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Upcoming Events

Saturday, October 1 - TPCA Online Book Fair begins

Monday, October 3 - PTF Monthly Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 11 - Wednesday, October 12 - Early Childhood Picture Day

Tuesday, October 11 - Ident-A-Kid ID Card Program, 8:45 - 10:15 a.m.

Wednesday, October 12 - Wednesday, October 19 - TPCA Book Fair in Media Center

Tuesday, October 18 - K-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences

Tuesday, October 18 - TPCA Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 19 - K-12 No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences

Wednesday, October 19 - Friday, October 21 - Early Childhood No School

Thursday, October 20 - Friday, October 21 - K-12 No School, Fall Break

Friday, October 28 - Family Portraits, 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 29 - Family Portraits, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Friday, November 11: Save the Date for the Annual PTF Auction

The Auction is Close!



Reserve your favorite babysitter now, and join us for the PTF Annual Fundraising Auction on 11/11/11 at Eagle Church from 6-9 p.m. Come bid on some new, exciting items such as playing guitar with former Colt, Hunter Smith of The Hunter Smith Band. Are you a Butler fan? Come bid on a one-of-a-kind Butler basketball experience! The evening at the auction will not only include bidding on fantastic items, but also student performances of song and instrument, and scripture readings by students. It will be an evening you won't want to miss!

Reserve Your Table or Tickets!

Buy a full table for 8 (\$180) or individual tickets (\$30 each) by October 11 before the price goes up! You can purchase tickets through the school office. E-mail any questions or special seating requests to Tracy Dull at tracydull@briartek.com.

Now Accepting Donations

All donations, big or small, are being accepted in the school office. Whether your donation is a Colts T-shirt or a weeklong stay in a vacation spot, we are thrilled to have it! Please complete the intake forms found in the office or on the auction website.

Be an Auction Sponsor

Put your business on the BidPal device itself and on the big screens on stage at the auction! This year, sponsors have a special sponsorship benefit: their logo will be placed in the rotation of business logos on each and every BidPal device. Contact Shannon Lee at auction@tpcs.org for more information. The deadline for donations is November 7 due to BidPal.

Classroom Projects

Projects are underway and the excitement is building for all the students. These projects sound like they are going to be amazing! Thank you, parents and teachers, for all of your hard work in putting these together. What a blessing to be surrounded by so many creative, generous people!

Is Your University Represented?

The votes are pouring in... IU, Purdue, Ball State, Butler, The Ohio State University, and maybe your alma mater? Make sure your alma mater is represented in the collegiate competition by e-mailing auction@tpcs.org to submit your school. The schools with the most requests will be in the donations competition at the auction!

Get Excited to Shop!

Check the auction website often for updated lists of Apprentice Adventures and auction items. Because it's an adult-only auction, consider looking through the auction website with your children to see if there's something to add to their Christmas or birthday wish list.

Learn more about auction details at www.tpcs.org/auction.asp, or contact

auction@tpcs.org.

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"He must become greater, we must become less." John 3:30

TPCA Now Offering Text Messages To Keep You Informed

Keeping you informed is a top priority at TPCA, which is why the Academy adopted the ALERTNOW Notification System. We are excited to provide you with an additional way to be notified of special announcements and emergency matters!

TPCA parents, staff, and friends now have the option of receiving text messages from the Academy, which will include weekly reminders as well as emergency notifications. Recipients must opt-in to receive this text messaging service. NOTE: There may be additional charges for text messaging based on the contract you have with your individual phone company. The text message option is in addition to the e-mail and phone alerts that we will continue to use for school-wide communication.

To sign up to receive this new text service:

- 1) Visit the portal of the Traders Point Christian Academy's AlertNow text site at www.alertnowsms.com.
- 2) Enter Traders Point Christian Academy's six-digit PIN: **tp2450** and click Opt-In.
- 3) Provide a primary and an optional, secondary cell phone number.
- 4) Agree to the text terms and conditions and then submit the information. Upon confirmation, Traders Point Christian Academy will be able to send reminders and emergency alerts to the designated cell phones, thus keeping parents, faculty/staff, and board members informed of the latest information.

As a recipient of TPCA text messages, you will see the number 63079. You may want to program this number into your phones so that the texts show up as being from the Academy. Please note that you cannot reply to these texts.

Family Directory Artwork Contest

Congratulations to ALL students who submitted artwork...there were over 90 entries! We have a lot of talented artists here at TPCA! First place will be on the front cover of the Student Directory. The runner up and all honorable mentions will be featured in the Directory.

