



Christ The King Diocesan Schools

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Welcome to the December 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. Watch for email updates from the school administration and coaches.

December's Virtue of the Month Is Purity.
Purity of heart is purity of intention, and purity of intention is fundamentally looking and treating others as persons, as ends in themselves, as gifts of God. Purity of heart is nothing else than pure love springing from the heart, to love others for themselves and not for the sake of our selfish desires.

*Wed., 12/11 - Christmas Dinner (at lunch)
Free Dress & 2pm Early Dismissal
for Faculty Faith Formation
NOON DISMISSALS on 12/19 & 12/20!*

THANK YOU!
Many thanks to everyone who donated to

iGiveCatholic on Giving Tuesday earlier this week! Though contributions are still being received, we have collected \$6700 so far! All donations will be directed to the Annual Appeal Campaign. Donations to the Annual Appeal can still be made to help meet school goals for financial aid support, student services, school facilities, and more. We invite you to make CTKDS part of your yearend gifting. It's not too late to donate to the Annual Appeal - visit <https://tinyurl.com/CTKDSAppeal>

There are MANY great volunteer opportunities this month and in January listed throughout this newsletter! Get your required hours fulfilled before time runs out!

Second Set of MAP Growth Testing Next Week!
Testing schedules for Kinder-12th grades have been planned for each school to allow students to be at ease with the test and balance with academic and extracurricular activities. Elementary classes will set their schedule by class over the week. Secondary classes will test in 1.5 hour blocks (one first thing and one right after lunch) with only two tests scheduled each day. Due to the out-of-town basketball game, JH will only take a test Monday morning and then will take a second one on Wednesday morning.

If you have any questions, please let Dr. C or Mrs. Ambrose know!

(see calendar of events further down in the newsletter)



Advent Prayer

Lord Jesus,
Master of both the light and the darkness,
send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.
We who have so much to do and seek quiet spaces to
hear your voice each day,
We who are anxious over many things look
forward to your coming among us.
We who are blessed in so many ways long for the
complete joy of your kingdom.
We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence.
We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light.
To you we say, "Come Lord Jesus!"
Amen.

- Henri J.M. Nouwen

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Vote for CTKDS in KCBD's Best of the West & City Bank's Community Rewards

Voting contests are closing soon! Please take some time to vote for CTKDS! Christ the King Diocesan Schools is participating in two voting competitions. The City Bank Community Rewards voting ends Friday, 12/6. Visit city.bank/communityrewards to vote. Guidelines allow for one vote per hour per email address.

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CTK BIG RAFFLE Underway

The Home & School Association has kicked off the school's BIG RAFFLE fundraiser early to give you more time to sell your required tickets - and maybe even sell more! If you have not already picked up your packet of tickets, you can do so from Mrs. Guzman during school hours.

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Christmas Fun Before the Break!

Wed., 12/11 - **Early Dismissal Free Dress** - show your Christmas spirit on Christmas dinner day!

Mon., 12/16 - **Polar Express Day** - everyone can wear school appropriate pajamas. All grades will have special activities during the day. (please note-students need to wear TENNIS shoes or other school-appropriate shoes)

Tues., 12/17 - **Warm & Cozy Dress Day** (sweaters/sweatshirts/sweatpants) for all except 2nd-5th graders who will need to wear jeans with uniform shirts for their field trip to the TTU Education Game Day

Wed., 12/18 - **Jingle bell & accessorize with Christmas bling!** Don't forget the Christmas program "Jingle Jukebox" at 6pm in the school gym!

Thurs., 12/19 - **Show your Christmas spirit by wearing your plaid or Christmas colors!** Don't forget **NOON** dismissal!

Fri., 12/20 - **All-School Mass followed by Christmas karaoke in the gym and then class parties!** Noon Dismissal to start Christmas break!

******Please follow school free dress guidelines for ALL special dress days!******

Enjoy Christmas Break from 12/23 - 1/3!
See you back for classes on Monday, 1/6/25

Volunteers for Gate and Concession Are Needed for ALL Home Games.

Parents from all grades are invited to volunteer to help.

Haven't helped before?

That's OK! It's easy, and we can train you!

Click this link to schedule a game and time that works for you:

[CTK Gate & Concessions Volunteers](#)

*Coming soon - Junior High Basketball Tournaments
Jan. 9th-11th and Jan. 16th-18th
Many volunteers will be needed!*

Additional Volunteer Opportunity!
The Home & School Association's Teacher Appreciation Committee is



ANGEL WORKSHOP 2024

Angel Workshop helps CTK Students get into the spirit of giving by offering inexpensive, quality gifts for students to buy for their friends and family.

This year's workshop will be 12/9-12/13 in the FAC.

Elementary teachers reserve time for their class to shop together. Junior high and high

hosting the Annual Faculty & Staff Christmas Lunch on Friday, 12/13/24. You can fulfill some of your volunteer hours by providing items for the lunch.

Click here to sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084CACA72DA4FB6-53562975-2024>

For more information, contact TAC Chair, Casey Carrothers at caseycarrothers@hotmail.com

school students can visit after school or with permission from their teachers. Gift wrapping is available for an additional 50 cents per gift.

Workshop Elves (parent volunteers) are needed to guide and help little shoppers. To help guide our elves, please sign-up

at

Angel Workshop
Volunteers

Save the Date

Dream Big
& shoot for the stars

Please join us

for an evening of festivities to honor our Christ the King Diocesan Schools faculty & staff and celebrate Catholic education in the Diocese of Lubbock

January 25, 2025
6pm



Trojan & Golden Lions Basketball Season is Underway!

The CTK teams are competing multiple times each week!
Check out the schedule links below to come out
and cheer on our student athletes!

Click here for Variety schedules: [Golden Lions Athletics](#)
and here for junior high schedules: [Trojans Athletics](#).
Schedules are subject to change. See Coach McComas'
weekly email for most accurate game times.



Show Your CTK Spirit with Trojan #1 Fingers and Golden Lion Paws for Basketball Season!

Show your Trojan and Golden Lion pride with a purchase of a #1 Trojans Finger or Golden Lion Paw! The CTK Class of 2025 is selling these items for \$10 each or two for \$16!

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Buy United/Market Street/Amigo's & Hundreds of Retailers thru RaiseRight to Help CTK Schools!

Volunteer Opportunities

There are MANY volunteer opportunities already this school year!

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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 for a full list of retailers and the percentages they give back to the school.

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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!

12/9-12/13 -
Angel Workshop
(see above);
MAP Growth
Testing

12/11 - Christmas
Dinner (@ lunch);
Free Dress-
Christmas Dress;
2pm Early
Dismissal

12/16-12/19-
Special Dress
Days (see
above);
JH/HS Mid-
Term Testing
(see
schedule
from Mrs.
Reyes)

12/19 -
NOON
DISMISSAL

12/20 - All
School Mass @
8:15; Christmas
Karaoke and
Christmas
parties
followed by
NOON
Dismissal

12/23-1/3 -
Christmas
Break!

Mon., 1/6/25 -
Classes resume

1/9-1/11 - CTK
7th Grade
Basketball
Tournament

1/15 - 2pm Early
Dismissal

1/20 - Student
Holiday/Teacher
Professional
Development
Day

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