CRUSADER NEWS

Williston Trinity Christian School Newsletter

November/December 2015





I can remember my first pageant clearly. It was three years ago and I was so excited! I had been begging my parents to let me do one since I was little and they were finally letting me! At my first pageant, I was crowned Miss Chokecherry Outstanding Teen. The second year doing pageants, I was crowned Miss Oil Country Outstanding Teen. The third year was different though. I had just aged up into Miss, meaning I was now the youngest in my age category but that wasn't what was different. What was different was my attitude. Instead of being so competitive, I had prayed to the Lord and asked him for guidance on the upcoming pageant. He gave me strength to go in there not expecting anything and doing it just for fun. Much to my surprise, I won the highest title available - Miss Williston and high score talent and interview! I was so excited for the results but and take all the credit. The Lord definitely was with me in every stage of competition. Now after Miss Williston 2016 I can't take all the credit. The Lord definitely was receiving my title, I will promote my platform



around North Dakota. I'm looking forward to an exciting year! I couldn't have done it without the support of Trinity. I came to Trinity at the end of last year and since then, I have been blessed with so many

opportunities. Trinity has taught me to cast all my troubles on the Lord. It's a truly wonderful place and I am so glad I have had the opportunity to go here.

Dear Staff and Trinity family,

I would like to thank you all for endless support and encouragement this season. It has been a difficult road to get to where I am, and go where I am headed. But your love and support has guided me and helped me in ways I could have never imagined. I may only have been around for a short time, but these past two years have been the greatest of my entire life. I am so blessed to be able to attend this school and develop my relationship with Christ. God has placed amazing people in my life and I am so thankful for all of them. I am not running for myself, but for my school and all of those who have stood beside me. I am so proud to be a Crusader and wearing that name on my jersey means more than you'll ever know. God gives his toughest tests to his strongest people, and I know I have the power to do what he has told me. Thank you for your amazing support, and God Bless!



-JJ Bressler, Class of 2016

Cory Fleck—Superintendent/Principal



Word of the Year: HONOR

Our recurring theme this year is Romans 12:10, "Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above vourselves."

We have been truly blessed here at Williston Trinity Christian School. It started out this summer with an anonymous donor of \$100,000 for a matching Summer Fund Drive. We met the fund drive goals and fulfilled other needs as well. People stepped up and gave Bibles for the Chapel, a heavy duty basketball hoop, concrete for basketball court, a laminator for the teachers, three swipers for security doors, Spanish Education (Purple School - K and 1) for the first quarter of school, notebooks, a safety fence (north side of play-

ground), and lab equipment for the Science lab. Wow – God is Great!

Since then, we had our Fundraising Banquet on Saturday, October 10. We had a great turnout and it was a wonderful fundraiser. Jase Robertson was a testimony that Christian Families are a vital staple in a society that ever seems to be moving away from strong moral values. He stated that A & E's Duck Dynasty has been shown in over 100 countries. Wow! ...what a vessel that has carried the Gospel! Dr. Paul Alexander, President of Trinity Bible College, was also an outstanding spokesperson to spread the importance of Christian Education. It was a spectacular evening. The Banquet was a great pre-cursor to our Spiritual Emphasis Week (SEW) at the school. SEW also was a time of fellowship, praise, and worship of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for our students.

Financially, we are working on helping Williston Trinity Christian School become sustainable for the long term. Currently, the students are selling WTCS cards which give discounts to local businesses.

We would like to introduce a new program we are implementing called SCRIP. It is a program that doesn't change what you buy, but how you buy. Scripware is the company we are working with on a rebate benefit at www.shopwithscrip.com. Please contact Jackie in the front office or our Director of Development, Paul Brown (701) 580 – 8367 to get set up.

Academically, we have the best staff in the region. Having worked in the public system for many years, I believe our teachers are top notch. They have the passion to teach, the compassion to care, and the privilege to incorporate the Gospel to our youth. Spiritually, we have Pastors Jeremy and Jamie Weflen on staff for our Dean of Students position. They are a vital support that our students need in this everchanging and challenging world. They also lead our junior high/senior high youth chapel. Mrs. Lois Johnson who has been a staple at our school for many years, leads the elementary chapel. She is an exemplary teacher who has a passion for our kids.

