

Welcome Back

TCS

Educating with a Biblical Worldview

Discipling in Christlikeness

September 2020

Greetings!

The academic year is now underway. We've enjoyed a successful start to classes despite the adjustments necessitated by COVID. We are so grateful for our faculty and staff that continue to work tirelessly to make our school a safe and effective place for learning. We are also grateful for each of our TCS families that have entrusted their children to our care during these uncertain times.

It is my continued prayer that God would help us advance our mission of coming alongside our parents to disciple and educate the young people at TCS. It is my prayer that the education, that takes place in our school, would kindle a desire to glorify God and would equip our students to live lives consistent with a biblical worldview.

Administrator, Jeff Abbett



CALENDAR

DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER 7 – No School: School is closed for Pre-K through 12th grade on Labor Day.

SEPTEMBER 22 – No School: School is closed for Pre-K through 12th grade for Parent Teacher Conferences.

OCTOBER 1-2 – No School: School is closed for Half Day Pre-K through 12th grade for Fall Break/Professional Development.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Timberlake Christian Schools keeps an up to date calendar on our website. You can locate it [HERE](#). We'd encourage you to bookmark this page. Click below for pdf versions of the 2020/2021 calendars:

[K-12 Academic Calendar](#)

[Pre-K Academic Calendar](#)

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Our Pre-K through 12th grade Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for **Tuesday, September 22nd**. Please contact the TCS office (434-237-5943) to schedule conference(s) with your child's teacher(s). Parents of middle and high school students can choose which of their child's teachers they would like to meet with.

SCHOOL PICTURES

K-11 GRADE SCHOOL PICTURES

School pictures will take place during the school day for Kindergarten through 11th grade on **Wednesday, September 9th**. Students must wear their uniform for photos.

Parents can view and order photos by visiting mylifetouch.com and using the Picture Day ID: EVTQZ9JZ8

Note: Senior portraits and Pre-K photos will be taken in October.



FOCUS ON PRAYER



SEE YOU AT THE POLE

See You at the Pole Day is **Wednesday, September 23rd**. For over 25 years, *See You at the Pole* has been about one simple act- prayer. On this date, students all around the globe will be gathering at their flagpoles and praying for their school, families, friends, churches, and communities. All 7th-12th grade students are encouraged to gather with us in the TCS parking lot by the flagpole by the outdoor basketball court to pray as a school from **7:15-8:15am**.

CHAPELS

Chapels for K-12th grade will continue, this year, on Thursdays. The first chapel of the year is **Thursday, September 10th**. Elementary and 6th grade students will meet in the gym for chapel every Thursday at the start of the school day and 7th-12th grade students will meet at 10:00am. Due to social distancing requirements, 7th-12th grade chapels will have a Peer2Peer focus with smaller times of corporate worship. Pre-K chapels are on Wednesday and will meet twice monthly. **Note:** Individuals will be distanced in chapel to better ensure the safety and continued health of our students and faculty.

MOMS IN PRAYER

Moms-In-Prayer (MIP) is an international prayer organization active in over 140 countries. Their mission is to cover every school in the world with prayer. The TCS Moms in Prayer group has been in existence for seventeen years. This year, TCS Moms in Prayer meetings will be held on the **1st and 3rd** Thursdays of each month. This year, they will be meeting virtually via Zoom. You can click [HERE](#) for the Zoom Meeting link. The MIP kickoff is **Thursday, September 3rd at 9:00am** using Zoom. MIP welcomes mothers and grandmothers of students within the school who would like to pray for TCS. For more information and updates contact TCS mom, Ashley Tharpe (aahudson@liberty.edu).



SCHOOL UPDATES

NEW FACULTY

Several new faculty members joined our staff this school year. We are thankful to have them as a part of our team!

- **Olivia Ferrell - Kindergarten Teacher**

Olivia is originally from West Virginia but moved to Virginia as a child. She graduated from Liberty University with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education. This is Olivia's first year teaching. When asked what led Olivia to TCS, she responded, "I go to Timberlake Baptist Church and heard about the school and I just knew I wanted to be a part of the ministry here. I also did my student teaching at TCS and it made me love the school and the faculty even more. Everyone is so caring and kind. I graduated high school from TCS and I just loved the school and its environment. I knew the Lord was leading me to teach at this school and so it all fell into place in His own timing."

