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The Administrator's Corner

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Scripture Theme Verse

"MY SHEEP HEAR
MY VOICE, AND I
KNOW THEM, AND
THEY FOLLOW
ME.

JOHN 10:27

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School started for our wonderful students on Monday, August 27. Much quality time and thoughtful preparation have gone into planning for the best possible year of discovery for our students. Nevertheless, regardless of the sincerity of efforts or the thoroughness of our planning process, we gladly acknowledge that unless the LORD builds our Christian School we labor in vain. The Clinton Christian School logo beautifully summarizes Vision and Mission Statements.

The Word of God - Proverbs 29:18 tells us that "Where there is no vision (revelation), the people perish (cast off restraints): **But happy is he who keeps the law.**" This verse is often misunderstood and therefore misapplied in the lives of many Christians. This verse teaches that the Word of God must be the source of our vision or revelation. The image of a Bible is placed on top of our logo for that reason. Also, please notice that the Bible provides light for the way. It is my sincere desire that our entire Christian learning community recognizes and then honors the centrality of the Word of God each time our logo is viewed.

The Shield of Faith - The shield represents our faith in Jesus Christ. In Ephesians 6:16, we are commanded to take the *Shield of Faith* above all other parts of the Armor of God. If we are to have a great school year, we must use the Shield of Faith as we enter the 2007 - 2008 school year. Although I know many of you join me as I anticipate great and exciting opportunities for our dear students, it is equally important to remember that there will be many *fiery darts* (trials). My vision for CCS is that our faculty/staff, students, and parents would be known for extinguishing the *fiery darts of Satan* by maintaining our faith in Jesus in spite of the circumstances that

surround us. **The Wings** – King David states it perfectly in *Psalms 36:7*. "How excellent is thy loving-kindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings." The wings represent the protection of God for our entire learning community. Whereas the shield provides protection from the fiery darts of the enemy, the Wings provide shade from the harshness of the world and the unseen dangers which may surround us. Also, please notice that the wings are outstretched and prepared for flight. CCS is being prepared to take-off and to soar higher than she has ever soared since her founding in 1966. I am convinced that as we place our trust under the shadow of His wings, we will continue to see more and more of the Lord's excellent loving-kindness in this and future school years.

The Torch – In the hand of the person on the right side of the logo is a torch. From Proverbs 6:23 we know that *the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life*. The Lamp of God's Word provides light to our feet and is a light unto our path. It directs our general choices and gives light for our particular steps. My vision for our students is that they would not only seek the Lord's guidance in their general choices for vocations and colleges, but also follow HIM as He gives light to the particular steps for their young lives.

The Star – Likewise, in the hand of person on the left side is a star. The star represents the talents, gifts, and abilities of our awesome students, faculty, and staff. Our enrichment and fine arts programs are vital components of our vision, because through them we are able to encourage our students to excel in the arts, athletics, and academics.

Summary – If CCS is to live up to her motto, we must be a MINISTRY that loves and follows the Word of God in all that we do. Therefore, regardless of the arena or the type of activity, we will educate the next generation of leaders by using the shield of faith, while being protected by His wings. In order for your children and our students to shine like beautiful stars, we will both need to depend upon the Word and upon the wisdom of God.

"Continuous improvement is better than delayed perfection."

Mark Twain (1898 - 1967)

Vision Statement

Clinton Christian School seeks to be a distinctively Christian educational institution for the purpose of assisting Christian families in their God-given responsibility to train their children in a God-centered worldview with the goal being a lifetime of service to Jesus Christ.

Mission Statement

Clinton Christian School exists to prepare students to impact our world with the life-changing love and message of Jesus Christ by educating the next generation of leaders.

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WHAT'S NEWS AT CCS? & UPCOMING EVENTS AT CCS

- ✓ The 2006 -2007 Yearbook for returning students is here.
- ✓ September 3 - School-Wide Holiday-No School-Offices Closed
- ✓ September 4 @ 3:45-4:45PM - Spelling Club in the Library
- ✓ September 4 @ 7PM - Middle School (Grades 6-8) Parents-Teachers-Administrators Forum in the Life Church Auditorium. This meeting is very helpful for new middle school students and their parents.
- ✓ September 5 - 7 - High School Retreat
- ✓ September 6 @ 3:45-4:45PM - Chess Club in the Auditorium
- ✓ September 6 @ 7PM - Fourth Grade Parents-Teachers Class Meeting
- ✓ September 8 @ 9AM-12Noon - Nice-As-New Uniform Sale in the Gym
- ✓ September 10 - Arthur's Uniforms are required in order for students to attend class.
- ✓ September 13 @ 7PM - Sixth-Twelfth Grade Meet the Teachers Night in the Life Church Auditorium
- ✓ September 14 - "Dress Down Day" sponsored by the Junior Class
- ✓ September 14 @ 4-6PM - Junior Class Carwash
- ✓ September 14 & 15 @ 5:30-7PM - Cheerleading Tryout for grades 6-12 in the gym
- ✓ September 15 @ 9AM-2PM - Campus Pride Day - Please bring your lawn tools and your elbow grease and participate in this great workday. We want our campus to shine! Double ministry service hours are available for CCS High School Students.
- ✓ September 18 @ 7PM - Upper Elementary (Grades 2-5) Parents-Administrators Forum in the Life Church Auditorium. This informative meeting is designed to give parents access to the administration.
- ✓ September 19 @ 7AM - "See you at the Pole" led by the Student Government Officers. Come and join the student body as we pray for our local, state, and federal government. Prayer will start promptly at 7AM at the School's Flag Pole
- ✓ September 20 - School Picture Day for grades 3-11
- ✓ September 20 - Second Announced Fire Drill of the school year
- ✓ September 20 @ 7PM - Room Parents Meeting in Room 9
- ✓ September 21 - School Picture Day for grades K4-2
- ✓ September 21 @ 3:30-9PM - Middle School Jam
- ✓ September 25 @ 3:45PM - Mrs. Schofer's Spelling Club in the Library
- ✓ September 27 - K5 McGruff's Safety Awareness Day
- ✓ September 28 @4-9PM - Fellowship of Christian Cheerleaders Camp in the gym
- ✓ September 28 - Cheerleaders Donut Sale
- ✓ September 28 @9AM-6PM - Fellowship of Christian Cheerleaders Camp in the

PRAYER NEEDS

- ◇ The spiritual growth of our students, their parents, and our faculty and staff

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