

Trinity Lutheran School

Academic Excellence ♦ A Safe & Respectful Place ♦ Sharing the Love of God

FAQs ABOUT TRINITY

What is Trinity's curriculum like?

Our curriculum is driven by children's needs rather than by high-stakes tests. We recognize the value of play and the fine arts and the importance of higher-order thinking skills. Our students give speeches, write research papers, and create posters. They sing often and learn to play instruments. They do service projects, visit nursing homes, study history, and discuss literature. The Christian faith is integrated across the curriculum, preparing our students to think and respond to the world with Biblical insight. Our students do very well on standardized national exams. Unlike many schools, we DO teach history, geography, social studies, and handwriting.

Special education services are provided through the Jackson County Intermediate School District. Our small size and multi-grade classrooms allow a unique level of flexibility to be able to instruct all students at the level that's right for them.

A copy of our published curriculum is available upon request.

Are TLS teachers credentialed?

Our teachers are state certified and highly qualified to teach all subjects. They hold endorsements in reading, social studies, music, language arts, and early childhood education. They hold specialized credentials in teaching the faith, ensuring that our classrooms reflect the love of Jesus.

Isn't a private education expensive?

Trinity offers the lowest private school tuition rate in the county. Tuition for 2016-2017 is only \$3885, and a second child is only \$2310. Additional children are free. Rates for active members of Trinity Lutheran Church and other LCMS congregations are even lower. In 2015-2016, Trinity awarded over \$45,000 in scholarships, so finances wouldn't keep a single child from receiving the blessings of our excellent Christian education. Our *Tuition Reduction Incentive Program* (TRIP) provides an easy way to help cover costs.

What about safety?

TLS is secured by a keypad entry system and video monitoring. We work closely with public safety officials to ensure the safety of children and staff. Our staff receives intensive training to prevent and respond to emergencies.

Does TLS have a breakfast and lunch program?

Yes. Our low-cost hot lunch and breakfast program is provided through Jackson Public School district. It meets federal regulations, so families can qualify for free and reduced lunches.

What about playgrounds?

Our beautiful campus includes two playgrounds, a soccer field, and lots of room to run. We're adjacent to the Audubon Society's Kate Palmer Sanctuary, an amazing learning lab of woodlands and wetlands.

What other student activities are available?

Trinity offers extra-curricular athletics, an annual outdoor education camp, concerts, and field trips. All grades participate in weekly chapel services. All fourth and fifth graders play in our band. In grades six to eight, students are expected to participate in band or choir, or both.