First Place – 9th Grader Danae Johnston

Runner Up – 4th Grader Charlotte Kauffman

Honorable Mentions:

9th Grade - Emilee Johnston
8th Grade - Emily Mais
6th Grade - Sydney Kowal, Jessica Jackson, Cayla Richardson, Fehintolu Odelowo, Lexia Shelton, and Isabel Bostick
5th Grade - Emma Rota-Autry
4th Grade - Alexis Bright, Grace Bucher, Makaleigh Jordan, and Amelia Bostick
3rd Grade - Izabella Shaul, Jada Vaden, Rachel Croner, Hayley Saxon, Anna Fischer, and Ale Nelson
2nd Grade - Emily Saxon, Rene Hubble
1st Grade - Zach Meeks
Kindergarten - Joel Cook, Logan Wilding, Isaac Matlock, Brody Kladis, Ella Nordhoff, and Avery Gilbert

TPCA Book Fair - October 12-19

Please rev up for the Book Fair! It begins in less than 2 weeks. We are in need of lots of volunteers! Please volunteer TODAY from our homepage or from Sign-up Genius.

TPCA homepage: www.bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/tpca

Sign-up Genius: www.signupgenius.com/go/tpca5

NEW! Online Fair starts 10-1-11

Get a head start or send out-of-town relatives to Christmas shop at our online sale! Check it out! The website goes live on October 1st!

www.scholastic.com/schoolbookfairs/2852170

Encounter: TPCA

You Really Do Need To Attend Encounter: TPCA

What is this and why do you want to be there? Encounter is TPCA's version of an open house for **current and prospective families**. Sit down in a smaller, intimate setting to hear our teachers share about what goes on in their classroom, how we teach, what we teach, and why. Get to know them. See our intentionality and how each year builds for the next. Talk to parents and students at various grade levels. Ask your questions. **Bring your friends** (get that referral credit when they apply and are admitted). Come every

year – information is always different. You will leave energized about your child’s present and future at TPCA. Here is what one TPCA parent has to say about **Encounter:**

"I have attended at least one encounter at every grade level due to the age span of my kids the past couple of years. I have probably attended 5 or more encounters total. One may ask, why do you keep going? After the first couple of meetings I realized different information is presented at different grade levels. I also realized that these presentations are not just a cookie cutter presentation with repeat information. While some of the information is repetitive each year the meetings have been extremely beneficial to our family as we learn what is currently going on academically within each grade area, what impact state standards and testing have on our curriculum and how the teachers are addressing those standards. It has been overwhelming to hear from each teacher as they share their heart for our children and how they integrate their Christian faith into the curriculum. As our school program grows and changes it has been reassuring to see how strategically intentional our administration and staff have been to make the right decisions for the TPCA constituency. These meetings then in turn help us to guide our kids." Nancy, students in grades 1, 6, and 8

Fall Encounter dates are:

Monday, October 24 th @ 6:00 p.m.	Grades K – 5
Tuesday, November 1 @ 6:30 p.m.	Grades 6 – 8
Monday, November 7 @ 6:30 p.m.	High School

K-12 Music Programs

Please mark your calendars

Elementary Christmas, December 5
Secondary Christmas, December 12

Secondary Spring, May 7
Elementary Spring, May 14

The 5th grade band will perform during the secondary programs.

Ident-A-Kid ID Cards

The **Ident-A-Kid Program** will be at TPCA on Tuesday, October 11th from 8:45 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. to photograph, fingerprint, weigh, and measure children. Medical information can also be included, such as allergies, medications, etc. Participation in the program is at the individual parent’s option.

Cost is per child: 1 card \$8; 3 cards +

Special Labels Update

Labels for Education would like you to spread the word to family and friends that when they sign up for *e-Labels for Education* between **9/11** and **10/16** they will instantly receive **250 Labels for Education** points!

It's easy! In three steps, you can receive this great offer.

1. **Click:** Visit eLabelsforEducation.com to register your shopper card
2. **Register:** Register your shopper card, select TPCA
3. **Earn:** Every time you purchase participating *Labels for Education* products with your shopper card, TPCA will automatically receive 1 point for each product purchased. We can also still clip and redeem UPCs to earn the face value of *Labels for Education* points to earn even more for TPCA.

Shop. Swipe. Earn. Now you can earn FREE stuff for TPCA instantly through your frequent shopper card with *e-Labels for Education*.

eKid \$ 11; and 5 cards + eKid \$16. Purchase 3 or more ID cards and have the student's ID card sent to the parent's CELL PHONE. Parents will receive a laminated wallet-sized ID card (similar to a driver's license) with information about their child.

An application envelope with additional information about the Ident-A-Kid Program will be sent home with the students about one week before the program date. Grades 6 through 9 will receive pre-driver ID cards. Siblings welcome!

Volunteer Need

Book Fair Set-up

Mrs. Mais is setting up the Book Fair THIS Thursday, October 6, after school. She still a number of volunteer needs. If you are able to help, please sign up [HERE](#).

Now more than 2,500 participating products!

TPCA Board Meeting

Change of Date

The next TPCA Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 18th at 6:00 p.m. Please make this change on your calendars. Access our Open Session Meeting Minutes [here](#).

Spirit Wear

We still have some spirit wear available for purchase - cash & carry. For more information, contact lkowal@tpcs.org.

