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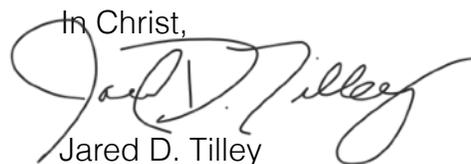
# from the Head

In the autumn of 1621, select members of the Wampanoag tribe and the remaining 52 of the 102 Mayflower travelers joined together in a multiple-day-long celebration of a successful fall harvest. As our school breaks for Thanksgiving next week and celebrates the holiday, let us remember the importance of the tradition that traces its roots back to 1621: community.

Community is at the bedrock of the Christ faith. As Christ declared His ministry after His baptism, He gathered disciples to His cause, creating community. The men that Jesus associated with saw the miracles and wonders that Christ performed, even the bountiful harvest of feeding the five thousand. What a celebration that must have been!

Christ surrounded himself with a community of people believing in Jesus' cultural and spiritual redefining statements and claims. They saw healing miracles, heard parables that reshaped their thoughts, and had their feet washed by their Christ. Christ loved his small community of disciples even though He knew a couple would betray and deny him. Despite their failings He loved them still!

The community Christ created in the 1st century AD stays with us today, as do the lessons we can learn from Christ. Through His example, let us embrace the overwhelming love we receive each day from our Father and share that love freely amongst our community. Let us not isolate but engage. Let us not be self-preserving but forgiving. Through His example, we can fully embrace the community Christ modeled roughly two thousand years ago. I pray this Thanksgiving that we can risk loving others crafting a community that models Him because we are loved unconditionally by our Father.

In Christ,  
  
Jared D. Tilley

# HOMECOMING WEEK

**MONDAY 06**

**Pajama Day**



**TUESDAY 07**

**Anything But a Backpack Day**



**WEDNESDAY 08**

**Fancy Clothes and What are Those?**



**THURSDAY 09**

**Spirit Day**



# PEP

*go hawks!*

# RALLY

Our Hawk pride was on full display during last Thursday's pep rally as our Lower, Middle, and Upper Schools all gathered to celebrate our fall sports' teams. The gym was transformed into a vibrant sea of red, black, and white as students cheered on their fellow classmates during games of "Bronco, Baby, Backpack" and "gotcha." The celebration continued as athletes were recognized for their hard work and all of the cheerleading squads performed together. However, many students might say that the most exciting part of the event was the revealing of our hawk mascot's new name - Hank! We are proud to say that as our student body grows, so does our school spirit. Go Hawks!



# HOMECOMING GAMES

The Lady Hawks picked up their second win of the young season in Thursday's homecoming game against Paideia Academy, improving to 2-0 for the 2023-24 campaign. TCPS handled Paideia's relentless full-court press throughout the game while playing tenacious defense. The Hawks forced multiple turnovers that converted to points with a final score of 65 to 41. Leading the way for the Lady Hawks was Morgan Armstrong with 22 points. Maggie Botts, Ashlyn Henry and Abigail Shepherd all scored for the Lady Hawks that evening. Congratulations ladies on a fantastic start to the season. Go Lady Hawks!

The TCPS Hawks used a strong first quarter start to defeat Paideia 55-37. The Hawks were led by Isaiah Munoz's 23 points who led all scorers for the second game in a row. Munoz was not alone in helping the Hawk's cause as other Hawk players scored - Riley Sharpe and Joey Meir. The Hawks biggest runs during the game came in the 1st and 3rd quarters as they outscored Paideia by a combined score of 38-15. With the victory the Hawks improved their record to 2-0.



**WOMEN**

**SCORE**

65

41

**MEN**

**SCORE**

55

37



# homecoming COURT



9th Grade:  
Riley Sharpe &  
Frannie McPherson



10th Grade:  
Judah Machacek  
& Bryn Corley



11th Grade:  
Franklin Campbell  
& Sydney Goff



12th Grade:  
Isaiah Muñoz &  
Oksana Goroshko



2023 Homecoming  
King & Queen:  
Mr. Isaiah Muñoz &  
Ms. Georgia McPherson



12th Grade:  
Ben Sluder &  
Georgia McPherson

*upper school*  
HOMECOMING  
DANCE





# Sports & Stars

## MIDDLE SCHOOL MIXER

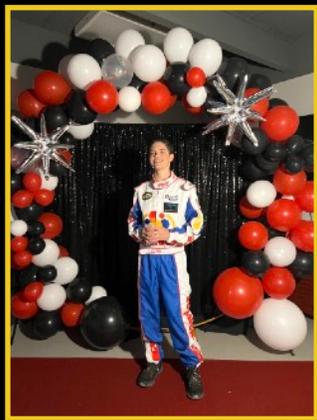
The Middle School Homecoming Mixer is always a highly anticipated event! Our eighth graders are given the opportunity to choose the theme for the mixer. This year's theme was Sports and Stars. The night was full of fun, dancing, laughter, and great moments that the students would remember forever.



