



# Covenant

CANADIAN REFORMED TEACHERS COLLEGE

DECEMBER 2018

*"...tell the next generation..."* PSALM 78:4

## from the PRINCIPAL CHRISTINE VAN HALEN-FABER

At the time of writing, the college is very quiet: Outside a heavy blanket of early snow smothers all traffic noise, and inside the student lounge is remarkably silent and empty as our students are away on placement.

Now that the semester is drawing to a close, we all have some busy weeks ahead: Finishing courses, finalizing papers and major assignments, preparing, writing, and grading exams, followed by getting

ready for the Winter Semester. We look forward to welcoming Mrs. Stephanie Sikma (English Literature) and Mr. Tim Wildeboer (Phys.Ed.) in addition to Rev. Douwe Agema and Miss Judy Kingma who will be returning.

As we say farewell to two sessional instructors who will not be returning in January, we thank Dr. Ben Faber for his thoughtful enthusiasm with which he taught the Perspectives on Literature course to the third year students. We also

express our appreciation to Mme Teresa Boisvert (and Mrs. Kim Harsevoort at Timothy Christian School) for introducing the first and second year students to the AIM French program: Merci beaucoup!

With deep gratitude we can reflect on the first months of classes. Students and faculty worked together in excellent harmony, and the tone of teaching and learning has been God-honouring. May our God continue to bless our work, so it may stand to his glory (Ps. 90).



**THINKING ABOUT STUDYING AT CCRTC?**  
Contact us as soon as possible. 2019-2020 applications are due **FEBRUARY 1, 2019**



# Practicum Placements

One of the unique features of CCRTC's program is that during the course of their studies students are required to complete one placement in a resource room where students with identified special needs receive the learning support they need. This placement is not intended to prepare our students to become resource teachers, but rather is aimed at helping future 'regular classroom

teachers' understand the complexity of a classroom setting where all students are called to use their God-given gifts to the very best of their ability. This includes the most vulnerable members of a school community. It is amazing and beautiful to see how schools have matured in their practice of inclusion. Without fail, our teacher candidates return from a resource room placement with a renewed sense of awe in what it means to educate God's children together. Let us never take this privilege for granted!



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WISHING you a *blessed* CHRISTMAS  
AND a *happy* NEW YEAR!

## Treasurer's Report

CCRTC FINANCE AND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Dear readers,  
Without a piece reminding you of the financial needs of CCRTC, our newsletter would not be complete. Neither will it come as a surprise when we ask you to prayerfully consider making a special year-end donation to CCRTC.

As with all not-for-profit institutions, ensuring there are enough funds to meet the budget is hard work. For that reason we make giving easy for you through our website.

We gratefully introduce the members of the Finance and Fundraising Committee who volunteer their time and talents to this important part of the college's operation: Nathan Helder (Treasurer), Jack Kingma (Assistant Treasurer), Corrine Van Woudenberg, and Karen VanVeen. In addition, Jo-anne van Leeuwen (Administrative Assistant) attends meetings to ensure a strong link to the office.

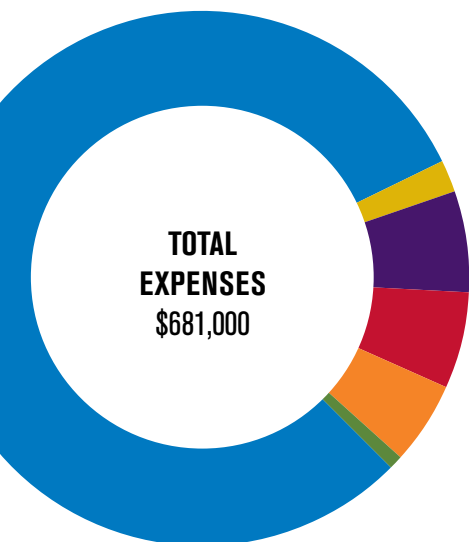
Recently we appealed to the business community requesting financial support and we continue to convey this plea

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for funding. We would like to send a profound thank you to our supporters for all they have done and continue to do.

May your decision to give a year-end donation serve as a rich blessing for Reformed teacher training.



#### CCRTC 2017-2018 EXPENSES (ACTUALS)

- Miscellaneous \$9,000
- Admin \$31,000
- Building \$39,000
- Programs \$40,000
- Library Department \$10,000
- Payroll \$552,000

#### CCRTC 2017-2018 INCOME (ACTUALS)

- Member School Society Revenue \$107,000
- Student Tuition \$176,000
- Other \$6,000
- Contributions/Donations \$337,000