We believe our staff promotes excellence, gives their best, and are an exceptional example and model for our students. We know alongside the parents, we are creating leaders for tomorrow. God has a Great Plan for us at Trinity and the future is exciting. We are a Beacon of Light for our youth, and together we make Trinity an inspiring foundation for their lives.

We welcome you and your family to all activities at Williston Trinity Christian School and look forward to partnering in the responsibility of bringing up accountable Christian citizens and leaders.

We appreciate any and all support. Prayer is not the least we can do - it is the best thing we can do. God bless you and we wish you a delightful, heartwarming Thanksgiving and Christmas season...and Happy New Year!

La Lynda Blotsky—Vice Principal/Activities Director

It is truly an honor to be a part of Williston Trinity Christian School in the capacity of Vice Principal and Activities Director. Education is my passion, and these kiddos have my heart. The 2015-2016 school year got off to an amazing start! We started our year with a full volleyball program- our teams were full all the way from elementary to varsity! We were blessed with amazing coaches who are strong role models for our young ladies. Our boys' football team coops with Trenton- the boys were truly dedicated, they had small numbers, but remained as a family throughout their season. We had four varsity boys, and four junior high boys. We also sent two students to the state cross-country meet in October. Congratulations to JJ Bressler and Greta Eder for an amazing run at State Cross Country. We are excited to grow our fall programs, and continue to build upon them for the years to come. We try to offer as many extra-curricular opportunities to our students as possible. Upcoming events on our calendar will



be the 2015-2016 boys' and girls' basketball seasons, and Christmas concerts just to name a few! Our students are truly one of a kind, and will be that shining beacon of light for those in the growing community of Williston. We strive to offer a Christian based, educational context, taught by God-loving educators. Our students are honored for their accomplishments; academically, athletically, and personally. We are blessed to have numbers that allow students to participate in a wide range of activities; from the science fair, pep-band, participation in the praise and worship band, and art/photography club. We try to offer as many extracurricular opportunities as we can, BOTH academically and athletically, to our students. So far this year our students have participated in Constitution Day, See You At the Pole, Spiritual Emphasis Week, and many off -campus field trips, just to name a few! Many of our amazing students in grades 5-12 have been inducted into our FIRST quarter Honor Roll in October! We are so proud of our students.

Paul Brown—Director of Development

I am honored to be a part of the new Williston Trinity Christian School Development team. I believe that God has assembled a group of faithful supporters, servants who value Christianity in order to further His kingdom. I am thankful for the role that each family plays in the development of our students as they grow and mature. We are thankful that you are trusting WTCS to assist with one of your most valuable treasures, your children.

We at WTCS have received several blessings over the past six months. We started the summer praying for financial aid and God sent us an anonymous supporter, which gave way to our Matching Summer Fund Drive. Several months later, WTCS is talking about possible growth and new ways of connecting with our community. "That's what happens when God shows up." (Woodlawn).



The WTCS Annual Banquet was a wonderful success. Christ was glorified and uplifted. Thank you to all our volunteers who helped, we appreciate your commitment to make this event a success.

God has also blessed WTCS with a new financial support program called SCRIP. This fundraising program can turn your everyday spending habits into FREE MONEY toward your family's tuition.

You can save money on just about everything you purchase, which in turn will save you money on your tuition fees. When we all participate, everybody wins. Please take a moment to visit Shopwithscrip.com. We would love for you to sign-up and start to reap the benefits of your daily spending, which will pay you in return

If you have any questions, please call me at our office at (701)-774-9056 or on my cell at (701)-580-8367.



A great time to start using SCRIP is now in preparation for your holiday shopping!

www.shopwithscrip.com

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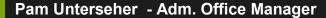
STUDENT RECORDS

If your student has received any new immunizations, please bring an updated copy of the record to the front office. Reminder letters have been mailed.

Students in 7th grade will need to get the MCV4 & Tdap vaccines, or fill out an exemption form in the office.

Thank you!

