

CORNERSTONE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL, INC.

Call for Board Nominations

The Cornerstone Christian School Board is a governance board that deals with vision & direction, policy, oversight and accountability. The role and responsibility of the CCS Board is to lead the organization toward the desired outcomes and ensure that they occur. The Board's specific contributions are unique to its trusteeship role and necessary for proper governance and management. These include:

- Determine/monitor the mission, major goals, and basic values.
- Select/empower/encourage a Chief Executive Officer and hold him accountable to policies and guidelines established.
- Ensure financial solvency, organizational integrity and energetic leadership.
- Appoint the auditor on an annual basis.
- Help the organization understand, interpret and relate to the external constituencies.
- Reflect on, evaluate and constantly improve itself as the Governing Body.
- Review/approve/modify all ongoing policies in one Board document.
- Engage in strategic influence and encourage the institutional leadership.

Consideration for service on the Board includes the following qualifications:

- A mature Christian, daily growing in their personal relationship with Christ and involved in the ministry of a local Bible believing church.
- Passionate commitment to the Cornerstone Christian School cause and in harmony with the purpose, mission, vision, distinction and focus of CCS.
- Oriented toward ends rather than means.
- Strategic thinker, planner, influencer.
- Thinks Biblically - Applies Biblical principles to decision making.
- Able to see and understand the big picture.
- Able to make impartial decisions, to support the majority vote, to respect the opinions of others and understands the importance of confidentiality.
- Board members do not have to be a parent of a student.
- According to our bylaws "no person or spouse of a person in the employ of the Corporation or Prairie South School Division employees assigned to Cornerstone Christian School shall be eligible for membership in the Board of Directors."
- Experience serving on a school or board team prior to serving on the Board would be a valuable asset but not necessarily required.

The Board meets monthly (generally on the 4th Wednesday of every month), excluding December and July. The term of office is normally three years. You would then be eligible for re-election for a further 3-year period. During your term of office you would be expected to serve on at least one of the other Board committees.

Your nomination will be put forward at the Annual General Meeting where an election will take place. You may complete and submit a nomination form for yourself, ensuring that you also have 2 additional CCS members who endorse your nomination

If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors of Cornerstone Christian School, Please complete the following Nomination Package, which must include:

- A completed Nomination Form (below)
- A pastoral reference letter
- A short personal biography, to be sent to all CCS members prior to the AGM. It will also be read at the AGM prior to the election.

Incomplete packages are not able to be considered for Nomination.

Submit to nominations@ccsmj.ca, or drop it off at the Cornerstone office.

Nominations open September 4, 2024 and close September 27, 2024.

**CORNERSTONE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL, INC.
NOMINATION FOR BOARD ELECTION**

The election for the Cornerstone Christian School Board of Directors will be held at our Annual General Meeting. The AGM will be held on Wednesday, October 23, 2024. All nominator's must be CCS Members.

Please submit all nominations to nominations@ccsmj.ca.

(Alternatively, completed nomination forms can be dropped off at the CCS Business Office.)

Opening Date for Nominations: Wednesday, September 4, 2024

Closing Date for Nominations: Friday, September 27, 2024

We, the undersigned, nominate _____ as a
(Candidate's Name)

candidate for election to the CCS Board of Directors.

(Date)

(Nominator's Signature)

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I agree to let my name stand as a nominee for election to the Cornerstone Christian School Board of Directors. I understand I am required to submit a complete Nomination Package including a Pastoral Reference Letter.

(Date)

(Candidate's Signature)

Cornerstone Christian School Board Nomination Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Occupation: _____

Spouse (if applicable): _____

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Do you have children/grandchildren attending CCS? Please list below

Name(s) & Grade:

How long have you been involved in CCS?

Are you a member/regular attender of a local church? Please list your church, length of time attending, and current involvement.

Please list any other current or past volunteer experiences or commitments.

(school, community, etc):

My Faith Story: Briefly tell about your journey of faith.

What do you feel you could contribute to the CCS board?

