



From the Director

Greetings from the CFT community! We pray you had a blessed Christmas season and had some time to reflect on the gift of our Savior. As we look into 2023, we want to welcome a few [new staff](#) members to our team. We are excited to have them be a part of our community and provide valuable resources for you!

Check out our new [blog](#) launching this year on our website. We will have monthly posts, and first is an article by Dr. Chris Hobbs, "[Make Mission: How to Clarify it and 5 ways an AD can move their coaches closer to it.](#)" Visit regularly for great content!

We love to hear about the way your programs and athletes are being transformed, like CWC's boy's soccer team. Share your stories with us to inspire each other and the communities that surround us.

Welcome New Staff

We are excited to introduce some [new faces](#) to CFT! These skilled men bring valuable insight and many years of expertise to our community, and we believe having them on board will help deepen your own CFT experience and in turn, what you can bring to your school.

Chris Hobbs | Communications Director

Dr. Chris Hobbs leads admissions, advancement, marketing, and communications as the Director of Institutional Advancement at Second Baptist School in Houston, Texas. Prior to his current role, Dr. Hobbs spent 16 years as an athletic administrator. He was named the national athletic director of the year by Varsity Brands-BSN, and a top 40 under 40 leader in sport by Coach and AD magazine as the Director of Athletics at The King's Academy in West Palm Beach, Florida. Dr. Hobbs is a certified master athletic administrator, holds a master's degree in sport coaching from the United States Sports Academy and wrote his doctoral dissertation on the leadership behaviors of athletic administrators.



Beck Brydon | Lead Coach

Beck Brydon is the Director of Athletics for Regents School of Austin in Austin, TX, a position he has held since 2006. Coach "B" has coached various sports at Regents since 1997 and was the Varsity Head Football Coach from 2000-2019. He served as Regents' Director of Advancement from 2004-2006. He is currently an Executive Board Member of the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS), the primary governing body of private school athletics and fine arts in the state of Texas. Coach B's vision is to redeem sports for Christ - one heart, one team and one event at a time. While seemingly a monumental task given today's culture, it is the primary goal from which all 90+ coaches of 55 athletic teams spanning 15 different sports at Regents, operate. He has a passion for helping others view sports through a Christian worldview lens and he became a Colson Fellow in spring 2021. He and his wife Trish, a 8th grade English teacher at Regents, are celebrating their 28th wedding anniversary this year and have three wonderful children.



Thor Benson | Curriculum Director

Dr. Thor Benson teaches science courses, facilitates the Leadership Academy, and coaches lacrosse at Southwest Christian in Chaska, Minnesota. He is also an adjunct faculty in biology at the University of Northwestern, St. Paul. Throughout his teaching experience, Thor has taught every grade from kindergarten to graduate students. Benson is a school designer for Tft, which has fueled his passion for teaching and learning as he invites students and teachers to reflect and respond to the good life found in God's story. When not teaching or coaching, Thor can be found cycling, paddle boarding, windsurfing, playing tennis, enjoying a good cup of coffee, reading or spending time with family and friends.



School Highlight: Community Service

Central Wisconsin Christian took their boys soccer team into the community to serve the people of Waupun by mowing lawns and trimming. Coach Stuebs says this about their event:

"The plan was to have enough people in the community sign up for this free opportunity. It was

put on social media via facebook pages of the school, as well as community facebook pages. Unfortunately, we only had a few people sign up. So we just drove around and went door to door to see if people wanted their lawn mowed. We had some people that declined, but others that were very grateful. It was a great experience for the boys. We ended the Saturday morning with some pizza. We will most likely do it again next year and try to get the word out more."

It's great to see our schools providing opportunities for students to serve their neighbors in their communities, even when it doesn't go according to the original plan. Thanks for sharing how you are bringing your Transformative Principles to life for your student athletes!

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