Any questions, feel free to call Sheri Moonen in the office at 701-774-9056





Welcome! We at Williston Trinity Christian School (WTCS) are thankful for you. We value the support you give with your time, money and your talents. You are one of the greatest assets that God has given to our students. Your efforts help every student grow personally, academically and athletically.

It is also our collective desire at WTCS; to affect each student spiritually. Spiritual growth is valuable to the healthy development of our students. We are preparing them to function with character and integrity in the real world beyond high school, committed to their personal relationship with Jesus Christ and their moral values.

We have successfully finished the first quarter of the 2015 - 2016 school year. "THANK YOU!" We appreciate you. It is wonderful to see all the parents, family, friends and an amazing community that support our students.

Our busy summer kicked off with the 5k ColorDash in support of our senior class. Our seniors and their parents did a great job putting it together and getting our community involved. We hosted a Homeschool Olympics event on our football field which was a tremendous success. We look forward to the possibility of hosting it again in the future. In June, we also hosted a dinner in cooperation with Thrivent Financial. We had a small crowd, but it was a good event.

July 1, Mr. Fleck officially took over as our new Superintendent and Principal. This has been a smooth transition as God has put a great team together. We are excited about the things God has in store.

This fall has been very busy with a lot of activites. Our K-4th grade students look so cute in their uniforms. It has been a pleasant experience overall. Thank you to everyone who helped us get the uniform orders together. We appreciate your patience and cooperation.

We would like to say a very special "THANK YOU" to the anonymous donor of the uniforms for the K-4th grade students. You know who you are and we have been so blessed by your generosity. We appreciate you.

Williston State College Choir and Williston Trinity Christian School Choir were our musical guests for our Fundraising Banquet. Dr. Paul Alexander, President of Trinity Bible College was a guest speaker. Mr. Jase Robertson of A&E's Duck Dynasty was our keynote speaker for our Fundraising Banquet. We were very pleased with the Banquet turnout. The resounding message was to put your faith in Jesus Christ and live a lifestyle that honors Him. Both speakers emphasized the value of a Christian education. You are a blessing!



VOLUNTEER/SERVICE HOURS

WTCS relies heavily on volunteerism and parental involvement. This allows us to keep expenses low and tuition affordable. It is essential that parents take part as WTCS does not receive any state or federal tax dollars. It is a labor of love for all families. Please review the list of volunteer opportunities and current needs, then contact the office and let them know where you can get involved.

- Lunchroom workers
- School library—process book donations, checking in & reshelving books
- special event coordinators/workers
- First Saturday of each month Maintenance/Cleaning Day
- Plowing parking lot in the winter
- Shoveling snow from sidewalks in the mornings
- Athletic and other activity events
- At home help

SCHOOL MAINTENANCE

Listed below are the biggest areas of maintenance needs at this time. If you are able to come in to school to help in any area, please notify the office or Mr. Fleck.

- 1. Lights changing light bulbs in Hallways and in the Gym
- 2. Some Electrical outlets need fixing
- 3. Clocks need to be rewired or adjusted
- 4. Air Vents need to be cleaned monthly
- 5. Fire alarms need to be cleaned
- 6. Once all plumbing is fixed we need to replace/reorder/find ceiling tiles that have been ruined by water. Ceiling tiles need to be replaced per fire code.

SUBMIT SERVICE HOURS

For questions concerning service hours, please contact Sheri Moonen in the office at (701) 774-9056. To submit your hours, send the following information via email to smoonen@tcsnd.org: Name; Brief description of work done; Hours worked; Date the work was done. Thank you!



Pastor Jeremy & Jamie Weflen—Dean of Students



We are so excited to be a part of what God is doing at Williston Trinity Christian School! This first quarter we feel that God has given us many opportunities to speak into the lives of students and share His love.

Here are just a few highlights thus far: **Chapel** – Chapel is just one of the times we get to share about Jesus Christ, and have the chance to worship together. We have the opportunity to see and hear first hand the change that the love of Christ is having in our student's lives. We have had the opportunity to hear from students about what God is doing and how His call on their life is becoming more clear. A group of students shared about their trip to Guatemala and the work they were able to do in that culture. We had the privilege of having Dr. Barnabas Mtokambali, AG General Superintendent of Tanzania, come and challenge our students to "Press Toward the Mark."

