

## Dear CMSLN Community,

It is with much joy that I am composing another letter in regards to re-enrollment as the Head of School. Envisioning the future of this school while partnering with you as a community has been an exciting and rewarding part of my journey at CMSLN. I'm excited about the possibilities and opportunities that exist at Christian Montessori. This time of year is met with both gratitude for another year to serve you and your children, but also a bit of sadness as we watch those amongst us who transition and graduate out of our programs.

As our year began with a devastating flood, I can't help but think of a moment at Huntersville United Methodist Church where an employee of the church came to visit with me. I was in the gym, sitting in the dark praying, and Ms. Emily asked if she could share something. She told me, "I wanted to thank you for how well you have treated our facility. Your teachers, your parents, and community have been the kindest, gracious, and most respectful group we've ever had come in here." I get teary-eyed thinking about that conversation again. We were displaced and bombarded the church with our entire community and they thanked us!! What a powerful testament to the beauty, grace, and integrity of our CMSLN community. Thank you for all that you do and all that you represent at CMSLN.

Each passing year affords us new opportunities for improvements and capital expenditures. Below are a few goals for the allocation of your tuition funds for the 2020-2021 school year:

- The Support of Increased Teacher Salaries
- Building Upgrades: Raised Patio Fencing, Primary Playground Awning, Landscaping Updates
- Curriculum Development: Gardening/Outside Environment, Science Equipment, Reading Lab
- AMS Conference Attendance and Teacher Professional Development

As a nonprofit it is you that make up the heart of this school and we are blessed everyday to be able to serve the most precious gift that you have: your children. As you weigh the commitment and investment of another year in the CMSLN family, I would ask you to seriously consider the overall value of having your children not just in a Montessori school, but a Christian Montessori school; a school which foundationally and fundamentally believes in the truth of the gospel and the philosophy of self-reliance and self-discovery in the development of your children.

May God bless us with those that share in our vision and appreciate an environment where the fruits of the spirit are evident (Galatians 5:22) and may he prepare a community that will uphold the leadership and pray for humbleness, spiritual discernment, compassion, patience, obedience to God, organization, decisiveness, boldness in Christ, devotion to the study of scripture, passionate speech, wisdom, diligence, and LOVE. (Romans 12:8)

In Christ,

Tom Cook

## **KEY ENROLLMENT DATES**

Re-enrollment Begins (Current Families)
Re-enrollment Ends (Current Families)
Open Enrollment (1st come, 1st serve New Applications)

Financial aid process beginsFinancial aid application deadline

• Financial aid awards notification

February 14, 2020 March 16, 2020 March 18, 2020 March 18, 2020 April 30, 2020 May 15, 2020