

# *the* talon

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# *from the* **Head**

Tennessee Christian's Upper School students ventured off campus for a three-day retreat at Camp Woodmont located atop Lookout Mountain. Surrounded by God's creation, students participated in the community. Led by Chloe Hinchcliff, the students and teachers played games that challenged their ability to weave their bodies through a hula-hoop, throw their shoes onto a wooden plank, create cheers and flags, and do a balloon dance! The students remained active and engaged throughout the warm, humid days. Our community grew together through small groups and our morning and evening chapels. The teachers' focus in leading our students through understanding what it means to "Be the Light" was a tremendous opportunity for our community to grasp, take hold of, and make an essential part of our daily walk. We were able to come together and pray for each other.

As an administrator, having former alums attend the event was a joy each offering support and wisdom to the students at the Upper School Retreat. I am thrilled to see the communities togetherness; it was evident walking on campus this morning. The nerves and fears from freshmen to seniors had diminished, leaving only excitement to be learning.

Thank you to the teachers who expertly played the role of camp counselor for the weekend. Your dedication to the students is unmatched. Thank you to the parents who attended and helped hype and strategize the games! Thank you for being the light to our students.

In Christ,  
  
Jared D. Tilley



# WE ARE *Better together*

Pass, Set, Kill It! Our women's volleyball team has been doing just that! They have been working hard all summer long, from conditioning and weight lifting to drills and agilities, to early morning mile runs. These girls have been putting in the effort to make this year's season a definite success. Although each individual has strived for excellence this summer, they quickly adopted the mantra "Better Together". Each athlete has worked to perfect their serves and has been determined to lock down their approaches to hitting, but the realization "hit" that when they work together and encourage one another, the team looks better. The team feels better. The team really is stronger, faster, better together. They have learned to rely on the strengths of their teammates and contribute where they can, whether it be with impossible-to-return serves, awesome digs, tips that trick, or encouraging words that lift the spirits of their teammates.

The motivation behind this kind of work ethic comes from Colossians 3:23 which states, "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters." They have decided to use their gifts and talents to glorify the Lord and serve him wherever needed. Fortunately, they were given several opportunities over the summer to serve on the TCPS Campus. The Lady Hawks stepped up to the challenge with willing hands to clean desks that would soon fill the fifth grade classroom. They had a hand in helping with the Upper School Science room so that Mrs. Smith could conduct experiments without catching the floor on fire. And if you have noticed the gym sparkling these days, yep! You guessed it! The Lady Hawks worked tirelessly to deep clean the gym so our P.E. classes and athletic teams could have a clean slate to the year.

I am beyond proud to coach this team! I am thankful for the opportunity to continue in a sport that I love and share in that with these young ladies. Through the ups with wins and the downs in our losses, we will remain victorious and give God the glory for whatever this season gives us. We will strive for excellence to impress only the audience of One.



# *first day* of 2023-2024





# United Way



## DAY OF ACTION

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Hebrews 15:16



With supplies in tow, car after car of Lee University employees filled our campus on July 28th to take part in United Way's Day of Action. Our community was fortunate enough to be a recipient of this group's hard work. On one of the hottest day of the summer, they spread mulch, shampooed carpets, pressure washed sidewalks and washed windows. They worked nonstop to help get our campus ready for our students, all with smiles on their faces.

United Way of the Ocoee Region defines their Day of Action as an unforgettable, hands-on experience, while actively improving the community and spending quality time with fellow volunteers. The employees at Lee University did those things precisely and we were so thankful to have their presence and gifts of service on our campus.







please join us  
for the  
second annual

# No-Show Gala

August 31, 2023

presented by Tennessee Christian Preparatory School Family Teacher Organization  
Board of Directors

Seth and Sarah Ford

Daniel and Sarah Barham  
Allen and Joanna Butler  
Steve and Jennifer Hartline

Travis and Alanna Henry  
Lebron and Heather Lackey  
Josh and Erika Olmstead





# Menu

## Learning Cottage

- Landscaping...\$600
- Six 36inch Window Boxes...\$90 each
- Playground Mud Kitchen...\$200
- Three large (10ft-12ft) group time rugs...\$400 each

## Lower School

- P.E. Equipment...\$300
- Spanish Flip Chart...\$48

## Middle and Upper School

- TV for Middle School History Room...\$359
- Mount for TV for Middle School History Room TV...\$28
- 9 Square Castle Game...\$650

