



A Year in

# *Reflection*

2022-2023

*Dear* Friends of CSI,

It is always difficult to summarize a great year with a few lines. As the CSI team sat around the table to think about all that God has done for and through CSI this year, we commented about God's faithfulness to not only our organization but also the many, many schools with whom we partner. Christian education is going strong, with a large percentage of our member schools showing record enrollment.

The opportunity that we have to build community amongst Christian schools is something CSI does not take lightly. We have been doing just that for more than 100 years. We truly feel a sense of responsibility to walk alongside schools, like our mission statement says, to support their task of teaching students to know God and his world. The call to be part of God's redeeming work in his world is what gets us up in the morning. At this moment in time, the opportunities for Christian schools are boundless, especially because we serve a God who is trustworthy, sovereign, and full of grace and compassion.

As you read through this report, which highlights just some of what God has provided this year, join the CSI staff in praying that CSI continues to be a brilliant and bold beacon of God's goodness around the world. And don't miss the glimpse into our plans for the future at the end of this report. May God receive all the glory and honor as we seek to serve him.

Thank you for being a partner in Christian education,

Jennifer Thompson, Chief Executive Officer



*Jennifer*  
Thompson

# Who We Are

Founded in 1920, Christian Schools International was the first national organization to exclusively serve Christian schools. We believe faith and learning are inseparably linked, with God's word as the foundation for truth found in every academic subject. Whether through accreditation, curriculum, employee benefits, or leadership development, we're dedicated to increasing the effectiveness of Christian schools as they seek to transform the world for Christ.

## Our Mission

As a leader in Christian education services, Christian Schools International's mission is to support schools in their task of teaching students to know God and his world, and to glorify him through service to others.

A huge **THANK YOU** to Glenn Vos and Tom Dykhouse, who have faithfully served CSI as co-CEOs for the past two years. The Board of Trustees and all of the CSI community thank them for a job very well done.

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# 12 Highlights from 2022–2023

- **13 new member** schools joined CSI
- **18 attendees** in PDI cohort
- **31 attendees** in Beautiful Work sessions
- Jennifer Thompson joined as COO and was hired as **new CEO** starting August 1, 2023
- **39 accreditation** site visits hosted
- **16 schools** became accreditation candidates
- **3 new accreditation** regional coordinators onboarded
- Teacher and leadership **blogs launched**
- **1,432 total participants** in CSI 403(b) Retirement Savings Plan, with 3 new schools joining
- **1,188 postings** on CSI job board
- **New Jetpack data** management system was launched and is in use with all accredited schools and team members
- **Two accreditation protocols**, *Measuring the Mission 2022* and *FOCUS*, are now in use with schools.

# Proudly *Serving*

**326**

member schools,  
including 251 US, 69 Canadian,  
and 6 international

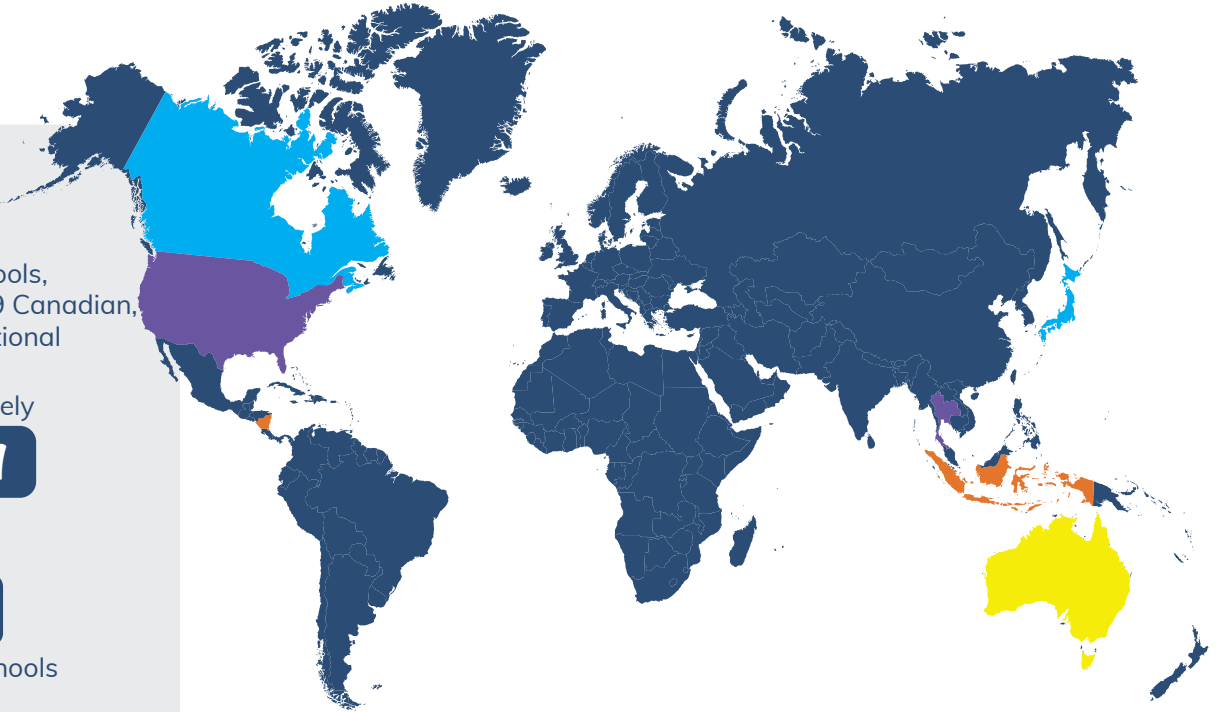
Approximately

**111,191**

students

**155**

accredited schools



# 2022-2023 Financial Report

Revenue	2022-2023
Product Sales	\$ 290,000
Membership Dues	\$ 287,500
Service Fees	\$ 320,000
Grants and Gifts	\$ 369,500
Miscellaneous	\$ 37,000