AXIS was a team that came in to do our **Spiritual Emphasis Week**. They challenged our students on their worldview, not only knowing what they believe, but why they believe it. Our students really enjoyed the information and challenge. We ended the week with a worship service on Friday that filled the students' hearts with peace and motivation to follow deeper after God.

We are looking forward to Steve Donaldson, one of the founders of Convoy of Hope, and founder of Rural Compassion, coming November 18th to share, with our students, about being the hands and feet of Jesus Christ.

Academics – We are committed to the value of Christian education. We administered the PSAT on October 28th to all of our Juniors. We will also be administering the ASVAB January 4th. In addition, we are also working on the possibility of offering the ACT twice a year to give our students the opportunity to gain higher scores. The students have had the opportunity to meet several college admissions counselors at the college fair and/or admissions counselors coming to our campus to meet students.

Again, we are honored to be a part of what God is doing in and through Williston Trinity Christian School. We believe in the vision and future of the school, and we are excited to be a part of the team.

NOVEMBER 2015 LUNCH MENU

M O N	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
2	3	4	5	6
Meatballs in Gravy	Hot Dogs	Baked Beans*	Chicken Pot Pie	Beef Vegetable Soup
Scallopped Potatoes	French Fries	Tator Tots	Over a biscuit	
9	10	11	12	13
Crispitos	Hamburgers	NO SCHOOL	Asian Wrap	Hamburger Hot Dish
Rice & Beans	Chips	VETERANS DAY	Rice	
16	17	18	19	20
Biscuits & Gravy	Slushburgers	Spaghetti	Chicken Nuggets	Chicken Noodle Soup
	Chips	Garlic Bread	Chips	
23	24	25	26	27
French Toast	Thanksgiving Dinner	No School	No School	No School
Sausage*	*need help to serve			
30	Lunch Fee: Grades K-4: \$3/day; Grades 5-8: \$3.50/day; and Grades 9-12: \$4/day.			
Macaroni	Each meal includes a main entrée (or peanut butter/jelly sandwich), vegetable/fruit, salad bar & milk. Additional milk is 50 cents for each carton. If students bring their lunch, they may not take items from the salad bar nor get a peanut butter/jelly sandwich. They may buy a milk at the regular cost.			

CRUSADER Athletics for Nov./Dec.

2015-2016 JV/V Boys Basketball

Opening Date 11/30/15

Date	Time CST	Squad	Location	Opponent
Dec. 11	5:45/7:15	JV/V	HOME	Kenmare
Dec. 12	4:30	V	HOME	White Shield

2015-2016 Junior High Girls Basketball

Opening Date: 11/16/15

Spening 2 are: 11/16/16					
Date	Time CST	Location	Opponent		
Dec. 12	3:00 pm	HOME	White Shield		
Dec. 17	5:00 pm	HOME	District 8		

2015-2015 Junior High Boys Basketball

Opening Date 11/30/15

Date	Time CST	Location	Opponent
Dec. 11	4:30 pm	HOME	Kenmare
Dec 17	6:00 nm	HOME	District 8



BOX TOPS

Way to go WTCS!! We collected 4,460 Box Tops. That's \$446.00 for our school!

Classroom winners are:

1st Place: Ms. Molenda's 1st Graders— Pizza Party!

2nd place: Mrs. Lee's 3rd Graders— Movie & Popcorn!

3rd place: Mrs. Black's 5th Graders—extra gym time!

Keep clipping and collecting! There will be another contest in January.

We also collect:

- Cashwise Points
- Coke Rewards
- Campbell's Labels for Education.