## Fine Arts

- Four Flip Form Risers...\$1193 each

## General

- TV for Chapel and other Events...\$430
- Two Carts for Metal Chairs.....\$275 each
- Three sets of Walkie-talkies for teachers...\$179 each set
- Popcorn Machine for events...\$375
- Two ChromeCast...\$42 each
- Turf for two GaGa ball pits...\$600 each
- Any donation...priceless



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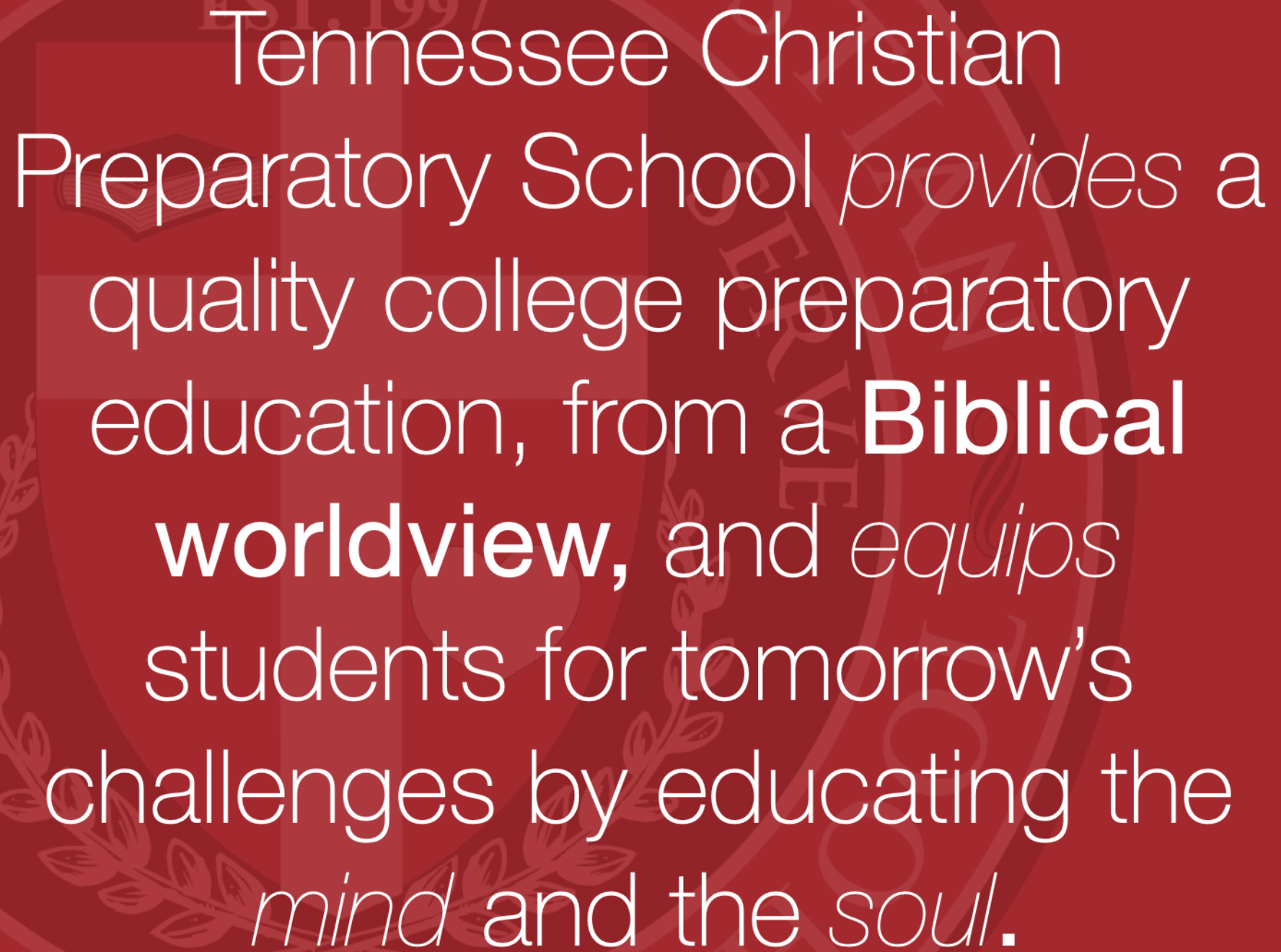
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