

Ways to Give

Your gift to Trinity makes it possible for all of our students to participate in a Christ centered Lutheran education that was rated four stars by the Indiana Department of Education last year. Trinity Lutheran High School has many and various ways of giving which provide for the needs of the school. By considering your options carefully, you may tailor your gift to best match your financial situation with the needs of the school.

IMMEDIATE GIFTS

Credit Card

Our giving site is safe, secure, and convenient for everyone to use. If you would like to give a credit card donation to Trinity, please go to the Trinity website at trinitycougars.org and look for the parents tab on the top of the page. When you click on the parents tab a drop down menu will appear with the headings tuition assistance, pay tuition, and frequently asked questions. Click on pay tuition and it will take you to a secure site where you can make your donation. Please make sure to include in the notes section of your payment the type of gift you are giving and where you want the gift designated. If you have any questions feel free to contact David Probst, Director of Development at 812-524-8547.

Check

Make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran High School and return to:

Trinity Lutheran High School
7120 North County Road 875 East
Seymour, Indiana 47274

Automatic Withdrawal

Automatic Withdrawal from your bank account makes giving to Trinity easy. By using the automatic withdrawal method, you get the ability to decide on the donation amount, the frequency of the gift, the place you want your gift designated, and the duration of your donation period. If you would like to give an automatic withdrawal donation to Trinity, please go to the Trinity website at trinitycougars.org and look for the parents tab on the top of the page. When you click on the parents tab a drop down menu will appear with the headings tuition assistance, pay tuition, and frequently asked questions. Click on pay tuition and it will take you to a secure site where you can make your donation. Please make sure to include in the notes section of your payment the type of gift you are giving and where you want the gift designated. If you have any questions feel free to contact David Probst, Director of Development at 812-524-8547.

Matching Gifts

Gifts to Trinity may be doubled or even tripled through Matching Gifts programs provided to employees of many companies. Please contact your Human Resources Office to find out the necessary steps to submit a match request.

Gifts of Property, Stocks, Bonds & Securities

Trinity Lutheran High School can work with you to convert your gift of tangible assets such as property, stocks, bonds and securities into a tax-deductible gift to enhance our mission to educate, develop, and prepare Christian servants and leaders. Please contact David Probst, Director of Development at 812-524-8547 to learn more about donating gifts of property, stocks, bonds, and other securities to Trinity, or receive help with finding a financial planner who can assist you with the process.

Gifts of Livestock or Crops

Trinity Lutheran High School can work with you to convert your gift of livestock or crops into an income tax free gift that enhances our mission to educate, develop, and prepare Christian servants and leaders. Please contact David Probst, Director of Development at 812-524-8547 to learn more about donating gifts of livestock or crops to Trinity or to receive help with finding a financial planner who can assist you with the process.

Required Minimum Distribution (RMD)

A required minimum distribution (RMD) is a % of your retirement account that the Government requires you to withdraw from your IRA each year once you have attained age 70 ½ and older (failure to do so may result in a 50% penalty). Anyone who has an RMD can gift it directly to Trinity and not pay income taxes on it. Trinity Lutheran High School can work with you to convert your required minimum distribution (RMD) into an income tax free gift that enhances our mission to educate, develop, and prepare Christian servants and leaders.

Because the withdrawal of required minimum distribution (RMD) may involve financial planning, legal or tax issues, a person should always consult a financial planner, tax adviser, or attorney to determine how his or her situation may be affected. Please contact David Probst, Director of Development at 812-524-8547 to learn more about required minimum distribution (RMD) giving or receive help with finding a financial planner who can assist you with the process.

Planned Giving

Our planned giving solutions include creative options from annuities, trusts, and bequests to life insurance and other financial vehicles that often benefit not only Trinity Lutheran High School but provide donor benefits as well. Planned giving involves providing for a future gift to charities through your financial and estate plans. Trinity welcomes gifts made through different planned giving arrangements that can provide for you and your loved ones, entitle you to charitable income and/or gift or estate tax deductions, and enable you to leave a legacy for Trinity and its students.

Because planned giving may involve financial planning, legal or tax issues, a person should always consult a financial planner, tax adviser, or attorney to determine how his or her situation may be affected. Please contact David Probst, Director of Development at 812-524-8547 to learn more about planned giving or receive help with finding a financial planner, accountant, or lawyer who can assist you with the process.

SGO: Scholarship Granting Organization (Indiana Residence Only)

State tax credits are available to individuals or corporations who donate to the Lutheran Scholarship Granting Organization in the name of Trinity Lutheran High School. All Lutheran SGO donations are eligible for a 50% State Tax Credit (not a deduction) which allows donors to minimize or eliminate state taxes paid on a current year's income. To learn more about giving through the Lutheran SGO program please read the information provided in the Scholarship Granting Organization section of the giving tab of Trinity.

Thrivent Choice Dollars and Thrivent Action Team

Thrivent Financial has two methods of giving to Trinity Lutheran High School. The first method is by giving your Thrivent Choice Dollars earned through Thrivent qualifying insurance products. You can direct Choice Dollars to as many organizations as you like. However, you must direct a minimum of \$5 Choice Dollars to each organization.

The second method is by leading a Thrivent Action Team with a service project at Trinity. All Thrivent members are eligible to lead a Thrivent Action Team, however, the number of teams each member can lead per year depends on his or her membership type. Benefit members are eligible to lead two Thrivent Action Teams per calendar year, and associate members are eligible to lead one per calendar year (maximum of three).

To learn more about directing Thrivent Choice Dollars to Trinity or creating a Thrivent Action Team to benefit Trinity please call David Probst, Director of Development, or Principal Stellwagen at 812-524-8547.

PERPETUAL GIFTS

Trinity Lutheran High School Endowment Fund

The Trinity Lutheran High School Endowment Fund is dedicated to the Lord and advancing the mission and vision of the school – to educate, equip, and prepare Christian servants and leaders. The endowment seeks gifts, contributions, donations, and bequests (collectively “gifts”) for the purpose of impacting the lives of students and their families. Gifts to the endowment that Trinity can receive include but are not limited to: cash, certificate of deposits, mutual funds, stocks and bonds, life insurance annuities, qualified and non-qualified retirement plans items of property, real estate, bequests from trusts and wills, donor advised funds, charitable remainder trusts, and charitable lead trusts.

Because endowment funds may involve financial planning, legal or tax issues, a person should always consult a financial planner, tax adviser, or attorney to determine how his or her situation may be affected. Please contact David Probst, Director of Development at 812-524-8547 to learn more about endowment giving or receive help with finding a financial planner, accountant, or lawyer who can assist you with the process.