- **Ashlyn Long - 3rd Grade Teacher**

Ashlyn is originally from Pennsylvania. She graduated from Liberty University with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education. She taught at a small Christian School in Kodiak, Alaska, prior to moving to Lynchburg. Ashlyn believes that TCS is the best fit for her to continue her teaching career in Lynchburg.

- **Brenda Hartbarger - Health and Computer Teacher**

Brenda is originally from Eastern Tennessee. She is married with three grown daughters that are currently located all around the country. She graduated with her undergraduate degree from Liberty University and earned a Master of Arts degree from Hollins University. Brenda subbed at TCS last year and enjoyed the calm learning atmosphere in a smaller school.

- **Ryan Vohringer - History Teacher (7th-9th)**

Ryan is originally from Orlando, Florida. He graduated from Liberty University with a Master of Science in History. He lives in the area with his wife Erin. This is Ryan's third year teaching in a Christian school. When asked what led Ryan to TCS, he responded, "I have always had a passion for Christian Education, and TCS not only teaches from a biblical worldview but values academics."

- **Hope Gama – Pre-K Teacher**

Hope is originally from Florida. She and her husband were recently married before moving to Virginia this past summer. She graduated from the University of Central Florida and has worked closely with young children for several years. Hope loves the TCS mission and is excited about the opportunity to cultivate a safe and God-centered environment for her students.

- **Jenna Holt – Pre-K Teacher**

Jenna is originally from Brookneal, Virginia. She has spent several years in Florida before recently moving back to the Lynchburg area. She is currently working to complete her degree while teaching at TCS. She has been working with children for several years now in various forms and is thrilled to be in the classroom. Jenna says that she has always loved children and loves being in a Christian school environment.

- **Rebecca March – Pre-K Teacher**

Rebecca is originally from Pennsylvania. She graduated from Liberty University with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education. Rebecca taught kindergarten in Dumfries, Virginia for a year before joining our Pre-K team. She is very excited to be at TCS and has found working in a Christian school refreshing. Rebecca is thankful for the opportunity to share about Jesus in her classroom.

ACADEMICS

TEACHER ON CALL

We will once again offer the Teacher On Call program for students in K-12th grade. All teachers will be in their classrooms on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from **7:45-8:10am**. These times are set aside for students needing extra teacher help with school work. Students should not enter classrooms before 7:45 or before teacher arrives.

FACTS ACCOUNTS

There is helpful student information for K-12th grade parents posted in FACTS. Access to classroom lesson plans (7-12 grade), homework assignments (7-12 grade), grades, attendance, report cards, and student schedules are available through a FACTS Parentsweb account. Parents can access FACTS through the Parent Portal button on the homepage of the website Click [HERE](#) for FACTS. Parents can create an account to locate relevant student information. FACTS is a great place to stay up to date with student progress and is an excellent place to obtain work either before or after an absence from school. Students in grades 7-12 may request their own personal FACTS account from Mrs. Mears in the Student Services office. **Note:**

FACTS is currently having an issue with the *PayNow* feature and are working to fix it. Temporarily, families need to use the browsers Firefox or Microsoft Edge to make payments.



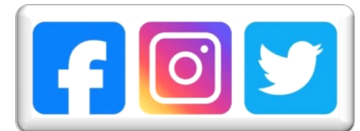
NHS INDUCTION CEREMONY

Several high school students have been selected for membership in Timberlake Christian Schools' Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS). Their selection was based upon the students' scholarship, leadership, service, and character. An induction ceremony will be scheduled in the next few weeks for the newest inductees and their families.

STAY CONNECTED

FOLLOW US

You can stay up to date with the latest information on both Instagram and Facebook. Like and follow TCS on instagram at [@tcstornadoes](#) and on Facebook at [Timberlake Christian Schools](#) for up to date information and photos. Follow our Pre-K on Facebook at [Timberlake Christian Pre-K](#) and on instagram at [@tcsprek](#). Follow our TCS Athletics on twitter at [Athletics TCS](#).



DRESS DOWN DAYS

RED, WHITE, & BLUE

On **Friday, September 11th** students are encouraged to dress down in red, white, and blue in honor of America and September 11th Remembrance Day.

SPIRIT DAY

This month's **School Spirit Day** is **September 25th**. On Spirit Day, TCS students can show their school spirit by dressing down and wearing jeans along with a TCS spirit t-shirt. Students must follow the dress down guidelines outlined in the Parent Student Handbook. Our spirit shirt is retro themed and features the tornado mascot from TCS history (the same shirt as last year). The cost is \$18 per shirt. If you're interested in ordering a shirt, you can do so in the school office.