Quarter 1 Honor Roll

*denotes 3.5 GPA **denotes 4.0 GPA

Freshmen

Jonathan Babcock*
Peyton Monzon
Caleb Page
Kaia Poole

Sophomores Kaleb Cornell*

Greta Eder** Taylor Heape Judah Lind Miranda Penner

Chloe Schell
Gabriel Vazquez
Jacqueline Williams*

<u>Juniors</u>

Austin Brown*
Olivia Hamrick
Beau Skurdal
Zoé Unterseher

Seniors

JJ Bressler*
Greta Eder
Camden Haugenoe**
Tailor Mapes

Emily McKenzie*
Zachary Reinholdt**
Joshua Sanford**
Austin Schell

Ana VanBerkom*
Keaton Vondell

MARK YOUR CALENDAR—November/December 2015

TUES Elementary Chapel, K-6: Parents are always welcome to attend. Grades K-4 should wear button-down shirt with dress pant (boys) or skirt (girls). 5th & 6th grade should wear the purple polo shirt.

Grades K&1: 1pm; Grades 2-4: 1:40pm; Grades 5&6: 2:47pm

WED Whet Wednesday: Homemade treats are sold afterschool for \$.50 each. Proceeds go toward Project Classroom Committee (PCC). Punch cards are available to purchase in the office for \$5. Cards are brought to the Whet Wednesday table each week.

THURS JH/HS Chapel, 7-12: Chapel times change weekly. Please dress appropriately, per dress code in the handbook.

Wed., Nov. 11 No School in Observance of Veteran's Day

Fri.-Sat., Nov. 13-14 Williston Trinity Offensive Skills Camp by Warwick Workouts. This camp is designed for players looking to enhance and expand their skill set. All athletes will receive Warwick Workouts shorts and t-shirt.

Friday, November 13th & Saturday, November 14th in WTCS Gym.

Session 1: 5th-8th Grade Boys & Girls, \$85. Fri. 4:00-6:00pm & Sat. Noon-2:00pm Session 2: 9th-12 Grade Boys & Girls, \$145. Fri. 6:30-9:30pm & Sat. 9:30-11:30am/3:00-6:00pm

Mon., Nov. 16 7pm: WTCS Board Meeting. Open to all parents. Chapel.

Mon., Nov. 17 Operation Christmas Child

Tues., Nov. 17 7pm: Staff, Student & Family Prayer Night, Chapel.

Tues., Nov. 23 2pm: All School Thanksgiving Chapel, Gym. WTCS is inviting area pastors, police officers, firefighters and other service representatives to enjoy lunch at Noon. They are also invited to attend the All School Thanksgiving Chapel at 2pm.

Wed.-Fri., Nov. 25-27 **No School** - Thanksgiving Weekend

Fri., Dec. 4 Quarter 2 Midterm

Sat. Dec. 5

11am-3pm: Christmas Extravaganza, DC Trip Fundraiser. Come and get in the Christmas spirit, have some fun, and do some Christmas shopping via fun Bucket and Silent Auctions! Christmas cookie decorating with Mrs. Claus. Crafts with the elves. Auctions, a Christmas movie, food will be served, and MORE! GREAT family event!!

Sun., Dec. 6 Noon-3pm: **Junior Class Fundraiser**, Christmas Dinner in the cafeteria

Tues., Dec.. 8 7pm: Elementary Christmas Concert, grades K-6 in the gym

Thurs., Dec. 10 7pm: **JH/HS Christmas Concert**, grades 7-12 in the gym

Wed., Dec. 16 10:30am & 2:15pm: PreK (TWTh) Christmas Program, music room

Thurs., Dec. 18 10am & 1:45pm: **Preschool (MF) Cookie Party**, cafeteria

Mon.-Fri., Dec. 21-Jan. 1 **No School** - Christmas Vacation

EMAILS: If you do not receive daily email announcements from WTCS, please let the office know or send an email to information@tcsnd.org.



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In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

1 Thessalonians 5:18

TCS Cards

Student contest ended Monday, November 9th. Families have until the end of November to sell their required amount of cards. After Tuesday, December 1st, families will be charged for the remainder of cards not sold. Thank you for all of your support in this school fundraiser.



Weather Policy

Students are required to go outside during recess unless the air temperature and/or wind chill is -10° or colder. It is important that students be properly dressed during cold weather. During inclement weather, students need a separate pair of shoes to be worn inside the building. Snow boots will be worn during recess and shoes during class time.

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