



Tuition Planning for 2024/2025

TCS Mission:

Trinity Christian School will assist parents in providing students with a Biblical worldview education, equipping them to become Christ-like leaders in their homes, churches, communities, and workplaces.

Introduction

Once again, it is time for us to look forward to next year. Although we are neck deep in spring sports and looking forward to a successful spring semester, our leadership team is busy planning for next year. A foundational activity in that planning is establishing a budget and setting tuition rates.

2023/2024 has been a huge success from many different perspectives. Perhaps one of the most important successes has been continued growth and enhancement of our faculty. We have been able to bolster our tenure and experience in core academic areas, and we have invested significant time and effort in teacher training. As a school, we are literally partnering with you to train the next generation of Kingdom Builders, and we are working extremely hard to ensure that the TCS system can reliably accomplish what God has called us to do in that partnership.

With this in mind, and consistent with our goal over the last couple of years, we are working to raise teacher pay to the state minimums. To give you a concrete grasp of where we are, a starting first year teacher at TCS currently is paid approximately \$29,500. We feel they deserve more, and we want to take another step toward bolstering this. To accomplish that, there will be a 5% increase in tuition rates.

As we roll this out, I do want to address one specific item. Within our budget, teacher pay is directly related to tuition income (86% of tuition is related to personnel costs). On the other hand, outside of routine maintenance, facilities improvements and additions are funded exclusively by donors who have a specific passion for and desire to address specific areas of need. Please know that 100% of this tuition increase will go directly to teacher salaries.

Tuition Rates for 2024/2025 are included below as well as the complete policies related to tuition. The only fee not included is the \$450 expansion fee, charged once per family.

Also, remember that enrollment at TCS is an annual contract. To effectively partner with you, we will hire staff and purchase resources based on your commitment to return to TCS for the 2024/2025 school year. As a result, if you decide to withdraw your student before the school year ends, you will be responsible for any remaining tuition for the school year.

Finally, please keep this in mind! If the tuition increase has created a hardship for your family that will determine your decision to remain at TCS, please let us know. We do not want to lose any of our existing families and would like to evaluate if tuition assistance could help make it work for you.

Tuition Insurance:

We do recognize that there are circumstances that make a commitment to an annual contract difficult. Because of this, we offer a tuition Insurance policy. The premium for this plan is 2.1% of the annual tuition (including fees). A variety of reasons force

students to withdraw from private schools every year: transfer of family, illness or injury, death of parent or student, change of objective, disciplinary dismissal, scholastic changes, financial or emotional difficulties, or other personal reasons. If your student withdraws from school for any reason, the Tuition Protection Plan provides substantial assistance in meeting your financial obligation to the school. For all withdrawals, the Plan will pay 60% of the unused portion of the school year for non medical reasons for withdrawal and up to 75% of the unused portion for approved medical reasons (after attending more than 14 consecutive calendar days, beginning with the first day of class). Please email Tammy Barber at tbarber@trinitytoday.com to receive this insurance. The last day to elect tuition insurance and request an invoice is July 15, 2024.

- [See plan document for full terms and conditions, available here.](#)

If you decide to accept this insurance, it is 2.1% of your annual tuition.

This insurance is required for new TCS families for the first year.

[FACTS Payment System](#)

We will continue to use FACTS for our payment system for this school year. We believe that FACTS has helped us concentrate our efforts on our core value of stewardship.

This year, your child will be automatically enrolled for the following school year, unless you communicate to us otherwise by March 1. We will bill the \$250 enrollment fee per child on March 4. That will be collected (or drafted from your account) on 3/29. (Subsequent children's enrollment fees will be collected on 4/30, 5/30 and 6/14 respectively.) Your payment constitutes your acceptance to continue at TCS for the 2023/2024 school year. If your child will not be continuing his or her education at TCS, you will need to communicate that in writing by **March 1st** to Lanisa Fitzgerald at lfitzgerald@tclubbock.org.

FACTS offers several different payment options. The payment plan that you selected last year is still in place for the upcoming school year. If you need to make a change, call Tammy Barber at 806-791-6583.

