



Trinity Christian Academy

Celebrating Our Past, Teaching For The Future!

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ANNUAL APPEAL LETTER

For Such A Time As This...

QUICK FACTS

- Celebrating our 45th year of Christian Education on Cape Cod.
- Candidate for Accreditation with NEASC & ACSI - 2011
- Offering Grades Pre K–12th
- Enrollment: 132 Students
- FT- Faculty & Admin. Staff-18
- PT- Faculty & Admin. Staff-12
- Max Class Size: 16
- Size of Campus: 6.9 acres
- Tuition Rate: \$6,507 - \$8,098
- Financial Aid: 42% of Students
- 100% College Matriculation

• **Elementary Curriculum & Activities:** Bible, Reading, Writing, Science, Math & History. Weekly Chapel, Gym, Library Class, Music, Art, Spanish, Computers. Band, Choir, Seasonal Concerts, Music Lessons, Recorders, Soccer, Golf, Bowling Club. Speech Meet, Science Fair, Math Olympics. Field Trips, Extended Day.

• **Junior High & High School Curriculum & Activities** Math, Science, English, History, Bible, Drama, Music Theory, Art, Technology, Senior High Thesis, PSAT Testing, International French & Latin Exams, Advanced Placement Testing, Foreign Languages: Latin, French & Spanish. Band, Yearbook, Soccer, Basketball, Golf, Bowling, Hand Bell Choir, Science Fair, 7th Grade National Seashore Trip, 8th Grade Washington, D.C. Trip, High School Foreign Language Trips, Student Council, Hiking Club, Winter & Spring Social Activities.

At the start of this school year I received a beautiful note card, the front of which had these words inscribed: **“Some gifts you hold in your hand. . . Some you hold in your heart.”** Inside the card was the following handwritten note:

“When I think of what you have given to our grandson, I thank God for every remembrance of you! In financially enabling him to attend Trinity for another year, you ‘have made the way’ and we are all grateful. At times like this there are just no words.” (TCA Grandparent)

I cherish this thank you note because it is a wonderful testimony of God’s faithfulness and provision in a young boy’s life that he will never forget. He had resigned himself to the fact that it was not financially feasible for his family to re-enroll him at Trinity. This student’s story is just one example of how the financial aid fund has helped 42 percent of our students attend Trinity.

The best way for me to convey

the significance of your sacrificial giving is to share an excerpt from a recent study by the Barna Research Group:

“...a person’s worldview is primarily shaped and is firmly in place by the time someone reaches the age of 13; it is refined through experience during the teen and early adult years; and then it is passed on to others during their adult life.” Such studies underscore the necessity of parents and other influencers being intentional in how they help develop the worldview of children...Christian families, Christian schools, and Christian churches would be wise to invest more effort and tangible resources into helping young people understand and adopt the core ideas of Christianity, and to reinforce those concepts through their own lives. Barna further points out: *“without such an investment, the current generational patterns indicate that the future of the Christian Church is likely to be one that has even less of a connection to biblical principles than is evident today.”* (Read more at www.barna.org)

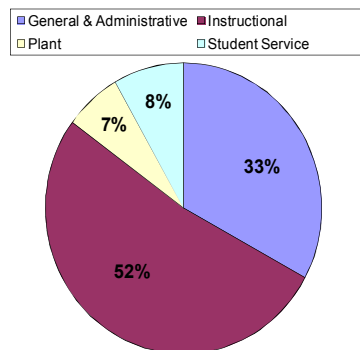
I believe that Trinity Christian Academy of Cape Cod exists for “such a time as this.” I invite you once again to partner with us by making a gift to our Annual Fund. Your gift helps us provide academic excellence, prepare our students with a strong Christian worldview, and grow their faith so that they will have a positive impact on the world.

Trinity Christian Academy is a nonprofit 501 (C) (3) and your gift is tax deductible as allowable by law. For your convenience, we have enclosed a response form and envelope with this newsletter.

