



"...tell the next generation..."

PSALM 78:4



CCRTC NEWS
WINTER 2023



Wishing you a
blessed
CHRISTMAS
and a
happy
NEW YEAR!

from the principal **CHRISTINE VAN HALEN-FABER**

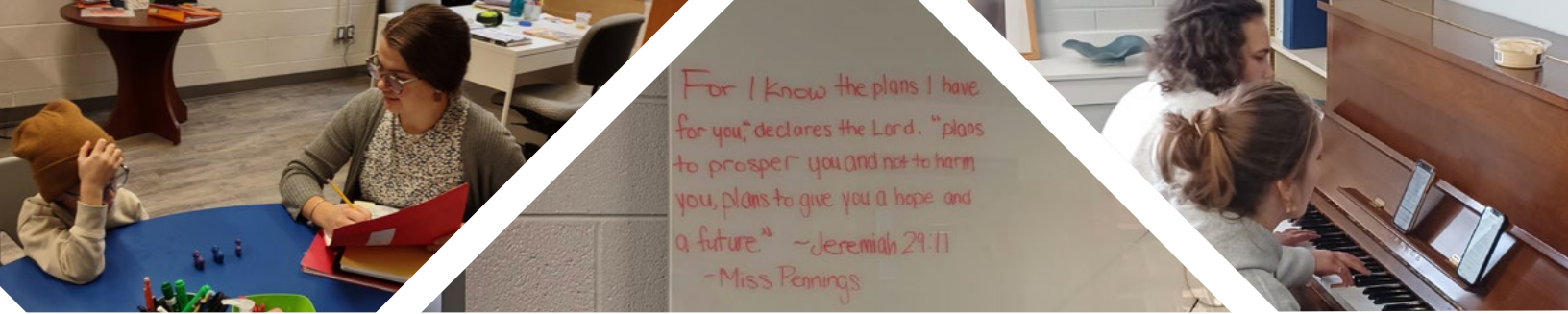
As the autumn days gradually get colder, we are reminded that this, too, is a sign of the LORD's faithfulness, for "while the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease." The arrival of cooler days also signals that we are nearing the end of the Fall Semester at Covenant Canadian Reformed Teachers College (CCRTC). By the time you receive this winter edition of our newsletter, all teacher candidates will have completed their first set of practicum placements in this academic year. Once again, many schools opened

their classroom doors and many teachers (and their students) agreed to work side by side with our teacher candidates.

CCRTC students and faculty also had the opportunity to attend the *Compass Reformed Christian Educators Convention* hosted by the Bellstone Christian School community. The more than 300 teachers in attendance were edified by Dr. Reuben Bredenhof's keynote address, entitled *The Grammar of Reformed Literacy: Literacy in Biblical Perspective*, and by the devotional address offered by Dr. Jeff Temple. The opportunity to sing God's praises, attend or present workshops, and enjoy meals together, serves to strengthen the bond of faith that binds us together as vocational professionals.

The blessing of being able to offer faithful covenant education, day after day, is something we can easily take for granted. Yet it is such a gift! At CCRTC we thank the visitors we welcomed recently, especially those from South Korea, for reminding us to treasure the collaboration between home, church, and school in educating the youth of Christ's Church.

In conclusion, to help prepare men and women for their future tasks as teachers fills us with gratitude and spurs us on to do this work to the best of our ability and to the praise of God's glory. We thank you for faithfully supporting these efforts.



For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord. "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future." -Jeremiah 29:11
-Miss Penning

STUDENT RECRUITMENT

With the Winter Semester in sight, so is the February 1, 2024 deadline for student applications. "How does the College go about recruiting future students?" you might ask. The answer is quite simple: Mr. Mark den Hollander, CCRTC's Recruitment and Admissions Officer, happily accepts invitations to address students currently enrolled in Reformed Christian high schools. His message is clear: Teaching is a wonderful vocation; one you should think about quite seriously. He also eagerly encourages university and high school students who

are considering the teaching profession to come and spend a day at the College. Sitting in on several classes, having a chance to find out more about the rigorous programs CCRTC offers, and mingling with teacher candidates over 'food to facilitate fellowship' is one way to get to know a bit more about the teaching profession in general and the College in particular. Practical information about tuition fees and financial assistance forms part of the conversation. As CCRTC is an approved institution, students may apply for the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP). Even much more exciting is a new development initiated by the Harvest Endowment Foundation in an effort to stimulate interest in the teaching

profession, especially in schools affiliated with the League of Canadian Reformed School Societies. CCRTC students may apply for financial support in the form of a bursary or tuition assistance and details may be found on the Harvest Endowment Foundation website: www.harvestfoundation.ca/CCRTC-Student-Support. We express our deepest appreciation to the Harvest Endowment Foundation for its generous and tangible support. It should make student recruitment even easier.

Are you thinking about studying at CCRTC? Go to our website at www.covenantteacherscollege.com where you can download, complete, and submit the application documents or get in touch with us as soon as possible.

2022-2023 CCRTC EXPENSES AND INCOME



2022-2023 EXPENSES (ACTUALS)

- Administration 4%
- Programs 6%
- Library Department 2%
- Building 6%
- Miscellaneous 1%
- Payroll 81%

2022-2023 INCOME (ACTUALS)

- Student Tuition 20%
- Member School Donations 7%
- Member School Fees 9%
- Investment Income 2%
- Harvest Foundation Income 4%
- Personal and Corporate Donations 57%
- Other 1%



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