

DAYTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL SYSTEM

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Dear School Family,

God has certainly had His hand on the Dayton Christian School System, this year, moving and working in marvelous ways. He has also been at work in the personal lives of some of our administrators as well, as He has been calling them to consider utilizing their vast experience with DCSS in other venues and ministries.

Carl Smith has been with the school for 18 years, most recently as the Assistant to the Director of Educational Services and will be leaving to serve his church in a key leadership role. "Leaving Dayton Christian is a matter that I have not entered into lightly, and I have sought God's will throughout the process. It has been a blessing to serve God through the ministry of the Dayton Christian School System. I desire to take what I have learned in teaching and ministry and help other families develop a Christian worldview through Christian Education. Dayton Christian and the people I have ministered with have become part of who I am. God is now asking me to take what I have learned and share it with others." ~ Carl Smith

Lee Reno, Director of Educational Services, has served DCSS in many capacities for over 38 years. Lee is currently transitioning out of his role and transferring his academic leadership to Dr. Dave Rough. I am grateful that Lee will continue to mentor and be a consultant to Dave during this season. "Since 1971 God has used DCSS to shape and influence me as a husband, father, and educator, as well as given me many wonderful opportunities to serve with co-laborers with the same 'heart set', focused on Christ. At this time I'm not sure what God has in the future for Melanie and me, other than it will be good because God is good." ~ Lee Reno

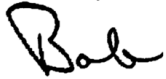
Dr. Dave Rough has worked in DCSS for 23 years and has been named the Academic Dean of the Dayton Christian School System. He has been the Director of Curriculum and Instruction for DCSS since 2008 and prior to that was the Assistant Principal and Principal at the Dayton Campus. Dave received his Ed.D. in Organizational Leadership from Indiana Wesleyan University. He also has a Masters in Christian School Administration and a Masters of Arts in Religion. "I am very humbled by this opportunity to serve God and the school system. My excitement about the potential of our school to impact lives and to develop our students into world changers is difficult to describe. I have prayed and sensed the call of God on my life to accept this new position. I would seek the prayers of the entire school family for wisdom and discernment as I take on this important role. The shoes of leadership are large and I honor those who have led in the past and prepared us for these new times of ministry." ~ Dave Rough

Joe Batchelor is now the Xenia Christian High School Principal. Joe Batchelor has been the assistant principal at Xenia Christian High School since 2009. Prior to coming to XC he has been involved in ministry for the last 20 years in Christian schools and churches. Originally from the Hawaiian Islands, Mr. Batchelor is a graduate of Bob Jones University and Cedarville University, where he earned his Master of Education degree. He has a passion for educating young people to use their gifts for God and

to live lives of worship for Jesus Christ. In addition to being an experienced Christian educator, Mr. Batchelor is also a church pianist and music minister. He currently is the Worship Leader at East Dayton Baptist Church. Mr. Batchelor and his wife Julianne have seven children and live in Springfield. “God is doing great things on the Xenia Christian campus. I am looking forward to serving the families of Xenia Christian and giving the truth to their children every day.”

I am very excited about the opportunities for these men and dear friends and am certain that God will use their gifts and talents in mighty ways as they bless the lives of others. Also, I feel so blessed that the transitions in leadership have been smooth, which is a testimony to the heart and cooperative spirit of all involved.

Gratefully in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bob". The letters are cursive and fluid, with a large initial "B".

Robert M. Elliott
President/CEO