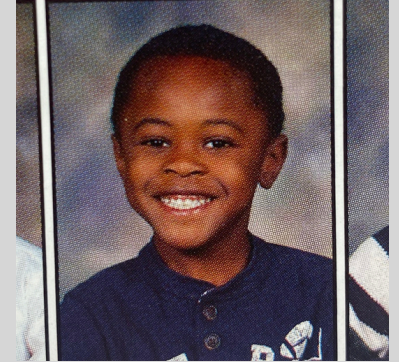


TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

Deacon Sterna



Deacon's athletic journey began at TCS, where he attended from Kindergarten through Grade 9. During his time at TCS, he was an active member of several Junior High sports teams, including basketball, badminton, and track & field. The Covid-19 pandemic, however, posed a major challenge in Grade 8, halting many athletic activities. Despite these challenges, Mr. D's dedication to athletics never wavered. In Grade 9, even when covid restrictions were still in place, he found ways to keep the teams engaged, including holding outdoor basketball practices in March. His commitment ensured that Deacon and his teammates could continue to bond, even if they could only scrimmage among themselves.



Kindergarten 2011-12



In Grade 11, encouraged by a local gym's trainer, Deacon decided to pursue football at Dr. EP Scarlett. By Grade 12, his talent caught the attention of several Canadian universities, offering him football scholarships. Deacon chose to attend UBC, understanding he would be redshirted, meaning he could only participate in practices during his first year.

When he arrived at training camp, Deacon's readiness to play surprised the coaching staff. He played in every game that season, earning a starting position on the defensive line. His outstanding performance led to a tie for the most sacks in the Canada West conference and second place in tackles for loss yardage, earning him Rookie of the Year honors.

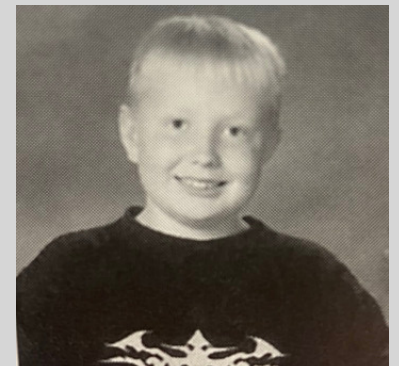
Deacon's journey is far from over. He plans to stay at UBC to complete his degree while continuing to develop his football career, with hopes of one day playing professionally.

Jay McDonald

Meet Jay McDonald, a TCS alumnus and the owner/content creator of Roam Creative. Jay attended TCS from September 2001 (Grade 4) until his graduation in June 2007. During his time at TCS, he developed a deep love and passion for music and fondly remembers his time with Mr. Berry who was the Praise and Worship Band teacher at the time. Jay went on to achieve notable success in the field including a stint in a mainstream band.

After the passing of his brother who dealt with addiction and mental health issues, Jay felt compelled to raise awareness so he could help others in similar situations. He spent some time working with Kid's Help Phone and this drive led him to an opportunity to work with Indigenous youth in the northern regions.

Through a series of unexpected events while trying to figure out life, Jay found himself behind a camera lens. It quickly became apparent that he had a natural talent for capturing the beauty around him, despite being colour blind, and this discovery ultimately led to the creation of Roam Creative. Jay has had the opportunity to work with some prestigious clients like National Geographic, Lamborghini, and the BBC.



Grade 4 2001-02



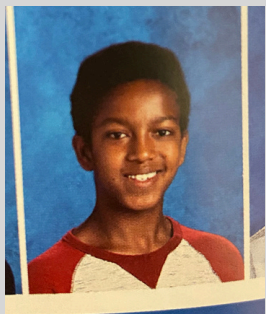
Go Karting in Grade 9

Looking back on his time at TCS, Jay reflects on how, despite spending a fair amount of time in the principal's office, he always felt deeply loved and supported by the school community. He credits the guidance and encouragement he received during his years at TCS as a key influence in shaping the person he has become. Jay believes that the nurturing environment at TCS helped him grow both personally and spiritually, and continues to appreciate the school's commitment to embracing all of God's children. Through its dedication to supporting students, TCS plays a significant role in guiding them toward becoming the best versions of themselves for God's glory.

Alumni in Albainia



Jared Heppner



Biniyam Vriend



Max Kaldi



Eli Berstad

A group of four alumni from TCS—Jared Heppner, Eli Berstad, Biniyam Vriend, and Max Kaldi (class of 2021) attended Capernwray Bible School in Albania this year, where they embarked on a journey of spiritual growth, community building, and impactful service. Their time at TCS formed the foundation of a lasting friendship, which led them to serve together in a beautiful and meaningful way.

During their time at Capernwray, Jared, Eli, Biniyam, and Max had the opportunity to participate in short-term missions and outreach projects, serving in churches and Christian organizations across Albania, Kosovo, and North Macedonia. Their experiences were nothing short of transformative, allowing them to witness firsthand how God is at work in these regions while engaging in meaningful ministry.

Jared and Max spent time in Kosovo, where they supported local congregations and assisted with various outreach programs, helping to strengthen the faith community in the region. Eli traveled to North Macedonia, where he and his group worked to spread God's love through English classes and outreach efforts on the streets, with the hope of laying the groundwork for starting a church in the area. Meanwhile, Biniyam served in a high school youth ministry in Albania, where he quickly connected with a group of teenage boys. His ministry was incredibly meaningful, and he shared that he learned just as much from the young people as he did about leading and teaching.

Their time spent at Capernwray has had a profound impact on these young men, and they are eager to use the knowledge, skills, and friendships they have cultivated to make a lasting difference in the world around them. The foundation they built together at TCS paved the path for their journey at Capernwray, and the mission work they undertook is sure to inspire others to serve and engage with communities, both near and far.

30th Anniversary

The 2023–2024 school year marked the 30th Anniversary of Trinity Christian School. To celebrate this milestone, a special event was held on February 28, 2024, at TCS. It was a meaningful evening dedicated to honoring and expressing deep gratitude to our founding families. These individuals made incredible sacrifices of time, money, and talents many years ago, and today, we stand on the foundation they built.

The celebration featured a panel of founding parents, a former student who is now a parent of a child at TCS, a former principal, our current principal, and our executive director. Nearly 200 current families and alumni attended, making for a joyous occasion. A central theme of the evening was reflecting on God's immense faithfulness to TCS over the past three decades.

As we look toward the future, our prayer and desire is to remain faithful to God and His Word as we lead TCS into the next 30 years. Praise the Lord!



Christian High School



In line with the missions of both Trinity Christian School and Glenmore Christian Academy, the establishment of a christian high school embodies this unwavering commitment: to cultivate within students a biblical worldview that guides their decisions and behaviours in accordance with the truth of God's Word.

The absence of a christian high school in south Calgary, coupled with overcrowded public and Catholic institutions, underscores a pressing need. The prevailing ideological landscape within public education, often influenced by political agendas, starkly contrasts with the foundational principles of faith-based education. Our community's readiness for a christian high school is formidable.

For more information on the development of a christian high school in south Calgary please see our website at www.tcskids.com/high-school