ATHLETICS



FALL SPORTS

With all the upheaval of COVID-19, there has been significant adjustments to the school's athletics program. The current plan is to begin Fall Sport practices on **September 23rd** with a start of competition on **October 19th**. The season would conclude with VACA State Tournament (over the December 12th weekend). As it stands right now, only VACA competition is allowed.

If four or more schools experience closures before September 23rd, then Plan B is automatically instated.

Plan B looks similar to VHSL model. Winter sports would begin practices on November 1st with a start of competition on November 30th and conclude on February 13th. Fall sports would begin competition on February 15th and conclude on April 10th. Spring sports would begin on April 12th and conclude May 21st. Keep in mind, that all dates are subject to change.

TCS TEAM APP

The TCS Team App is the school's go to location for all things pertaining to athletics, the game calendar, practice schedules, and notifications. Both parents and players can login from a smartphone, tablet, or PC.

The steps to download the Team App are as follows:

1. In Google Play or App Store, search for **Team App**.
2. Tap go back to **Log in or Sign Up**
3. Enter your email address and then click continue.
4. You will need to retrieve the security code from your email.
5. Complete your profile by entering your full name, year of birth, and Country. Click Save.
6. Accept all the terms and conditions.
7. Be sure to allow Team App to send you notifications. Turn on notifications in your settings for Team App.
8. On the "Welcome to Team App!" page, select Search for an existing app.
9. Type **Tornadoes Athletics** into the search bar. Find the app with the TCS Tornado logo.
10. Tap on the banner that says "Become a member of this team app"
11. Select a team (e.g. JV Girls Volleyball). Switch the "I agree to provide my membership details to Tornado Athletics to on. Enter your mobile phone number as well.
12. Please complete the membership profile with a selfie photo and other relevant details. Be sure to click Save.
13. Select any other team sports you need.
14. Recommend subscribing to the schedule of your team so that all scheduled events get added to your iCalendar or personal google calendar. If changes are made you will see them in real time.



SUPPORT TCS

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Each year TCS is able to purchase items for the school with your help and the Box Tops for Education Program. To participate, in the Box Tops for Education program, download the app on your smartphone, buy Box Top products, scan your receipt with the app, and you are done! You no longer need to cut out the Box Top labels and send them to the school. Check out the brief video [HERE](#) for details.

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KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS



Kroger is continuing to partner with TCS through their **Community Rewards Program**. TCS receives a percentage of money spent with registered Kroger cards to use for education. For those interested in participating, you can register your Kroger Plus Cards online. Visit: [kroger.com/communityrewards](https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards) to register a Kroger card. Enter **Timberlake Educational Foundation** (Organization Number WQ192) in the Community Rewards field and follow the prompts to register. It takes no more than five minutes! Once a card is registered, TCS will earn funds every time the card is used at Kroger.

***Please Note:** If you registered last year and want to continue supporting TCS through Community Rewards you'll need to **re-enroll** your Kroger card. Just visit the website listed above, sign-in, and follow the prompts to re-enroll.

MISSION, VISION, & VALUES

Our accrediting body asks us to regularly communicate TCS' mission, vision, and values. We believe that it is vital for the following information be reviewed and understood by all of our constituents. We'd encourage you to take a moment to read the following:

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Timberlake Christian Schools, a ministry of Timberlake Baptist Church, is to assist Christian parents in

- educating their children to think and live consistently with a biblical world-and-life view (*Genesis 1:1ff, Proverbs 1:7, 2:6-15, Romans 11:36, Ephesians 3:10, Philippians 2:5*);
- discipling them in love and truth toward Christlikeness and a lifelong passion for glorifying God (*Matthew 28:19, Luke 10:27, Galatians 4:19, Ephesians 1:15-19, and 4:15*).

VISION

The vision of Timberlake Christian Schools is to be a discipleship and educational institution for young people in order to develop in them a passion for glorifying God and train them for a life consistent with a biblical world-and-life view.

CORE VALUES

Timberlake Christian Schools is founded upon the

- Supremacy of God's Word and His Glory
- Discipling Students Lovingly toward Christlike Character, and the
- Pursuit of Academic Excellence

SCHOOLWIDE EXPECTED STUDENT OUTCOMES

Timberlake Christian Schools' goal is to graduate students who . . .

1. Are well prepared in all academic disciplines, having the skills to think and live consistently within a biblical world-and-life view.
2. Have been disciplined in love and truth toward Christlikeness and a lifelong passion for glorifying God.

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