



# FLOURISH

deeper roots | wider reach

A Three-Year Generosity Initiative



# COVENANT

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



LIKE A TREE  
planted by  
**streams**  
of water

**PSALM 1:3**

# JOHN ROBERTS

COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



In 2003 Covenant Christian School began with a vision, a vision that this school would be one filled by a culture of grace, where students would be treated with dignity and recognized as whole persons created in the image of God. There was a desire that everyone who walks our halls would know this is a different place, a place characterized by God's compassionate, loving grace. I am thankful to report that God has honored this vision.

But this distinctive, strategic ministry to children and their families suffers from a lack of space. The school is at capacity at 155 students, and the classrooms are radically undersized, with most having no natural light. We need to address these problems. We need to support this important ministry; we need to support our faculty and our students by providing right-sized classrooms filled with natural light that will allow our school to flourish in every way.

We now find ourselves at a critical juncture. From the inception of the school ministry, our church and school leaders have been planning for this moment in time. Since the school began, the church has secured four critical properties to the south of the main church building. We are now in a position to expand our building and create the space that best meets the needs of the school ministry.

So, after a long season of prayerful planning, the church and school are launching the \$6M Flourish Capital Campaign, to provide appropriate space for the school.

I invite you to learn more about this initiative through this brochure. I also invite you to prayerfully consider how you might help our school ministry to flourish through your support of this vital project.

God bless,

John Roberts, Head of School



# OUR MISSION

Educating the whole child to the glory of God in a grace-filled environment

## EDUCATING THE WHOLE CHILD

Covenant's faculty and staff come alongside each learner to help them grow spiritually, intellectually, artistically, physically, social, and emotionally. Through educating the whole child, the inherent dignity of each child is recognized.

## TO THE GLORY OF GOD

As a community, we are committed to seeking the glory of God "with every word we speak and every step we take."

## IN A GRACE-FILLED ENVIRONMENT

Covenant's atmosphere is characterized by grace; as a community, we seek to demonstrate patience, humility, forgiveness and Christ-like love in our interactions with one another.



# THE WORK



**Construct an addition to the south, providing inviting, spacious classrooms for our students:**

- Ten classrooms with abundant natural light and direct access to the school's outdoor classroom and the Outdoor Learning Lab
- Increased educational space providing for a 15% increase in the size of the school's student body (from 155 students to 180 students)
- Collaborative student workspace for meeting, learning and working together
- New school offices and meeting space

**Build a new "Main Entrance":**

- An inviting new entryway so that families and guests may be warmly welcomed into our new, secure school space

**Build a new Community Space**

- The cultivation of community in a warm, relational environment
- Hosting receptions, lectures, and meetings (seating capacity: 200 adults)

**The total estimated cost for this work is \$6 million to be funded through the Flourish campaign over three years.**



**Expanded Community Space**  
A bright and lively environment  
for cultivating community

**The Commons**  
Ten appropriately-sized  
classrooms for our Adult  
Sunday School and  
Covenant Christian School

**New Main Entry**  
A welcoming space that  
is easy to navigate as you  
enter the church and  
school

# BUILDING TO FLOURISH



# THE CAMPAIGN

Flourish is a three-year capital campaign which is essential to the future of Covenant Christian School.

As a community, we are embarking on a journey of faith together with the firm conviction that right-sized classrooms filled with natural light as well as and collaborative learning spaces will allow our children and teachers to flourish in every way: spiritually, intellectually, physically, artistically, socially, and emotionally. After a long season of prayerful planning, now is the right time to expand our impact for the gospel in St. Louis and around the world.

Our prayer is that every member of our Covenant School community will prayerfully consider how we might respond in support of this campaign. Please join us in praying that God will lead the way so that our children, teachers, and families can flourish in every way.



## HOW WILL YOU RESPOND?

We are asking you to support the flourishing of our school for the glory of God.

**PRAY FERVENTLY.** Pray that God would multiply our efforts to provide better space for our faculty and students. Pray that he would do abundantly more than we ask or imagine.

**COMMIT FULLY.** Help us reach our goal of 100% engagement in our Flourish campaign. Stand side by side with other school families. Commit to do what God is calling each one of us to do.