To kick off the evening with style, a red carpet entrance awaited the students. The teachers acted as the paparazzi. They took their pictures making the students feel like they were celebrities for the night. The sixth grade girls were Taylor Swift, dressing in the different eras from her tour. There were a few Travis Kelce's in the mix as well! The seventh grade girls all wore Braves jerseys. There were some

Tennessee Vols players, baseball players including Benny the Jet Rodriguez from The Sandlot, and race car driver, Ricky Bobby. When they entered the gym, they were transported into a night under the stars. The dance floor was lit up by twinkling lights. DJ, Dewayne Williams from Mix 104.1 played a mix of popular dance tunes. The night started off with "Church Clap" Then the boys and girls put in their song requests to

play for each other. The boys showcased their dance moves to Right Foot Creep and Fortnite and the girls showed their moves to Cotton Eyed Joe and Taylor Swift. The students had a great time dancing and enjoying each other's company.



As the night came to a close, several students asked, "Is it already time to leave?" "I wish it could last longer!" Students left the gymnasium with smiles on their faces and memories in their hearts. The students created a magical evening that will be remembered for years to come.

**THE LINK TO SIGN UP FOR YOUR DIVISION'S  
POTLUCK IS IN THIS WEEK'S TALON EMAIL.**



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PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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*lunch* **POTLUCK**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH**

11:00 AM for Lower School

12:30 PM for Middle & Upper School

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## One Week Sessions

May 26-31

June 16-21

July 7-12

## Two Week Sessions

June 2-14

June 23-July 5

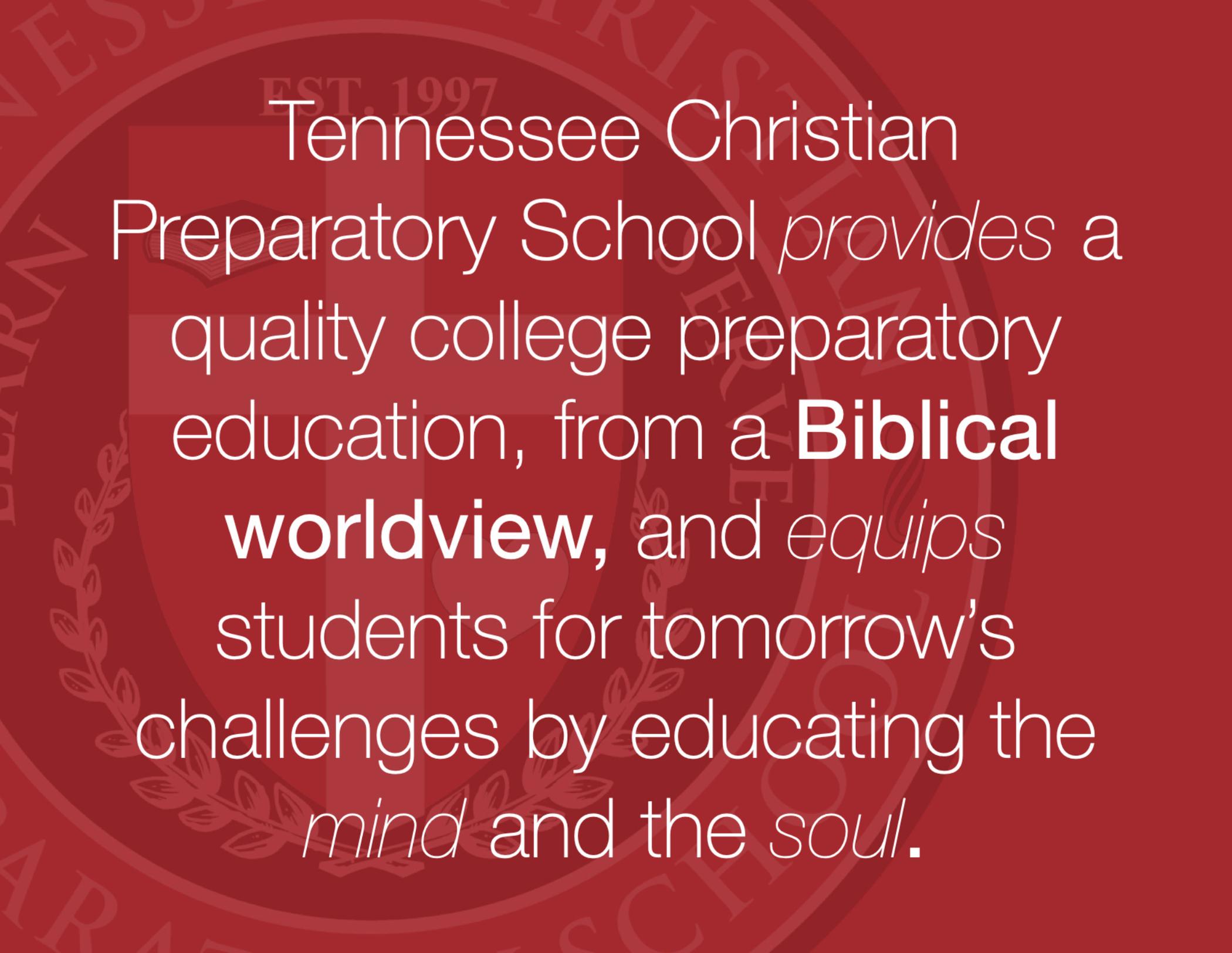
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