

Christ The King  
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## Welcome to the January First Friday Flash Newsletter!

This monthly newsletter is intended to give you an overview of activities and events around CTK Diocesan Schools through the upcoming month.

January's Virtue of the Month Is Fidelity  
The virtue of fidelity is being faithful to  
promises and commitments.

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*Classes resume after Christmas break  
next Tuesday, 1/9/24!*

Monday, 1/15/25, is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
and a SCHOOL HOLIDAY! NO CLASSES!

***January's 2pm Dismissal for Faculty Faith  
Development will be Wednesday, 1/17/24!***

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*Next Wednesday, 1/10, is Home & School's seasonal  
dress day fundraiser for January! January participants  
can wear blue, white, or*

*winter -themed shirt with jeans!*  
(If you paid for the full year last September,  
your student is good to go! If you are paying  
month-to-month, please pay \$5 by end of day, 1/9/24!)

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January is a BUSY month!  
Watch your emails for details for  
Catholic Schools Week Celebrations,  
Big Raffle deadlines, & more!

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*(see calendar of events further down in the newsletter)*

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### **A New Year's Prayer**

Lord, You make all things new  
You bring hope alive in our hearts  
And cause our Spirits to be born  
again

Thank you for this new year  
For all the potential it holds.

Come and kindle in us

A mighty flame

So that in our time, many will see the wonders of God

And live forever to praise Your glorious name.

- *Author Unknown*



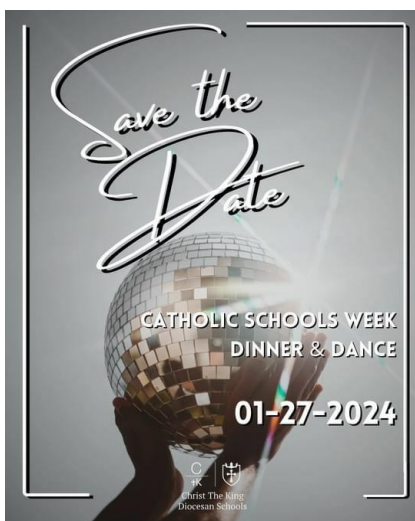
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**Don't Forget to Sell Your  
Tickets for The Big Raffle!  
Sold Tickets Are Due Mon.,  
1/23/24!**

Christ the King Diocesan Schools' Big Raffle, one of our biggest fundraisers, began before Christmas break! This raffle is the school's required fundraiser where each family must sell 20 - \$10.00 raffle tickets.

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## Get Your Tickets for the Catholic Schools Week Celebration Dinner & Dance on Saturday, 1/27/24

Help us celebrate our new era as a diocesan school by attending our annual Catholic Schools Week Dinner/Dance on Saturday, 1/27/24 at 6:30pm! All parents are invited to join CTK Schools' faculty and staff to kick off Catholic Schools Week with dinner, dance and fun! The theme for this year's event is "Eras".

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## Catholic Schools Week 2024 - Jan. 27 - Feb. 2

Christ the King Diocesan Schools along with over 5900 Catholic schools across the United States will be celebrating National Catholic Schools Week 2024 beginning Saturday, 1/27/24. During this special week of events and activities, CTK Schools will celebrate parents, faculty & staff, our students and those in our community who support our school throughout the whole year.

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## Thank You for Donating to "A Baby Shower for Mary" During Advent!

For this year's Advent project, our school community collected baby items for Lubbock's Nurturing Center. The Nurturing Center provides a safe, comfortable, and confidential environment to all women who come to their center in need of compassionate and individual tailored assistance during pregnancy.

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## Winter Open House - January 31, 2024

Christ the King Diocesan Schools will host our Winter Open House on Wednesday, 1/31/24 at 5:30pm. Prospective and current students and their families are invited to meet teachers and students, visit our classrooms and learn more about what makes CTK Diocesan Schools a great school!

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## Spring Academic Competition Prep Underway!

\* **PSIA Academic District Meet** for 1st - 8th grade students will be hosted at CTK Schools on Saturday, 2/24/24. Students are already working with coaches at the school, but parents are encouraged to watch and talk with their children so they can help them prepare at home too. Watch for volunteer opportunities for the meet!

\* **TAPPS Academic, Speech and Debate State Meet** for 9th-12th grade students will be April 22nd-24th in Waco. The **TAPPS State Art Meet** will be also be held in Waco, but on April 9th-10th. Students are currently self-studying and have all their study materials. We will start formal studying during the school day January. Parents are encouraged to ask your children to see what they are studying for competition.