Leadership Coffee

If you were unable to attend the Leadership Coffee last week, you can access our minutes from the meeting [here](#).

Join TPCA on Facebook

The TPCA FACEBOOK page has been up and running for a while now with few glitches, so we are ready to invite everyone who uses FACEBOOK to log in and "Like" TPCA. Just click [HERE](#) to get to our page and then click on "Like" to be part of our online community. Share TPCA news with all your friends, too! Please note that the official TPCA page has the school seal in color as the page photo. If that is missing, you are not on the real TPCA page. Thanks, and let the social networking begin!

TPCA Student Report Cards

Now ONLY on NetClassroom

Reminder families...in an effort to best steward the resources God provides and make sure that parents receive and can readily access their students' report cards, we will no longer provide printed copies for students to bring home each grading period. Instead, parents will receive an email from TPCA notifying you when your student's report card is available for review on your NetClassroom

account. You may easily print a copy from that site if desired. If you no longer have your login information or need assistance with NetClassroom, please contact [Linda Becker](#) or [Toni Kanzler](#) in the TPCA admissions office. We believe this will minimize the number of report cards that end up at the bottom of backpacks, lockers, and such, and provide ready access to parents from any internet connection. Thank you for your support in making this improvement.

Family Portraits

The TPCA High School Yearbook Staff is hosting an opportunity for families and staff of TPCA to have their portraits taken.

We will be taking family portraits in rooms M1 and M2, Friday October 28 from 4 -8 p.m., and Saturday, October 29 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Families can sign up at www.signupgenius.com. First, click "find a sign up" and enter dtooley@tpcs.org to sign up for a specific time.

We are offering family portraits on CDs free of charge; however, donations are greatly appreciated.

Every Child Needs a Praying Mom

Moms In Touch

Do you worry about your children? Replace your anxiety and fear with peace and hope by praying with other moms. ***Moms In Touch International*** gathers moms together to pray specifically and scripturally for our children and school.

Our TPCA group meets every Wednesday at 8:30 at Traders Point Christian Church. We would love to see you this Wednesday!

Please contact Claire Shelton with questions: cshelton6@indy.rr.com

Won't you join us in prayer for this next generation?

SURF TPCA

Serve Using Resources For TPCA

SURF TPCA highlights quick and easy opportunities to help our school. Through updates like this, we hope to raise awareness, provide details, and share tips on how to make each work in your home. Involve the whole family! Let's SURF!

Box Tops & Campbell's Labels - Last year TPCA families redeemed over \$1100 for new equipment and supplies in Box Tops alone. With increased enrollment this year, it should be easy to exceed last year's total. Keep collecting your box tops and labels! Keep a small cup or baggie in your pantry for convenience. Periodically send them in your child's backpack or deposit them into the receptacle in the foyer at TPCA.



NEW! Reward Your School - In addition, the Box Tops program has added another easy way to help TPCA earn points. Simply visit the [Reward Your School](#) website and sign up. This site allows you to link your shopping cards, such as Kroger and Marsh, to your Box Tops account/school and earns you additional special promotions while you shop. Plus right now, each user gets bonus points if enough families sign up. The special promotions add up quickly. One parent's account has over 250 box tops points, which is \$25 direct to the school with no clipping required. Remember, this is in addition to clipping your Box Tops. We can still redeem the actual Box Tops from the products for more points. What an easy way to double, or even more than double, your Box Tops earnings!

Marsh Fresh Idea Card - Register your card to benefit TPCA at any Marsh store or on the Marsh [website](#). Our school ID is 28886. Each time you make a purchase at Marsh, you will be helping TPCA earn points toward equipment and supplies!

Target stores VISA REDcard - Target's rewards program for K-12 schools is called "Take Charge of Education" and is linked to their VISA REDcard. Register your Target REDcard on their [website](#) or in the stores. Let's add TPCA to the list of schools receiving big bucks at each Target checkout line.

GoodSearch - An online philanthropic search engine that utilizes Google. Specify TPCA as your donor organization, and the Academy gets one cent for every search you make through the site, plus a percentage of any purchases you make online through the site.

Prayer Corner

- Praise God for the way He has and is providing for the needs of TPCA and pray for His continued provision for the Academy.

- Praise for the success of the *Building Foundations* fund and those who have supported TPCA through this annual giving opportunity.
- Pray for healing and comfort for former TPCA parent Jay Shultz, who had a very serious injury while serving in Haiti. Please also pray for his wife, Amy, and for their children.
- Pray for the volunteers who are very busy organizing the PTF Fall Auction and for His provision and guidance throughout.
- Praise for an overwhelming turnout at the Dad's Club events, the Family Campout and *Courageous* Movie Night.
- Pray that the students and families new to TPCA this year will continue to feel welcomed.
- Pray for Robert Voorhis, father of Marcia Hinchman, who was recently diagnosed with heart failure and has moved into a nursing home.

If you would like to submit prayer or praise items, please contact [Leslie Kowal](#).