middle and Upper School

Printer for Science Lab	\$330
6 Bunson Burners (\$47 each)	\$286
Force Table Science Lab	\$190
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Add ARTSTOR to JSTOR (adds images)	\$339

Campus Wide

 Portable Sound System and Mic Stand.....\$1000

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2025 National Honor Society WINTER IS COMING COAT DRIVE

The National Honor Society will be conducting a coat drive to benefit foster children in our area.



What is needed:

Coats, hats, scarves, gloves, boots, mittens – in any size, baby through adult



When:

September 8 - 12





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