\* The **CTK School Spelling Bee** will be held on Thursday, 2/15/24. Parents with students in 3rd-8th grades should have received an email from Mrs. Riney in early December with more details and a word list attached. Hard copies of the word list are also available in the front office.

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## Basketball Season is Going Strong!

*Prayers for Trojans and Golden Lions team successes!*

(all schedules are accurate as of publication but are subject to change! See Coach McComas' weekly email for updates!)

Tues.-1/9 - JV-boys/Varsity Basketball v. Southcrest Christian (HOME-JV-5/VG-6/VB-7:30)

Thurs., 1/11 - 1/13 - CTK 7th Grade Basketball Tournament (volunteers needed, see above!)

Fri., 1/12 - JV-boys/Varsity Basketball @ All Saints (JV-5/VG-6/VB-7:30)

Tues., 1/16 - JV/Varsity Basketball @ Abilene Christian (5/6/7:30)

Thurs., 1/18 - Fri., 1/20 - CTK 8th Grade Basketball Tournament (volunteers needed, see above!)

Fri., 1/19 - JV/Varsity Basketball @ Kingdom Prep (5/6/7:30)

Mon., 1/22 - JH Basketball @ Southcrest Christian (4/5/6/7)

Tues., 1/23 - Varsity Basketball v. Ascension Academy (HOME-6/7:30)

Thurs., 1/25 - WTCAA JH Basketball Playoffs @ Sharp Academy (times-TBA)

Fri., 1/26 - JV/Varsity Basketball @ Southcrest Christian (5/6/7:30)

Sat., 1/27 - WTCAA JH Basketball Playoffs @ CTK (time-TBA)

Mon., 1/29 - WTCAA JH Basketball Playoffs @ All Saints (time-TBA)

Tues., 1/30 - JV/Varsity Basketball v. Kingdom Prep Academy (HOME-5/6/7:30)

Fri., 2/2 - JV/Varsity Basketball v. All Saints (HOME-5/6/7:30)

Sat., 2/3 - WTCAA JH Championship Games @ St. Andrews

Students get in FREE to all HOME games!  
Adults entry fee is \$5.00 and non-CTK student entry fee is \$3.00! Come out and cheer on teams!  
For full schedules, visit the Athletics tab at [www.ctkschoolslbk.org](http://www.ctkschoolslbk.org)

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## LOW EFFORT FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES!

These are easy ways that your day-to-day spending can also help CTK Diocesan Schools!

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### Buy United/Market Street/Amigo's & Hundreds of Retailers thru RaiseRight to Help CTK Schools! | Christ the King Schools

You are encouraged to buy gift cards for hundreds of major retailers to use for your own day-to-day purchases or give them as gifts! Throughout the year, RaiseRight (formerly SCRIP) offers bonus percentages for various retailers. Visit [raiseright.com](http://raiseright.com) for a full list of retailers and the percentages they give back to the school.

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### Looking for Host Families for the Spring Semester 2024 School Year!

We are currently looking for new host families for our international students to begin hosting after Christmas break for the spring 2024 semester. In order to host, we ask the host family to provide three meals a day, transportation to and from school, and a bed for the student.

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## CTK CAFÉ NEWS & DEADLINES!

The CTK Café is open daily throughout the school year except when we have noon dismissal. If you need a refresher on how to order lunches, click here for printable instructions:

## Volunteer Opportunities | Christ the King Schools

There are MANY volunteer opportunities already this school year!

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## Non-Athletic Event Dates

*dates/times are accurate at time of publication but are subject to change! WATCH FOR EMAIL UPDATES FROM THE SCHOOL DEANS!*

1/9/24 - 2nd semester begins; classes resume	1/17- 2pm Early Dismissal for Faculty Faith Development; Home & School Meeting @ 5:30pm	1/30 - CTK Science Fair for High Schoolers	2/5 - 8:15am- First Monday All-School Morning Prayer	2/19 - Presidents Day - No School!
1/10 - H&S Seasonal Dress Day for January	1/27 - Catholic School Week Dinner/Dance for parents/faculty/staff (ticket info above)	1/31- CTK Science Fair for 4th - 8th grades; Winter Open House with PreK-Kinder presentation, 5:30-7pm	2/7 - H&S February Seasonal Dress Day	2/21 -2pm Early Dismissal for Faculty Faith Development
1/12 - "First Friday" All-School Mass & Adoration	1/27 - 2/2 - Catholic School Week activities	2/2 - First Friday All-School Mass & Adoration	2/13 - Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday); Elementary Valentine parties	2/22 - South Plains Regional Science & Engineering Fair
1/15 - MLK, Jr Day-No School!			2/14 - All-School Mass for Ash Wednesday	2/24 - PSIA District Meet hosted at CTK Schools

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