**Total** **\$1,304,000**

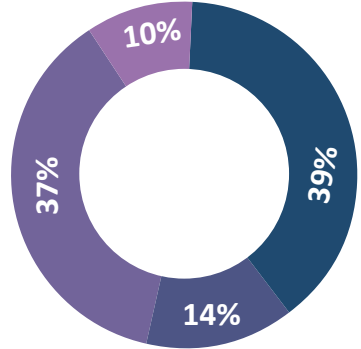
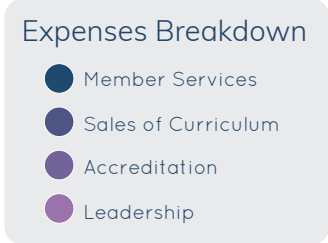
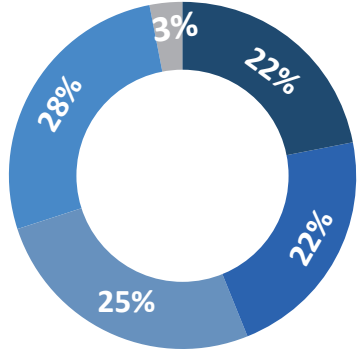
**Expenses** **2022-2023**

Program Services	
Member Services	\$ 344,000
Sales of Curriculum	\$ 123,000
Accreditation	\$ 323,000
Leadership	\$ 84,500

**Program Services Total** **\$ 874,500**

General & Administration **\$ 429,500**

**Total** **\$ 1,304,000**



**Total Donations:** **\$179,764.48**

# Appreciation From *Our Members*

## Principal Development Institute

"I can't thank you all enough for the PDI training. It was a wonderful experience that was needed both professionally and personally. I feel uplifted and *encouraged* and most importantly, not alone! I hope I'm able to come back again."

Kristi Glaze, Administrator  
The University School  
Colorado Spring, CO

## CSI Accreditation

"Thank you so much for helping our school *grow* and ensure that we have policies in place to sustain our mission and vision over time!"

Jonathan Winn, Headmaster  
Oak Grove Classical Academy  
Albuquerque, NM

## Beautiful Work

"I would like to pass on my appreciation for your Beautiful Work course. We had a staff member complete the course this term and it has sparked a *passion* in all of our staff members in bringing the biblical narrative to teaching and for improving our teaching practice."

Marnie Lisson, Principal  
John Knox Christian School  
Wyoming, ON

## CSI 403(b) Retirement Savings Plan

"Our school joined the CSI 403(b) Plan this year to provide our staff the opportunity to save for their future retirement. This is a great way to honor them. The administrators of the plan made it very easy to navigate and were so *helpful* whenever we had questions. We look forward to many years of fruitful collaboration."

Priscilla Strapp, Head of School  
Sophia Academy  
Philadelphia, PA

# Partners in Mission *Accomplishment*

Started in 1950, the Christian Schools International Foundation (CSIF) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Its purpose is to provide financial support for Christian Schools International to assist its goals and mission. This support provides Christian schools with learning tools that go beyond curriculum and also provides Christian schools with the most advanced technology to assist teachers and students in their pursuit of learning.

The work of CSI has benefited from the support and generosity of CSIF. This year, the CSIF helped in several specific areas, including individual scholarships for CSI leadership development programs, and seed money for developing new programming as well as funding the new accreditation software, Jetpack. Please prayerfully consider making CSIF a part of your giving strategy. Whether you choose to give directly to CSI or through the foundation, the end results are the same—the students, teachers, and administrators of the Christian Schools International family throughout the world all benefit.

All gifts to Christian Schools International or to the CSIF are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.



## 2022–2023 Board Members

The CSIF Board is fully engaged and supportive in the mission and vision of CSI.

### **Al Bilthouse, President**

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### **Dan Baker, Secretary**

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### **Doug Evenhouse**

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### **Ed Talen**

Grand Rapids, Michigan



# Looking *Forward*

Over 100 years ago, CSI was created to be a community of schools committed to Christian education. The Board of Trustees and leadership of CSI is grateful for all God has done in this past year, clearly blessing CSI and our member schools. You have had a tremendous part in transforming the lives of students. Yet we do not rest there. The Board continues to look forward, guided by its recent strategic plan, with 2023–2024 priorities in the following areas:



Reinvigorating the  
CSI Bible *curriculum*



Reconvening regional &  
virtual gatherings for  
*member schools*



Growing membership  
through *accreditation*



Building professional learning  
programs and resources for  
*school leaders*

All of these initiatives are focused on one objective—supporting schools and their students in order to experience the transformative power of God. We are excited about the upcoming year. Your continued support for excellent programs will be a continued blessing. Begin praying now about how you can support the exciting and focused plan of Christian Schools International.

# Thank *You!*

We thank the following individuals, churches, and organizations for the generous contributions they have made to Christian Schools International in support of our efforts to provide leadership and support around the world. Donations are for the time period of May 1, 2022–April 30, 2023.

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