



News in a Nutshell



423-639-0791

August 13, 2024

A Word from Mrs. Biebel-

Dear TOCS Families,
Most forms this year can be uploaded through the family portal, but we do need a paper copy of birth certificates, social security cards, and immunization forms for **all kindergarteners, any new students, AND immunization forms for ALL 7th grade students.** If you have not yet turned in all of these, [please get this taken care of immediately.](#)

We also need all parents/drivers to stay in their vehicle while students are loading to keep the carline moving consistently; we have a very large side parking lot where smaller children can be assisted with buckling up.

Due to the Lord's provisions through some loving and dedicated Christian physicians, T.O.C.S. will be offering FREE sports physicals next Friday evening, August 23 from 3:00-6:00

in the choir room. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity because all of our student athletes must have a sports physical on file as well as a signed liability waiver/code of conduct form. Please enter through the underground doors.

Our T.O.C.S. Cross Country season is already underway. We have both MS and HS cross country teams running August-early November. We practice four times per week and compete in about 10 races. We currently have 19 runners on the team and are always looking to add more. If you are interested in joining our team, please contact Coach David Scott at 423-329-2904. Go Warriors!

The 8th graders will be selling ice cream and sweet treats every Friday this school year, and the

P.T.F. will be selling popcorn on the last Friday of each month. All items are \$1, and the money will be used to help offset the cost of the 8th grade end of the year trip.

Please know that each of your families is prayed for daily and that we are here to support you and yours spiritually and academically. Please call the office if you have a prayer request that you would like added to the "School Family Prayer Concerns" section of the News in a Nutshell. I know that I speak on behalf of the TOCS faculty, staff, and other families when I say that we appreciate your prayers as well.

In His Service,

Amy Pfaff-Biebel

T.O.C.S. Administrator

Special points of interest:

- Aug. 12-16
1st week of preschool; hot lunches start for K-12
- Fri., Aug. 23 preschool-12 grade hot lunch & Chick-fil-a due for Sept. 2-Oct. 10; preschool pizza due for Sept.; HS Biology class field trip; PTF pops 2 p.m.; sports physicals 3:30-6:30
- Thurs., Aug. 29 Warrior Wear orders due
- Fri., Aug. 30 ALL staff professional learning day-NO School OR Preschool STUDENTS
- Mon., Sept. 2 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY-No school OR preschool
- Preschool school lunches begin when we return from the Labor Day holiday
- Remember to check your email for messages from TOCS and/or FACTS!
- Don't forget to link your savings cards at Food City and Ingles' to TOCS each year! AND scan your Box Tops receipts!
- Pick-up absentee assignments after 2 p.m. from the office cart
- Foul weather information 1340 AM, 1450 AM, 103.1 FM, tocsweb.com, & Facebook

FACTS reminder:

Please remember that it is your responsibility to keep our FACTS system up-to-date. Any basic information, such as address or phone number changes or pick-up permissions, as well as financial information and current COR-

RECT email addresses can all be accessed through your family portal account. Please check on your account occasionally, if you don't already, to make sure things are up-to-date. You should also check in the financial section for billings

that may be due; this is also where you can find statements of what has been paid to the school-especially useful at tax season! Just make sure to choose the correct school year you need to check on any time you log-on!

Welcome Back to School!

We have embarked on an exciting new year. We are so glad that you have chosen to enroll your student at TOCS. We are so thankful for the opportunity to partner with you in your child's growth both academically and spiritually. Let's continue to pray for one another throughout the year.

Each week you will be receiving the "News in a Nutshell." This is an important newsletter that will contain vital information. Each week you should receive the newsletter on Tuesday (Wednesday if you have a preschool child that does not attend Tuesday).

We would like to introduce you to the names of the Towering Oaks Christian School and Preschool staff:

School Administrator:
Mrs. Amy Pfaff-Biebel

Preschool Director:
Mrs. Brittaney Bible

**High School Administrative Assistant/Advisor/
High School Yearbook:**
Mrs. Kimberly Philbeck

Secretaries:
Mrs. Amanda Willis
Mrs. Velvet Seaton

School Nurse:
AM Mrs. Tonya Reeves
PM Mrs. Fran Miller

S.R. Officers:
Wayne Wilhoit and his K-9,
Boomer

**ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE
SCHOOL, & HIGH SCHOOL
STAFF:**

Kindergarten:
Mrs. Megan Dingus

Kindergarten Helper:
Mrs. Ozella Sams

First Grade :
Mrs. Morganne McKinney

First Grade Aide:
Ms. Amanda Wilson—T/TH

Second Grade:
Mrs. Kim Masters

Third Grade:
Mrs. Melissa Ayers

Third Grade Aide:
Mrs. Hannah Conner—T/TH
Mrs. Laura Hensley—M/W/F

Fourth Grade:
Mrs. Rita Brown

Fourth Grade Aide:
Mrs. Laura Hensley
Mrs. Kathy Austin—T/TH

Fifth Grade:
Mr. Kyle Kingery

**Sixth Grade Homeroom
Bible & ELA**

Middle School History:
Mrs. Sherry Stockton

**Seventh Grade Homeroom
Bible
Middle School Science
High School Environmental
Science:**
Mrs. Pat Carpenter

**Seventh Grade ELA
Intervention Specialist:**
Mrs. Rebecca Mancil

**Middle School Math/
High School Algebra 1 & 2
and Geometry:**
Mr. Harrell Ward

**Eighth Grade Homeroom
Bible & ELA
High School History**
Mr. Isaac Saults

**Ninth Grade Homeroom
9th Grade Bible
High School English:**
Mrs. Makayla Reeves
Mr. Roy Johnson—interim

**Tenth Grade Homeroom
10th Grade Bible
High School Biology & Physi-
cal Science:**
Mr. Marvin Reeves

**Eleventh & Twelfth Grade
Homeroom
Middle School & High School
Chapel:**
Mr. Kollyn Hurst

**CAD
Middle School & High School
STEM
High School Economics/
Government:**
Mr. Guy McAmis

**High School Personal Finance
& Consumer Math
Math Intervention Specialist:**
Mrs. Debbie Saults

Art:
Mrs. Desiree Yates

**Computer
High School Graphic Design:**
Mr. Patrick Franklin

Library:
Mrs. Mary Louise Hunt

Music & High School Choir:
Mrs. Kim McGee

**P.E.
High School Health/Wellness:**
Mrs. Amy Kemp

**3rd—5th & High School Span-
ish:**
Mrs. Rebekah Harrison

6th—8th Spanish:
Mrs. Katie Chaffin

PRESCHOOL STAFF:

Babies:
Mrs. Priscilla Hutto

Toddlers/ Young 2 Year Olds:
Mrs. Annie McKinney

2 Year Olds:
Mrs. Betty Ann Foulks

3 Year Olds:
Mrs. Sarah Ware
Mrs. Mindy Yoder

4 Year Olds M/W/F:
A Ms. Amanda Wilson
B Mrs. Hannah Conner

5 day 4's:
Mrs. Melissa Fritts

Fall 5's :
Mrs. Ashlyn Tarlton

Fall 5's Helper:
Mrs. Betty McKinney

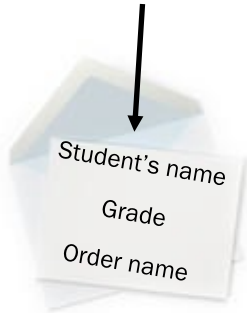
Preschool S.T.E.A.M.:
Ms. Brynne Jones

We are very fortunate to partner with our local **Foster Grandparent's Program** to benefit from the services of four ladies: Lynda Jenkins, Phyllis Jones, Brenda Justis, and Mrs. Vicki Kissel. Mrs. Lynda primarily assists with our 2nd grade class; both Mrs. Phyllis and Mrs. Brenda assist with our preschool program; and Mrs. Vicki assists with the babies.

Please pray for our staff, remembering them in their jobs and as they touch young people for the cause of Christ. Together we can have a great school year! Let's work together, pray for one another, and seek God's will in all that we do.

Correct Procedure for Returning Orders:

ORDER FORM AND
MONEY IN ENVELOPE!



Please remember, when returning orders and money to use **separate payments**. Each program is handled separately and orders and payment should be returned in separate **envelopes** labeled correctly. Please **do not staple** checks or cash to order forms; they are

too easy to tear getting them loose. If you use envelopes as we ask, there shouldn't be any need to use staples. **Enclose both the payment and the order form in the envelope! Please use a separate form for each child for every order, unless otherwise instructed.**

ALL forms from the blue orientation folder are due **NOW!**

Please remember to check the blue orientation folder for forms to be returned!



If you have not returned the forms that were enclosed in your child's blue orientation folder, please do so **THIS** week.

If you have not looked through that folder, please take time to do so. There are many very important reminders of our school policies that are included. **PLEASE** take notice, especially of how we ask orders to be returned: **separate** forms for each student, **DO NOT** combine payments, and **ENCLOSE BOTH the**

payment and the order form in the envelope! **PLEASE** do not **staple or tape** the payment to the order form—they are very easy to tear!! If you use envelopes as we ask, there shouldn't be any need to use staples or tape. **Check** or the **CORRECT CASH** is greatly appreciated!

If you are returning the yellow medication form, you should return the medicine which you are giving permission for your child to take, **WITH** the form. The

medicine you send in is kept in the nurse's office with the form and labeled with your child's name and will **ONLY** be used for them. If you choose to give permission for your child to take the basic meds we have on hand (**K-12th grade ONLY**), please remember to turn in the OTC form with the \$5 fee.

Since the "Warrior Wear" orders are not due until the end of the month, they can be returned at a later date.

School Family Prayer Concerns:



Name	Relation	Request
Eli Cutshall	Mrs. Velvet's (secretary) brother	recovering from surgery scheduled for today
Carolyn Duwe	Grandma of Clara (12th), Audrey (10th), and James (5th) McGee ; mother of Mrs. Kim McGee music teacher	cancer—continuing treatments
Barbara Justice	former TOBC financial secretary	recovering from back surgery
Robin Morrison	Diane Morrison's (former TOBC secretary) daughter	cancer
John Ray	Mrs. Velvet's (secretary) brother-in-law	health
Raena Richards	high school student	Leukemia