TRINITY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL (TCS)

School Community
Trinity Christian School is an independent, Christian, college preparatory day school open to students of all races and creeds. Founded in 1981 by Trinity Church of the Assemblies of God, Trinity Christian School is one of the largest Christian schools in the south Dallas area. Presently, TCS has a total enrollment of approximately 550 students in grades PreK-12; with more than 200 enrolled in the high school. The staff, including teachers, administrators and pastors, includes 65 members.

School Accreditation
TCS is approved by the Texas State Department of Education and is accredited by the Association of Christian Teachers and Schools (ACTS). ACTS, a member of the National Council for Private School Accreditation, is recognized by TEPSAC, the educational entity that oversees all private school accreditation for the State of Texas. TEPSAC is recognized by the Texas Education Agency (TEA).

Curriculum and Graduation Requirements
Trinity Christian School offers a rigorous college-preparatory curriculum.

Requirements
- English: 4 credits
- Science: 4 credits
- Mathematics: 4 credits
- Social Studies: 4 credits
- Bible: 4 credits
- Foreign Language: 2 credits
- Physical Education: 1 credit
- Fine Arts: 1 credit
- Speech: 0.5 credit
- Electives: 2.5 credits

TOTAL: 27 credits

Academic Distinctions
- Math Distinction requires 4 years of honors/AP math.
- Science Distinction requires 4 years of honors/AP science.
- Language Distinction requires 4 years of honors/AP English and 4 years of a foreign language.
- Fine Arts Distinction requires 4 years of fine arts courses and completion of a portfolio by the end of senior year.
Grade Point Average (GPA)
TCS utilizes a weighted numerical grading system. Credits and cumulative GPA are officially recorded on the high school transcript for students in grades 9-12 and are based upon the semester average in a course. The total number of points earned is divided by the number of semesters attempted to determine the GPA. GPAs are derived from a four-point system based upon the following numerical scale:

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Class Rank
Class rank, weighted based on the student’s course rigor (Honors or Advanced Placement courses), is determined by the GPA of each student. Individual rank is reported to colleges on the student's transcript. Trinity Christian School provides a rigorous college prep educational environment with high expectations, small class sizes, and a 98% college bound population. A traditional ranking system may not provide an accurate comparison of TCS graduates to students from larger schools. TCS encourages colleges to take other aspects of our students into consideration for admissions and awards: GPA, rigor of courses, areas of involvement, and personal recommendations.

2017-2018 AP and Honors Course Offerings
- English: Pre-AP English I, Pre-AP English II, AP English III (Language & Comp.), AP English IV (Literature & Comp.)
- Science: Biology I Honors, Chemistry I Honors, Physics Honors, Introduction to Neuroscience
- Mathematics: Algebra I Honors, Geometry Honors, Algebra II Honors, Pre-AP Pre-Calculus, AP Calculus AB, AP Statistics (alternating years)
- Foreign Language: Spanish 1 Honors (8th grade), Spanish 3 Honors, Spanish 4 Honors
- Art: Studio Art Honors

2017-2018 Electives
- ACT/SAT Prep
- Art I/II/III
- Criminal Justice
- Dance
- Digital & Interactive Media
- Digital Photography
- Drumline
- Forensic Science
- Introduction to Neuroscience
- Integrated Physics & Chemistry
- Servant Leadership
- Spanish I/II/III/IV
- Sports Medicine
- Sports Psychology
- Strength & Conditioning
- Theatre Arts
- Worship
- Yearbook

Co-curricular Activities
TCS is a member of the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS) in the 5A Division. TCS 9th-12th grade students compete in athletics, academics and art through that organization. Students may participate in 14 interscholastic sports, Band, Choir, Drumline, Speech, Theater Arts, Student Council, and National Honor Society.

ACT/SAT Profile
Each year TCS prepares students for college readiness tests. The PSAT is administered in October of each year to students in grades 8 through 11. The ACT is offered to students in the spring of each year. In addition to the ACT/SAT Prep elective, students may participate in ACT/SAT test boot camps.

Academic Competitions
TCS competes in the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS) in the 5A Division. TCS 9th-12th grade students may compete in Spelling, Spanish, Current Events, Literary Criticism, Ready Writing, Social Studies, Number Sense, Calculator, Math, Advanced Math, and Science (Biology, Chemistry, and Physics).