

“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22:6



TRI-STATE

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Calendar of Events

February	18	No School – President’s Day
	21	Open House 5-8 pm
	22	Progress Reports go Home
March	22	End of 3 rd Quarter
	25-29	No School – Spring Break

Board Update

Dear TSCS Family,

It’s with a heart of appreciation and sincere gratitude that we offer our congratulations to Dr. Nuce upon receiving and accepting a new position as Superintendent of a Christian school in Kansas for the 2019/2020 school year. Words cannot express how thankful we are for both Tad and Deanna’s significant contributions to the TSCS family over these past 7 years, most recently featuring our successful move to Dubuque and our being granted ACSI accreditation.

The Nuce family will be greatly missed, but we pray that our great God will richly bless this transition for them and for the TSCS family. Dr. Nuce will continue to serve in his current role until the end of the school year and has graciously offered to be of help to us as needed in this process.

The TSCS Board will immediately begin the search process for the next Principal for TSCS. We will be forming a search committee and will be posting this position opening appropriately in the coming days.

We are confident that the Lord has led Tad and his family to accept this new opportunity, and we are just as confident that the Lord will be faithful to provide for us just the right individual to be the next Principal of TSCS. Dr. Nuce's letter to parents follows mine.

On Behalf of the TSCS Board,
Jon Glock | TSCS Board President

Dear Tri-State Families and Friends,

After 7 years of service at Tri-State Christian School, we have reached the decision to make this our final year of service here. I have accepted the offer to become the new superintendent of Berean Academy in Kansas for the 2019/2020 school year.

For our family, this is an opportunity to move closer to my parents and extended family. It will, however, be with great sadness that we leave our friends on the TSCS faculty/ staff and the TSCS families who have shown such strong support over the years.

With your support and prayers, much has been accomplished over the last seven years. We look forward to seeing Tri-State grow in size and impact in the years to come. I will do everything in my power to promote the mission and vision of TSCS until the school year ends in June. After that, TSCS will continue to be in our prayers. I am confident the Lord will bring the right person to help lead Tri-State forward in the next phase of the school's history.

Sincerely,
Tad and Deanna Nuce

Annual Auction Fundraiser

Tri-State Christian School (TSCS) will be conducting its **22nd Annual Auction Fundraiser**. This online auction event will be held from April 2 through April 16, 2019. The website address and a list of donations will be posted on our TSCS website in late March. **We are currently seeking donations and sponsors!** To donate an item or service, please contact Barb Block, Auction Coordinator, at the school at 563-231-3701 or bblock@tscs.org. All proceeds from this event will be used to support our student scholarship fund.

Matching Grant

We have a \$12,500 matching grant opportunity. If we raise \$12,500 then it will be matched to equal \$25,000 for our school! If you are interested in donating to help us reach our goal, you may mail a check to the school, drop off your donation at the front desk, or give via our website. Thank you!

Christmas Divine 2018

The Christmas season is a time filled with joy, and TSCS certainly displayed joy and festivity during the 2018 annual Christmas program. On December 14, 2018, TSCS students presented "Christmas Divine" and performed a variety of traditional Christmas carols, intertwined with several modern favorites and scripture readings to celebrate Christ's birth. This eventful evening included elementary students singing in multiple languages, including Spanish, German, French, and English as well as using unusual instruments like comb washboards, while



the secondary students showed the power of harmony in all of their choral selections. The TSCS students and staff greatly enjoyed celebrating with all who joined us on this very special, musical evening!



Mrs. Osworth's Classroom News

Our first grade days are passing by so quickly! It is hard to believe that we are at the end of the first semester. We are staying busy with phonics, reading and math in the morning and our afternoons are extra special when the second graders join us for lunch and our afternoon classes. We have had great discussions during Bible class, especially as we studied the tabernacle. The students learned how each piece of 'furniture' involved in the tabernacle system of worship pointed the Israelites to the coming Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ.



In social studies, the students recently finished a unit on US symbols. They learned a little bit of

history about each symbol and also shared why they believe the United States is a great country.



The first and second graders also worked hard impressing their teachers with Christ-like obedience and behavior. They set a goal to fill a jar with candy corns by the end of September and they did!! As a reward they enjoyed a picnic lunch in the classroom and a prize from Mrs. Osworth's prize box.

As the Thanksgiving holiday drew near, we reflected on the many ways the Lord has blessed us. We spent the Tuesday before Thanksgiving

playing Thanksgiving BINGO, ‘filling’ a cornucopia with our praises to God for His many blessings, and enjoying a horn of plenty ice cream cone filled with a cereal mix treat.

December found us rediscovering the true meaning of Christmas as we reviewed the birth of Jesus through Bible readings and the singing of Christmas hymns.

We are looking forward to the abundance of blessings that the Lord has in store for us!



Ms. Hester Explores Electricity

Why is it that when one light bulb on a string of Christmas lights goes out, they can all go out? The third graders had a blast experimenting and discovering the answer to this question in their unit on electricity. The students enjoyed working together to build their series circuits using wires, a battery, and a light bulb in its holder. They learned how electricity had the ability to flow through the wires. They had to make sure the circuit remained closed so that the electricity could continue to flow through it, which resulted in keeping their light on.



The students were ecstatic when they were able to get their lights to turn on. They were also able to build a parallel circuit, which consisted of two circuits and two light bulbs.

Since a parallel circuit has more than one path for electricity to flow through, the first light bulb in the circuit was able to still shine brightly when the students removed the second light bulb. The third graders enjoyed learning about electricity as they worked together to build their different circuits.



Senora Nuce – La Profesora de Espanol

This has been an exciting year for Tri-State. We moved to Dubuque and are growing weekly it seems. I have the privilege of teaching Spanish to grades kindergarten through 10th.

Kindergarteners are praising the Lord with “Cristo Me Ama,” and first and second graders are working on "Simon Dice" with all their body parts. Third and fourth graders can tell you their favorite "animales," and in the fifth and sixth grade, we are concentrating on reading stories and adding Spanish words throughout. The students really enjoy the content, which sparks their interests, and I am able in that process to fill the story with many new Spanish words.

My love for Spanish comes from my desire for students to be able to communicate the gospel to others in their own language. We are learning verses and songs and basic communication. I hope our children all have the opportunity to

share these verses and conversations with someone who only speaks Spanish. What an amazing opportunity! Please ask the students any verses they may have learned in Spanish and see what they have to tell you.



All for God’s glory!

Life at Tri-State

