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## From The Headmaster - August 2, 2023

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# *From the Headmaster*

Good Morning Veritas Parents,

Greetings! Summer is winding down quickly and it's time to get ready for another great school year. 2023-2024 starts on August 10 -only one more week of summer! The teachers are busy preparing for the arrival of your children. We are all looking forward to seeing your families next week.

I am grateful to the Lord for another year to partner with you in providing a classical, Christian, and covenantal education to your children. One aspect of God's design for our families is to pass down His Word from one generation to the next. This is spoken of in Psalm 78. ***He commanded our fathers to teach to their children, that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God. Psalms 78:5-7*** This is an amazing vision to have for your family –to live out your faith in such a way that God would work in the lives of your grandchildren and great grandchildren. We are humbled to come alongside you in obedience to this calling.

You received an email from the office on June 9 and should have received another email this week with ALL the Back-to-School details –forms, schedules, volunteer opportunities, etc. **Read those emails carefully!** -- Here are a few details and reminders from the headmaster for the new school year.

## Mark Your Calendars and Synchronize Your Watches for the First Week!

1. **Grammar (PreK-6th) Parent Orientation**, Wednesday, August 9, 2:00-4:00 pm (Bring your supplies.)
2. **FIRST DAY** -Thursday, August 10, Drop-off 7:40-8:00 AM. Classes start at 8:00 am
3. **ALL Parents (PreK-12th) Meeting, MANDATORY** (*at least one parent per family*)-right after drop-off on Thursday, in the sanctuary, 8:05-9:00 am
4. **Athletics Meeting** for ALL Parents of Veritas Athletes on Thursday, in the sanctuary, 8:50-9:30 am
5. Logic & Rhetoric Parent Orientation, **MANDATORY** (*at least one parent per family*)- Thursday, August 10, 6:30-8:30 pm
6. **NO EXTENDED-DAY classes August 10-11**. Extended Day starts Monday, August 14.
7. **NOON DISMISSAL for ALL students** (PreK-12th) on August 10-11 --Staggered dismissal --last names A-M pick up at 12:00, N-Z pick up at 12:10 pm.

## Prayer Requests

1. Pray for God's provision of wisdom, perseverance, and finances for 2023-2024. Ask the Lord to supply the teachers and staff with strength for the 180-day journey ahead. And ask Him to provide for all our financial needs.
2. Pray for us as we prepare for our five-year ACCS accreditation renewal. We will send in our documentation packet in early October and will be visited by the accreditation committee in February. Pray that God will enable us to walk through this process successfully.
3. Pray for our new teachers and staff. Dr. Richard Rush will be teaching Latin, Greek, and a German class to upper school students. Isabel James is our new teacher aide in Pre-Kindergarten and Audrey Castlen will be helping with P.E.
4. Pray for the Veritas School Board as they lead the school into the new school year. Ask the Lord to guide them as they seek to expand our facilities for future growth.
5. Pray for our families and students, especially those who are new to Veritas. We are so grateful for every child and every parent that will be a part of God's work in our school this year. Please pray for a fruitful year in our homes and classrooms -especially the fruit of the Spirit --**love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, & self-control**. Galatians 5:22-23. Godly virtue and the fruit of the Spirit will be emphasized in our assemblies and classrooms this year.

**Staff Needs** (*Contact Mr. Taylor if you are interested*)

1. Physical Education Assistant(s) -We are still looking for one or two parents to assist with Physical Education class, especially on Tuesday and Thursday.
2. Music Teacher/Assistant -Mrs. Winks is still in need of someone to work with her in the music program, particularly someone with choral/vocal training to work with our upper school students.

## Two Links for Your Heart and Mind

**All You Need is Love** –In raising your children all you need is love –assuming you define “love” biblically. *We can have an elaborate formulaic approach to raising children, but nothing is more important than them receiving love, both from their parents and God. Love can cover a multitude of deficiencies in our parenting.*

**Christians and the Classics** -What does Athens have to do with Jerusalem? What do ancient books give to us as Christians? *The sanctifying spirit of Christian engagement with classical literature is the most important reason why Christians read and teach the classics. God is Truth, as Scripture reveals. Augustine also famously wrote that, “Truth, wherever it is found, belongs to God.” This is true, then, when dealing with ancient writings of cultural value and significance. The truth and beauty found therein belong to God, and as children of God, we need not fear what properly belongs to the Father.*

We are praying that 2023-2024 will be a banner year at Veritas. A year of honoring the Lord, loving our students, and strengthening your families. Have a great final week to your summer. We will see you next week!

Yours in Christ

Scott Taylor, Headmaster

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