

Trinity Eagle News

Week of March 30, 2020

Administrator's Note: -

"Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God" (Php. 4:5-6).

Paul penned these words to the church in Philippi when he was imprisoned under unjust accusations. His thoughts and concerns did not lead him to frustration, rather the apostle Paul laid out the core focus of a holy mindset in the midst of trouble.

His command of "do not be anxious about anything" is followed with the guide of giving everything up in prayer and supplication with thanksgiving. The fragrant offering of prayers is sweetened by our realization that everything good comes from our heavenly Father. Our heartfelt pleas to God are buttressed with the awe of gratitude.

God knows that we have basic needs (Matt. 6:25-34), though we are told to "seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you" (v. 33). In this process, we acknowledge our total dependence upon God's goodness and cry out, as the early Christians cried, "*Μαρانا θα*"; 'Come, our Lord!'

- David J. Murray, Administrator

Biblical Theme: "Psalms of Praise!"

April: My Soul Thirsts

Family Devotions: Psalm 42:1-2; 11; Php. 4:4-7

Memory Verse:

"As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God? ... Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God. Ps. 42:1-2; 11

Second Semester Verse:

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Php. 4:4-7

Drop off/Pick up (Apr. 3rd):

Due to the unfolding situation with the coronavirus, we will extend our regular on-campus learning activities until further notice and we request that families come into TA for a drop off/pick up on this **Friday, April 3rd from 9-12.**

For this drop off/pick up, parents can drop off assignments to be assessed, enrollment forms and payments, and trap shoot tickets and payment. Parents should also receive their child(ren)'s worksheets, literature books, assessed work, report cards, and Seton test results. *Families that would prefer to remain in their vehicle will have the material brought to them. The administration/office will be on the lookout for those parked outside the school.

Digital Wax Museum:

Please continue to have students practice and work on their Wax Museum characters. We request that parents record their child(ren)'s speech(es) and send it to the classroom teacher by April 2nd. Afterwards, we will make a compilation of the different speeches and post it for all families to see (minus the students whose parents signed a 'no media' consent form).

Upcoming Dates:

- ◆ Thursday, Apr. 2: Wax Museum (email to classroom teachers)
- ◆ Friday, Apr. 3: Drop off/Pick-up
- ◆ Saturday, Apr. 4: Raffle Drawing
- ◆ Wednesday, Apr. 8 - Monday, Apr. 13: Spring Break - No school

Re-enrollment and Enrollment (April 17th):

Thank you to our families who have turned in their registration forms. God continues to push us forward and to affirm that he has great things planned for this school and our families.

Due to our circumstances, our early bird re-enrollment process on FACTS has been extended to April 17th. To do this, go to Family>Enrollment/Re-Enrollment and fill out each section. You must create a login for the Parent Portal on FACTS. Instructions were sent out earlier on how to login.

Application/Re-enrollment Fees are \$25/family (no new enrollees) OR \$50/family (with a new enrollee) by April 17. After April, re-enrollment fees will be \$50/family for returning students (\$75 with a new enrollee).

Once the re-enrollment process is completed online, please pay the re-enroll enrollment fee in the office.

We have also started processing new applications, which is very exciting to see who God is bringing to Trinity for the 2020-21 school year!

Communication and Weekly Lesson Overviews:

Dear TA Parents and Co-teachers,

Thank you for your patience, your partnership, your encouragement, and your hard work! We are blessed to be part of such an incredible family of believers that work in conjunction with one another.

As we assess these past couple of weeks, we realize there has been some struggle with various modes of communication and we would like to make this process more effective. So, to help provide clarity for our co-teachers, we will use one document for lesson plans in the Grammar School and one document for the Logic School. These documents were sent this past Saturday morning to our co-teachers.

All of our Trinity Academy teachers will utilize the Weekly Lesson Overview to provide lesson plans in the space allotted for them. Documents, websites, videos, further instructions, as well as Google Docs and Drives, will all be hyperlinked into the Weekly Lesson Overview.

If there are any questions, concerns, or feedback, please do not hesitate to reach out. Once again, thank you for all that you do!

In Christ,
David Murray

ITBS Summary:

Our 3rd-9th grade students take the ITBS test each February. We use this data to track student progress, to inform curricular decisions, and potentially identify areas of strength and opportunities for improvement. These tests cannot quantify much of what our students learn at Trinity, but it gives us a snapshot of certain skills.

A few highlights:

- Almost 1/2 of our students scored in the 80th percentile or higher for their core totals (includes all reading, math, and language subsets).
- Over 85% of all TA students scored above the National average for their core totals (over 55% scored above other private schools).
- Over 1/4 (26.6%) of our students scored above the 90th percentile in reading.
- Over half of the students who took the ITBS test last year at Trinity showed, on average, a 15 percentile increase in core totals.



Raffle Drawing (Trap Shoot):

The raffle drawing for the shotgun will be this Saturday, April 4th. All tickets, sold and unsold, along with the money need to be turned in to the school office by Friday, April 3rd.

