

engage. empower. equip.

CORNERSTONE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Message From Our Principal: Mr. Lee Behrns



Welcome to Cornerstone Christian School, where faith and education come together to nurture young minds and hearts. I have had the pleasure of teaching high school here for the past 25 years and now as the Principal, it is my utmost privilege to lead a community that is deeply committed to providing a Christ-centered education of the highest quality. Our school is built upon a foundation of Christian values, fostering an environment where students can grow spiritually, academically, and socially. With a team of dedicated teachers and support staff, we strive to create a safe and inclusive space that encourages students to explore their unique God-given talents and pursue excellence in academics, athletics, and fine arts. We believe in the transformative power of education rooted in biblical principles, equipping students to impact the world with wisdom, integrity, and compassion. Through a holistic approach, we aim to prepare our students not only for success in their academic pursuits but also to be compassionate and responsible individuals who make a positive difference in their communities. At our Christian school, we are committed to partnering with parents and the local church to raise up the next generation of servant leaders who will shine brightly for Christ in all areas of life. We invite you to join us at Cornerstone to be part of this remarkable journey of faith and education.

Purpose Statement

The purpose of Cornerstone Christian School is to Engage the Mind, Empower with Christ and Equip for Life. Our Purpose Statement is reflected in the three key words that define our role as a Christian School

ENGAGE: Engaging students in the Provincial Curriculum EMPOWER: Helping students grow in the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ EQUIP: Preparing students for all aspects of Life after CCS



Tours/Shadow Days

For those families interested in learning more about Cornerstone Christian School, we offer school tours anytime throughout the year. We also welcome potential new CCS students to join our school for the day and "shadow" a current CCS student. Shadow days typically are booked for Friday mornings, however, contact us to arrange a different day if this does not work for you.

For more information or to book a tour/shadow day contact us by email at admissions@ccsmj.ca OR by calling us at 306-693-2937 ext 230.

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Engage

Academics:

Cornerstone Christian School implements the fully recognized Saskatchewan curriculum for Kindergarten through Grade 12. World-view and faith foundations are integrated into the Saskatchewan curriculum across subject areas and are also addressed through Chapel and Christian Ethics classes at every grade level. All courses required to obtain a Saskatchewan High School diploma and entrance into any post-secondary program are offered as well as a variety of elective courses.



Extra Curricular Activities

At CCS we strive for excellence in all we do, including our extra curricular activities. We offer a full athletic line up as well as an amazing drama program highlighted by our annual fall musical at the Mae Wilson Theatre. Our fall musical allows us to showcase our student's God-given dramatic and musical talents on a city wide stage. Our athletic teams have seen success at all levels, competing for city championships and provincial titles. CCS also offers both an all school choir as well as a specialized vocal jazz group for students in Grades 7-12. By joining choir, students are given the opportunity to try out for our CCS Vocal Jazz group. In years past the CCS Vocal Jazz group have performed with groups such as Tenore and the Tenors.



Empower

Chapel

Proverbs 22:6 says "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it." This verse is the basis of why we do what we do here at CCS. Each year our school has a theme in which our chapels and Christian Ethics classes will follow. Students are given the opportunity to attend two chapels a week- one in their grade groupings (K-3, 4-5, 6-8, 9-12) and an all- school chapel on Fridays. We believe that these years are so incredibly formative for children and we aim to provide opportunities for students to grow in their faith through their involvement in chapels. Students are invited to participate in chapels in various capacities from worship team to speaking.



Service

Along with chapel and Christian Ethics classes, creating opportunities for students to serve one another, the community, and beyond is a significant priority in personal and spiritual formation. Jesus says, "Consider others as more important than yourself" and modelled this in his willingness to do even the smallest and insignificant of tasks. From serving in the classroom in elementary, to being a part of student leadership in the high school, to being a team leader on a missions trip to Mexico, we believe it is crucial for students to develop a heart of service for others.



<u>Equip</u> Student Council

Leadership opportunities are available for students in Grades 7-12 with our Student Leadership Council (SLC). These students learn how to plan and execute school events such as movie days, dress up days, class competitions and year end carnivals, while also learning how to show Christ's love through volunteering in the community throughout their time in the SLC.



Alumni

We are very blessed to have amazing alumni who have gone into incredible careers in many different fields. CCS Alumni have excelled in various post-secondary studies such as medicine, engineering, advertising, education, carpentry, computer game designers and many, many more!





Canteen

Pulled pork sandwiches, spaghetti, pizza, fresh homemade soups, and a variety of salads are just a few of the quality items served up on the regular canteen calendar. Students can also choose from an assortment of other snacks, drinks and smaller entrees. Parents can set up an account where they can deposit money so their kids are not carrying cash to school. Meals are delivered to classroom for all students.



Bussing

Bussing services are available for Kindergarten to Grade 12 students for both in city and Rural/CFB Moose Jaw students (through PSSD). Preschool students are permitted to ride the bus if they are riding with an older sibling (Grades 2+). Our busses run twice daily- morning and after school. Noon hour bus services are not available. Bussing fees are available upon request.



Finances

Tuition Fees

As an associate school within the Prairie South School Division, CCS receives 80% of the per student funding from the government as opposed to the 100% of the per student funding provided to Public/Separate schools. Your tuition fees, the 20% difference, goes to pay for Christian Education as well as infrastructure. By having associate school status, we are able to integrate our Christian values with Provincial curriculum and graduation requirements with the Ministry of Education.



Financial Aid

Here at Cornerstone Christian School, we never want finances to be a barrier keeping families from attending our school. For this reason, we fundraise throughout the year so we are able to provide qualifying families with financial aid. We also offer a pastoral discount for those families who work full time in a pastoral role. If finances are a concern for you, or if you have any questions regarding our tuition fees, please contact us.



<u>How do I apply?</u>

Application Process

Step 1- Print off the application forms at home or contact the CCS Office to get a printed copy.

Step 2- Fill out completed application (CCS Application Form and Pastoral Reference Form) and submit along with your child's most recent report card to the CCS Office via email at admissions@ccsmj.ca, by fax at 306-694-1880 or in person to the CCS Office (43 Iroquois St E).

***Please note: All items (Pastoral Reference, CCS Application Form, and Report Card) will need to be submitted in order for your application to be reviewed.

Step 3- A staff member from CCS will contact you to arrange an interview (if necessary) with the principal. This interview is designed to get to know you and your child and is not meant to intimidate in any way. It is our intent to have a great relationship with you and your child and this is the first step in building that relationship. Please come prepared to ask any questions that you might have about CCS. **Step 4-** Your application will be reviewed by the admissions team.

Step 5- You will be contacted with the results of the application review either by phone or email.

Step 6- If your application has been approved...

A formal acceptance letter will be sent by mail (and occasionally by email if mailing is not possible) along with an acceptance package.

This acceptance package will include the following papers to be completed and submitted to the CCS Office at the earliest possible time.

- Family Info/Medical Form
- Financial Contract
- Cumulative School Records Form
- Bus Registration Form (if requested)
- Canteen Account Registration Form
- Volunteer Form
- Media Release Form
- Computer Usage Agreement

Step 7- A CCS staff member will be contacting you to confirm that the personal info that we have on your child's application matches your child's birth certificate.



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