FACTS is the same company that evaluates Tuition Assistance applications. Their service focuses on evaluating need; however, Trinity Christian School will still maintain decision-making control. We will continue to work with families should special circumstances or "hardship" cases arise during the school year.

2024/2025 School Year



TUITION COST

2024/2025

Grade	Tuition	10 Month Plan**
PreK 3 Day (T, W, Th)		
1st Child	\$5,400.00	\$540.00
Pre-Kindergarten - Full Time		
1st Child	\$7,570.00	\$757.00
Additional Children	\$7,070.00	\$707.00
Kindergarten		
1st Child	\$9,300.00	\$930.00
Additional Children	\$8,800.00	\$880.00
1st - 5th Grades		
1st Child	\$10,190.00	\$1,019.00
Additional Children	\$9,690.00	\$969.00
6th - 8th Grade		
1st Child	\$11,790.00	\$1,179.00
Additional Children	\$11,290.00	\$1,129.00
9th - 12th Grade		
1st Child	\$12,980.00	\$1,298.00
Additional Children	\$12,480.00	\$1,248.00

One Time Additional Fees

- \$450 Expansion Fee - Charged one time per family
- \$250 Enrollment/Re-enrollment fee
- Athletic fee - varies per grade and sport

**THINK YOU CAN'T AFFORD TCS?
THINK AGAIN!**

TCS proudly offers a need-based Tuition Assistance program to enable well-qualified students to receive an excellent Christ-centered education regardless of their socioeconomic standing.

Tuition assistance is awarded based on financial need and availability.

Please direct any questions to Tammy Barber at 806-791-6583.

* 2% discount on annual paid in full.
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Expansion Fee: A \$450 fee charged once per family to assist with ongoing TCS building improvements is not included in the numbers above. (The Expansion fee does not apply to PreK families.)

*Pre-Kindergarten students must be 4 by September 1, 2024.

*PreK – The Stretch and Grow Fitness Program takes place weekly and is a separate fee of approximately \$140 per PreK student.

Current Students

“Re-enrollment” begins on February 14, 2024. To be eligible for re-enrollment, returning student accounts must be in good standing with the business office or have an administrator-approved payment plan in place.

This year, your child will be automatically enrolled for the following school year, unless you communicate to us otherwise.

You are also agreeing to the following, which you will sign in Web Forms:

1. TCS mission, core values, and statement of faith which can be found [here](#).
2. Parenting – you are agreeing to complete your one hour of observation and one parenting class per semester.
3. Social Media – you are authorizing your child's image to be used in social media and TCS publications.
4. Field trip - you are authorizing your child to attend TCS field trips.
5. Financial agreement – you are agreeing to pay tuition for the entire year, even if your student does not complete the year at TCS.
6. Concerns or conflicts - If parents have a concern or are dissatisfied, they will seek to resolve the issue with the person(s) directly. Parents agree to not gossip about teachers, staff, or other school families, but to follow the principles of Matthew 18:15-17.

If your child will not be continuing his or her education at TCS (or even if you are unsure at this time), you will need to communicate that in writing by March 1st to Lanisa Fitzgerald at lfitzgerald@tclubbock.org. **We will keep that information confidential until after school is out.**

New Students

Application Fee: A fee of \$75 per child is charged for students applying to TCS.

New Student Enrollment Fee Grades PreK-12: A one-time enrollment fee (in lieu of a registration fee) of \$250 applies upon acceptance of each new student.

New families will also be required to purchase the tuition insurance unless the year is paid in full on or before 8/10/24.

Tuition Discounts

Discounts apply only to tuition - all other fees, services, and part-time student tuition are not discounted. Accounts must remain in good standing, in order to receive a tuition discount.

