

A year of

Pursuing Excellence Together

2025 - 2026
ANNUAL REPORT



CORNERSTONE
SCHOOLS



**A Private School with a Kingdom Purpose:
EMPOWERING STUDENTS TO GLORIFY GOD**

Your Impact

BY THE NUMBERS



100%

OF STUDENTS RECEIVE
TUITION ASSISTANCE



100%

OF STUDENTS RECEIVE
FREE BREAKFAST, LUNCH, & SNACK



505

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED
THROUGH SCHOLARSHIPS FOR KIDS



58% GIRLS

42% BOYS



55% Tax Credit Scholarships
22% Contributions & Events
7% Child Nutrition Program
9% Grants & Foundations
7% Tuition



64% Salaries & Benefits
15% Technology & Instruction
15% Building & Insurance
6% Development & Other

Dear Cornerstone Friends,

The 2025-26 school year was an amazing year full of accomplishments. Your partnership is truly making an impact in the lives of our students. Through every challenge and every triumph, He has remained faithful as we continue pursuing our Kingdom Purpose: Empowering students to glorify God.

Throughout the year, we celebrated remarkable achievements in academics, athletics, leadership, and character. Our students continue to reflect God's faithfulness and the transformative impact of a Cornerstone education. Their achievements range from record scholarship offers, national recognition to championship titles, and lives marked by Christ like character.

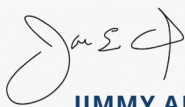
Our mission is made possible through the partnerships of faithful supporters like you. Together, we are living out what it means to pursue Excellence Together, creating opportunities for students to grow in faith, academics, and character while preparing them for the future God has planned for them.

We invite you to read along and join us in celebrating the countless ways God has blessed our students this year. Thank you for your prayers, generosity, and commitment to Cornerstone's mission.

In Christ,



DR. NITA CARR
President



JIMMY ARD
Board Chair

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."

EPHESIANS 2:10

Our Kingdom Purpose:

Empowering Students to **Glorify God**

Our Pillars

Excellence for **God**
Excellence in **Education**

Excellence for **Students**
Excellence in **Character**

Core Values

Love | Respect | Integrity | Responsibility | Perseverance

Becoming Exemplary Highlights



100%

GRADUATION RATE



100% SENIORS
ACCEPTED
TO 1 OR MORE OF
51 COLLEGES



RECORD BREAKING

\$8.555 MILLION

IN SCHOLARSHIPS EARNED





2.5X THE SEATING
CAPACITY
IN OUR **NEWLY**
RENOVATED CAFETERIA



100%

INCREASE IN STUDENTS IN
MUSIC/BAND EXPANSION



NATIONAL BETA
CLUB FINALIST



TRACK RESULTS
13 STATE CHAMPIONS
3 ALL AMERICAN
2 QUALIFIED FOR
JUNIOR OLYMPICS

Board Members

***Cornerstone Alum*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Jimmy Ard, Chair	Justin Hays	Ben Nevins
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Julie Gray	Ann Perry*	

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RT Davis	Jimmy Massey	Ben Shearer
	Olivia Methvin	Jordan Smith**

LEADERSHIP TEAM:

Dr. Nita Carr	Julia Hackney	LaToya Seals
Ann Perry	Jermaine Jackson	
Theresa Frank	Alyssa Roberts	

Event Partners

2025 - 2026

Altec/Styslinger Foundation	Catherine Morton
Ard Contracting	Fairfax & Drayton Nabers
B.L. Harbert International	Barbara & Ben Nevins
Barber Companies	Protective Life
Brasfield & Gorrie	Joan & Jim Rein
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CS Beatty Construction	Becky & Kirby Sevier
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Melinda & Bubba Helveston	Sallie & Peter Waite
Tyler & Thomas Huddle	Walter Kelley Family Fund
Melinda & Henry King	Meg Ward
Kellie & Dale McIntyre	Andrea & Paul Wells



THANK YOU TO OUR CORNERSTONE FAMILY FOR PARTNERING WITH US AS WE PURSUE EXCELLENCE TOGETHER!

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