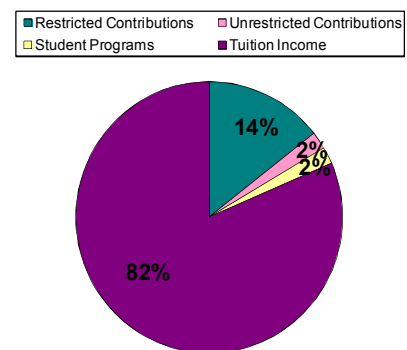
Thank you for your prayerful consideration. Your willingness to give the gift that you hold in your hand, will be eternally held in the hearts and minds of future generations.

Yours for Christian education,
Ben Haskell
Headmaster

TCA Operating Expenses
2010-2011



TCA Sources of Funding
2010-2011



Accreditation Update



Trinity just completed an extensive Self-Study as a requirement for accreditation with the New England Association of Schools and College (NEASC) and Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI).



Fourteen Standards Committees comprised of faculty, staff, board, and parents all met several times beginning in January 2011 and ending in August 2011. Every area of the school was evaluated: *Mission, Governance, Enrollment, Program, Early Childhood Program, Resources to Support the Program, Experience of the Students, Faculty, Administration, Health and Safety, Communication, Infrastructure and the Accreditation Process.*

Based on the recommendations of each Standard Committee, Trinity has already made several improvements. Some examples include drafting a technology plan, finalizing a crisis management plan, and fine tuning policies and procedures. Our faculty also spent several months updating our curriculum guide for all Pre-K-12th grade subjects and made great progress on a curriculum scope and sequence. In addition, the Board of Trustees has been working on a long-term strategic plan.

A team of seven educators visited our campus from November 6 through November 9 to observe, research, interview and evaluate Trinity.

As a result of the visiting team's findings, they have informed us that they will be recommending Trinity for accreditation to the NEASC and ACSI Commissions. The official decision from both Commissions will be determined sometime in February.

We want to commend our faculty, staff, board, parents and students for their commitment and hard work toward school improvement. The entire process of the Self-Study has truly benefitted the entire community. We are excited about the future of Trinity!

Yours for Christian Education,
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A New Sign for Trinity



Thanks to the generosity of Pat Hassett, Trinity Christian Academy has a new sign at our front entrance! The new sign was handcrafted by Tom Olsen & Olsen Marine and features Trinity's new logo. Thank you, Mrs. Hassett. Drive by and take a look!

2nd Annual Hoop-A-Thon Raises Over \$27,000 for Technology!



Our second annual Hoop-A-Thon was held on October 14th at the Hyannis Recreational Youth Center. Students raised over \$17,000 by shooting baskets and collecting pledges. A generous donor contributed an additional \$10,000 challenge gift for a total of over \$27,000. This year's theme was ***Nothing but Networks! Proceeds will fund new Technology for Trinity!***

Ten percent of the \$17,000 raised by the students will be donated to three nonprofit charities that were determined by a vote from the students. All remaining proceeds will help provide new computers for the students and staff. Thank You for your support!!!



SAVE THE DATE!



MAY 4, 2012

The Cape Codder Resort

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Join us for our Annual Spring Banquet & 45th Anniversary Celebration!

Featuring Keynote Speaker, Dr. Del Tackett



Dr. Del Tackett is the author, architect and teacher for ***The Truth Project***, a nationwide initiative designed to bring the Christian worldview to the body of Christ endorsed by Focus on the Family.

An adjunct professor at New Geneva Theological Seminary and Summit Ministries, Dr. Tackett served more than 20 years in the United States Air Force. During the George H. W. Bush administration, he served at the White House, where he was appointed by President Bush as the director of technical planning for the National Security Council. Dr. Tackett later served in various senior analyst and manager capacities at Kaman Sciences Corporation and ITT Industries.

As a professor, Dr. Tackett has taught more than 30 undergraduate and graduate courses at three different institutions, over a 12 year period. He is also an ordained elder in the Presbyterian Church in America. Dr. Tackett holds three earned degrees (D.M., Colorado Technical University; M.S., Auburn University; B.S., Kansas State University).

Dr. Tackett has published a variety of written works including articles in Focus on the Family magazine that address worldview and cultural issues. He has had several technical articles and manuals published by the U.S. Air Force.

A sought-after conference speaker, Dr. Tackett addresses topics such as American Christian heritage, Christian worldview, technical subjects and management. Del and his wife Melissa have been married since 1972. They have four grown children.

