

Dear Board of Directors of TBCS:

It has been brought to my attention that there are major changes happening with the distribution of funds generated by the TRIP program. It will take many hours to program the tracking program that separates and distributes the funds earned. There are only 16 families using TRIP a month. More than half of these families actually use it to donate to other families. There are 3 volunteers that run TRIP. It is a lot of work.

If 60% of the earnings go directly to the school and 40% to the families using it I know that a lot of people will stop using it all together. This year earnings were at \$5200, around 20 families in total used it. They approximately all earned \$260 dollars each to put toward their tuition. Next year using the same numbers they would make approximately \$150 dollars. It just doesn't seem worth it any longer.

With all the credit card and rewards cards out there they can earn better percentages then TRIP will be earning.

I propose that we disband the program and transfer the remaining funds (approximately \$19,000.00) to the ACE program or the General Fund. I personally would like to see the ACE program benefit because the money will still be used for tuition assistance.

I have been with this program since the beginning and have enjoyed making Christian Education more affordable for families.

When you have made your decision could you please put an announcement in the Journal alerting the community of the change.

Sincerely,
Lorrie Dykstra
TBCS TRIP Co-ordinator