**LEARN INTENTIONALLY.** Learn all you can about this project and its impact for God's kingdom.

**GIVE GENEROUSLY.** Ask God to show you what it looks like to give in a way that changes you. Take whatever steps are required to see it through.

You may think your gift does not matter when compared to our total goal for Flourish. But, every gift matters to God. It's not about the amount, but what that amount means to you (Matthew 12:41-44).



**COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL**  
**3 YEAR GIFT CHART**  
**\$6 MILLION**  
36-month commitment

3-YEAR GIFT OF	MONTHLY GIFT OF	WEEKLY GIFT OF
\$1,000,000	\$27,778	\$6,410
\$750,000	\$20,833	\$4,808
\$500,000	\$13,889	\$3,205
\$250,000	\$6,944	\$1,603
\$100,000	\$2,778	\$641
\$75,000	\$2,083	\$481
\$50,000	\$1,389	\$321
\$25,000	\$694	\$160
\$10,000	\$278	\$64
\$7,200	\$200	\$46
\$5,400	\$150	\$35
\$3,600	\$100	\$23
\$2,500	\$70	\$16
\$1,500	\$41	\$10
\$500	\$14	\$3
\$150	\$4	\$1

**TOTAL GIFT GOAL: \$6,000,000**

**THREE WAYS TO GIVE**

1. One-time cash gift
2. 36-month goal for giving
3. Special resources (books, books, storage, etc.)

Description of special resources gift:

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**MY/OUR COMMITMENT**

USE PLAN TO GIVE ACCOUNTBOOK

Weekly for 36 months: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Monthly for 36 months: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Annually for 3 years: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

A one-time gift: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL 36-MONTH COMMITMENT AMOUNT:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

BY DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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**MY/OUR CONTACT INFORMATION:**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

## FAQs

**What is the timeline for the construction project? When will we break ground?**

We pray that construction will begin in in late 2020, with the work taking 12-18 months to complete.

**How will the school's unique culture be cared for as students, faculty, and staff transition into the new space?**

The school's leadership recognizes that stewarding the school's culture well is critical to the success of this project. In response to this recognized need, leadership has initiated a School Culture Committee. The purpose of the committee is to identify areas where the culture could be impacted by the building project and to make recommendations regarding how best to steward the school through the transition.

**Why is the school capping enrollment at 180?**

Covenant Christian School's current enrollment cap is 155 students. In the new facility, enrollment will be capped at 180 students. Covenant's unique, integral curriculum and faith-nurturing, relationship-centered culture is best fostered in a purposefully small school setting. The school's culture is extraordinary, and remaining small is the best means for keeping it that way.

**How will access and security be handled?**

The classroom addition will provide a secure, single point of entry for the school.

**Why not build a basement for storage and expansion?**

We would love to add a basement. However, a basement will add approximately \$1,000,000 to the cost of the project. If pledges warrant, adding a basement would be a top priority.

Our goal through Flourish is that 100% of our families will engage in this initiative to help deepen our roots and widen our reach with the gospel.

### How Will You Respond?

We are asking each member of the school community to engage with us and prayerfully consider making a significant investment in our school and in the spread of the gospel in our community, our nation and around the world.

Learn more at [ccsctl.org/flourish](http://ccsctl.org/flourish).

If you would like to learn more, set a time to meet with John at 314-787-1036 or [jroberts@ccsctl.org](mailto:jroberts@ccsctl.org)



# SUPPORT THE MINISTRY OF COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL AS IT FLOURISHES INTO THE FUTURE!

*Becky: My grandchildren have flourished educationally, socially, and spiritually in this school. I am so grateful their parents chose quality Christian education for them!*

*Steve: This school is one-of-a-kind. Its focus on a grace-filled environment and learning through experience is truly distinctive.*

*Laura: Covenant has been the best school experience we could have asked for. The teachers and faculty are phenomenal and always available. Covenant has been a great blessing!*

*Amanda: We have been blessed for our children to attend this wonderful school! We are so thankful for the kind, patient, and caring teachers, students, and staff at Covenant.*

