

# 2023-2024 Ampact Report



Breaking ground on new buildings. Enrollment growth. New schools opening their doors. Lives changed. These are the powerful stories shared with our staff during phone calls made to our member schools last year. One thing is abundantly clear: God is on the move in Christian education!

This past year's goal of connecting to member schools through phone calls, in-person visits, surveys, webinars, and events allowed us to actively listen and respond to our members, a community of schools who are tirelessly committed to teaching the next generation of Christ followers. From these connections, CSI could then tailor services to what schools identified as needs for both today and tomorrow.

As you read through this report, you will see a significant impact on schools around the world. This impact is not possible without YOU. Whether through accreditation, consulting, employee benefits, curriculum resources or leadership development, we remain fully dedicated to increasing the effectiveness of Christian schools as they seek to transform the world for Christ. Our work is not done, but praise God, he gives us the strength to serve!

Thank you for being a partner in Christian education,

Jennifer Thompson, Chief Executive Officer

Our Mission

To support schools in their task of teaching students to know God and his world, and to glorify him through service to others.







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# Where We *Serve*







### **Develop Stronger Connections with Schools**

- Personally connected with our members: What a blessing it was for our staff to call each of our members this past year! We
  celebrated milestones with them, listened to their concerns and needs, and responded with praying over them and suggestions for
  how CSI can support.
- Nineteen new members joined CSI.

### **Expand Accreditation Services**

- Launched an additional and next-level FOCUS accreditation protocol and a Teaching for Transformation accreditation endorsement.
   "We are grateful for the FOCUS journey that CSI facilitated and want to go on record that our pilot of this accreditation process served its stated purpose and was a valuable and challenging experience for our school. I'd recommend the FOCUS process for any schools that are ready without hesitation."–Holland Christian Schools, Holland (MI)
- 170 schools served; 30 site visits held; 20 new candidates approved.

## **Distinguish CSI Programs and Support Services**

- Beautiful Work Events: Full-day, onsite trainings based on the eight modules from the virtual course were piloted at member schools.
   "The work we did with CSI to focus on one of the areas of Beautiful Work allowed myself and our staff to take intentional time on our practices at our school." –West Side Christian School, Grand Rapids (MI)
- In the Loop: Monthly, virtual gatherings—from marketing strategies and undergoing a mission audit to improving digital well-being and navigating the Al-infused world—were offered to school leaders in various roles to get in the loop about great things happening in the world of education. More than 500 educators registered for these gatherings.

"Thank you for organizing and leading these webinars. They definitely bring more value to our CSI membership and good PD opportunities! I appreciate the new resources you are bringing to help us think about how we can be a better school." —CSI member school

• Advisory & Consultative Services: What a joy it has been to offer consulting to our members in the areas of strategic planning, policy development, board governance, development/fundraising, and mentoring for interim and new administrators.

# More Highlights *Impacting Schools*



Principal Development Institute

"Lifegiving, refreshing and challenging at the same time, relationship building was something I really needed. I left reinvigorated and more equipped to be a Godly leader, I appreciated the collaborative process for problem solving and the wisdom from the facilitators' years of faithful service in Christian education." –2024 participant



Beautiful Work Virtual Course

"The course, Beautiful Work, challenges teachers to discover the beauty in Christian education while integrating faith and Christian perspective into everything that we do. Through the planning of engaging lessons, learning how to impact communities through learning, and assessing students with a lens that each student is an image bearer of God, this course has so many practical applications for classrooms today." -2024 participant



#### Emerging Leaders Development Institute

"Empowered me for leadership, confidence to obediently walk into leadership, grateful for new friends on the leadership journey, appreciated the transparency of facilitators sharing their journeys, rich learning experience, life-long friends."

-2023 participant



#### Accreditation

"I have been through several different accreditation processes, and CSI was one of the best and most thorough processes I've been through. I would highly recommend this for any school. All schools need an organization that will challenge them to pursue excellence and that is what CSI does. CSI was a great process, and I would recommend them to any school pursuing accreditation. Thank you for all the work it took to design a process this thorough."

- Kansas City Christian School, Prairie Village (KS)



## 2 Staffing Changes

Jennifer Thompson promoted to new chief executive officer and Jim Peterson hired as the director of operations and membership



## 1,165 Jobs Posted

on CSI Job Board and first job fair attended at Calvin University with Midwest area member schools



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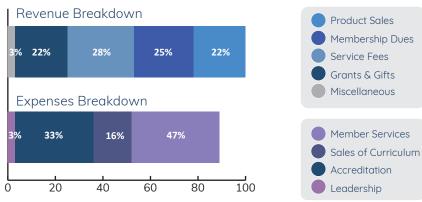
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Product Sales	\$285,000
Membership Dues	\$325,000
Service Fees	\$375,000
Grants and Gifts	\$295,000
Miscellaneous	\$40,000
Total	\$1,320,000
Expenses	2023–2024
Program Services	
Member Services	\$455,000
Sales of Curriculum	\$155,000
Accreditation	\$321,000
Leadership	\$32,000
Program Services Total	\$963,000
General & Administration	\$357,000

#### Total \$1,320,000

## CSIF: Partners in Mission

Started in 1950, the **Christian Schools International Foundation (CSIF)** exists to provide financial support for Christian Schools International. The CSIF Board is fully engaged and supportive in the mission and vision of CSI. The CSIF generously supports special projects that benefit CSI member s schools today and in the future.

You can be part of this great work as well. Prayerfully consider making CSIF a part of your giving or estate planning. Students, teachers, and administrators of the Christian Schools International family throughout the world all benefit.

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Your Part in Our Story

One of the beginning lines of this report is an understatement. God is truly on the move in Christian education. CSI is blessed and honored to be part of the Christian school movement across the world. Opportunities to impact the Kingdom and be part of God's story though Christian education are everywhere. It is our deep hope that as we fulfill CSI's mission to support schools in their work, with God's strength, that schools will sustain their good work for many, many generations. We can do that even faster with your support.

CSI's story is even bigger. For more of our story, visit:



## Future *Opportunities*

#### **Teaching and Learning Resources**

Providing theologically sound and Christ-centered curriculum and resources to schools is even more important today in a fast-paced world. Focusing on knowing God through knowing his Word, encouraging Bible reading in classrooms and in families, will profoundly impact the Kingdom. New Bible resources will do just that.

#### **Membership and Accreditation**

School/Parent choice is growing in many states. Brand new Christian schools are opening in order to meet the demand of families who for the first time can afford Christian education. CSI has the opportunity to support new and established schools for strength and sustainability across the US. **Help us resource this growing need.** 

#### **Professional Learning**

Teacher and administrator shortages fill today's headlines. Providing strong and readied leaders to fill a crucial role at our schools is a top priority. CSI is poised to expand our programs in providing faith integration foundations for teachers, as well as leadership support for administrators. **Our Beautiful Work Events are in high demand**. Christian Schools International 99 Monroe Ave NW, Suite 200 Grand Rapids, MI 49503





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