



December 9, 2016

Dear TCS Community,

I am honored and blessed to have been selected to serve as your next Head of School. There have been many moments in my life when I have looked back and been amazed at how God has led me where He desires me to be and where I can bring Him glory. Reflecting on my journey to The Christ School is one of those moments.

In August, I received a phone call from Dr. David Tilley, my mentor and current Head of School at Mt. Paran Christian School, where I have been blessed to serve for the past seven years. He shared with me that Dr. Jason Powell, the current Head of School of The Christ School in Orlando, had been called to serve elsewhere. Dr. Tilley spoke highly of both Dr. Powell and The Christ School and wanted to tell me about the opportunity as soon as he heard. He believed it would be a perfect fit.

I was immediately drawn to the name, The Christ School. I began to read about the school's mission and strategic plan and noticed the similarities to my own passions. I have an ardent desire to help students develop into men and women who love God and others, serve their communities, and lead others to impact this world. I am also extremely passionate about improving academics and assisting students in reaching their fullest potential. The more I read, the more I knew God was leading me and The Christ School in the same direction.

During these initial days of my journey, I prayerfully sought God's wisdom and direction and reached out to people who are familiar with The Christ School. My wife and I also spoke and prayed together about the opportunity and knew it was a school we wanted to learn more about.

When I first met with the search committee, I was impressed with the people and their hearts for the school community. During my second visit, I had the opportunity to meet some of The Christ School faculty, staff, students and parents, attend chapel and see the school in action. It was then, as I witnessed the Christ focus of the community, the passion of the teachers, the enthusiasm of the students, and the commitment of the parents, I felt confident God was calling me and my family to The Christ School. It was an honor to learn the school felt the same way.

As I look to the future, I am filled with excitement...excitement to meet your families and for you to meet mine; excitement for my family, Jennie, Eli (age 7), and Austin (age 4), to be a part of the TCS family; excitement to learn more about the school, its traditions, and what makes it unique; excitement for the future of the school and how we can continue to grow and improve; and excitement to see God's plan unfold and for all of us to see our part in His story.

I look forward to seeing many of you on Monday, December 12th when I will be speaking in chapel and hope to meet you, personally, at 8:45 a.m. in King Parlor. For those of you who are not able to attend, I hope we have the opportunity to meet soon!

Warm Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Aaron Farrant". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Aaron Farrant
Head of School Elect