- **Multiple Child Discounts:** Full tuition is charged for the child enrolled at the highest grade level. Discounts for the other children (except PreK Part time) are applied at \$500 each.
- **Annual Paid in Full Discount:** A 2% discount is available to families who pay tuition and fees in full by August 10th.
- **Family Cap Discount:** A family cap tuition discount is provided for families with multiple children enrolled in TCS. **The tuition cap is \$35,825.** Please contact Tammy Barber for additional information.
- **Partnership Discount:** A \$250.00 credit, to be applied to January 2025 billing, will be awarded to a current TCS family who actively refers a new family to TCS. The new family must place the referring family's name on the referral line in their application and remain current with tuition billing for a 5-month probationary period. If you have any questions, please contact Lanisa Fitzgerald at lfitzgerald@tclubbock.org. Now available for Trinity Church or TCS staff/faculty!

Tuition Payments – FACTS Management

FACTS offers several different payment options.

Returning Students - The payment plan that you selected last year is still in place for the upcoming school year. If you need to make a change, call Tammy Barber at 806-791-6583.

New Students - You may choose to pay once per year or per semester. Other payment plans include once per month on the 5th, 10th, 15th or 20th, bi-monthly (twice a month) or weekly (every Friday). In addition, if you need an alternative payment plan, call Tammy Barber at 806- 791-6583.

Tuition Assistance

Families may inquire as to any available tuition assistance through the Business Office. Tuition assistance is awarded based on financial need and availability. Please direct any questions to Tammy Barber at 806-791-6583.

Note: All returning students requesting financial assistance need to have the following items completed by June 1st: Complete FACTS Grant and Aid Application and upload required supporting documents by June 1st - [Click Here](#).

If you also apply for funds through Ace Scholarship, your application and supporting documents are due by 4/15/24.

After-School Care

Families interested in after-school care can contact the EEC for pricing and availability, 806-791-8004.

Other Fees

- **Late Fee:** A \$50 late fee will be assessed for accounts not paid in full by the 20th of each month.
- **NSF Fee:** A \$50 fee will be assessed for all insufficient fund/returned checks/ACH payments.
- **Athletic Fees:** Athletics will provide a fee schedule for sports. Fees are non-refundable after the season begins. Injuries will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

For middle school 6th grade pre-athletics, the one-time fee will be \$125, and for 7th and 8th grade, the fee is \$600. For high school, the fee is \$725. (If you have a student who only cheers or does pom, the fee is \$375 for high school and \$275 for middle school.) Again, the fee is only charged one time, regardless of how many sports the student may play. **(These are approximations for the 2024/2025 school year - at this time)**

This fee is due within 30 days of billing; however, please reach out to Tammy Barber to adjust the due date, if needed.

- **Take Flight Dyslexia Therapy Fee:** A formal diagnosis of dyslexia, along with parental consent, is required for placement in these classes. There will be an additional fee schedule for the Take Flight program.
- **Miscellaneous Fees:** There are additional fees for mission trips, other trips, student clubs, additional materials for specialized classes, Student Success

Center, competitive athletics, school pictures, yearbook, PE, cheerleading and drama.

TCS Tuition and Fees Policy

1. The total annual tuition is paid out over a ten-month payment plan (August - May), with the first payment due in August. Payments may be made through ParentsWeb (FACTS) or in person in the Business Office.
2. Tuition accounts are delinquent after the 20th. A \$50 late fee is charged to all accounts not paid by the twentieth of each month. This late fee also pertains to After School Care.
3. Tuition accounts must be kept current. Students whose accounts remain delinquent may be suspended from the classroom, according to the Contract of Enrollment.
4. Tuition payments may be paid online or mailed to or dropped off at the Business Office at 6701 University Ave. Please do not give tuition payments to your child's teacher. Please do not put tuition payments or gifts to the school in the Trinity Church offerings. If you pay with cash, please bring the correct amount and get a receipt.
5. Do not include miscellaneous costs such as yearbook, school pictures, extended care, school trips, etc. with your tuition payment. Separate checks are required.
6. More than two insufficient checks returned from your bank may result in your account being put on a "cash only" basis.

If you have any questions regarding your tuition costs and/or payment schedule, please contact Tammy Barber at the School Business Office/Accounts Receivable at 806-791-6583.