Each board member is asked to serve on a board committee. Please select all areas of interest or past experience.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Growth & Discipleship | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Finance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strategic Planning & Vision | <input type="checkbox"/> Policies and Procedures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parent Relations | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Relations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing and Promotion | <input type="checkbox"/> Board Governance & Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Building Planning & Maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Missions | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Administration | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

Board Member Commitments

1. I agree with the Statement of Faith of CCS and am a member in good standing.
2. I have read and agree to follow the Board Member Criteria.
3. I will prioritize attendance at CCS Board Meetings (10 per year) and Board Committee meetings as they are needed.
4. I understand and commit to the importance of open communication, confidentiality and a 'One Voice' Board.
5. I will humbly use my gifts to serve CCS, the Board, the Administration, and the Staff, and will defend, support and speak positively about them.

I understand the requirements and responsibilities of Board service at CCS.

Signature _____

Date _____

Signed upon acceptance of nomination:

Board Member/Chair: _____

Date: _____

Date Elected: _____

Board Member Criteria (From the Board Policy Manual)

3.1 General Criteria

- A mature Christian, daily growing in their personal relationship with Christ.
- Involved in the ministry of a local Bible believing church.
- Of varied Church denomination (for purposes of broader representation only).
- Passionate commitment to the Cornerstone Christian School cause.
- In harmony with the purpose, mission, vision, distinction and focus of CCS.
- Oriented toward ends rather than means.
- Capable of doing policy work.
- Person of broad influence.
- Strategic thinker, planner, influencer.
- Visionary
- Thinks Biblically - Applies Biblical principles to decision making.
- Able to see and understand the big picture.
- Able to understand, interpret and move toward a better future, without dwelling on the past.
- Able to make impartial decisions
- Able to support the majority vote.
- Able to respect the opinions of others.
- Understands the importance of confidentiality.
- Board members do not have to be a parent of a student.

3.2 Special Expertise Areas Needed/Desired

- Diversity that is not forced and is representative of the diverse population the school serves
- Diversity in gender and age.
- Leadership competencies.
- Breadth of expertise.
- Specialized Strengths - law, business, accounting, theology, strategy, education, etc.
- Breadth of experience.
- Board experience.
- Knowledge of Policy Governance.

3.3 Desired Character Qualities

- Servant Leader
- Team Player
- Consensus Builder
- Non judgmental
- Thinks positively rather than negatively
- Good Listening Skills
- Personal Integrity
- Humility.

Cornerstone Christian School Statement of Faith

1. We believe the Bible to be the only inspired, infallible, authoritative, inerrant Word of God (II Timothy 3:15, II Peter 1:21).
2. We believe there is only one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit (Genesis 1:1, Matthew 28:19, John 10:30).
3. We believe in the deity of Christ (John 10:33); His virgin birth (Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:23, Luke 1:35); His sinless life (Hebrews 4:15, 7:26); His miracles (John 2:11); His vicarious and atoning death (I Corinthians 15:3, Ephesians 1:7, Hebrews 2:9); His resurrection (John 11:25, I Corinthians 15:4); His ascension to the right hand of the Father (Mark 16:19) and His personal return in power and glory (Acts 1:11, Revelation 19:11).
4. We believe in the absolute necessity of regeneration by the Holy Spirit for salvation because of the exceeding sinfulness of human nature; and that men are justified solely on faith in the shed blood of Christ; and that only by God's grace through faith alone we are saved (John 3:16-19, 5:24, Romans 3:23, 5:89, Ephesians 2:8-19, Titus 3:5).
5. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost, they that are saved unto the resurrection of life, and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation (John 5:28, 29).
6. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 8:9, Corinthians 12:12-13, Galatians 3:26-28).
7. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life (Romans 8:13-14, 1 Corinthians 3:16, 6:19-20, Ephesians 4:30, 5:18).

Short Biography Sample:

"My name is John Doe, and our family has been a part of CCS for 6 years. I have been married to Sally for 19 years, and we have 3 children; Joe in Grade 10, Sam in Grade 8, and Beth in Grade 5.

We have attended MJ Fellowship Church for the last 9 years, and I am involved in the nursery and ushering teams. I am currently employed at a local accounting firm, and have training in finance and human resources. In my spare time I love to hike, spend time with my family and drink coffee."