

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

It's been another impactful year at Briercrest. Students have filled the Hildebrand chapel, the dining hall, and their classrooms with life and activity. We have seen them grow as servants and leaders, bringing their classroom learning to roles on campus, in the Church, and in parachurch ministries. We recognize that donor contributions make it possible for many of them to attend Briercrest, and we are grateful for those who continue to subsidize student fees and provide funds for scholarships, awards, and bursaries.

Our facilities have provided people with places to gather and worship, learn, or relax together. We recognize that donor contributions help to furnish, update, and maintain the places we live in—like our dorms, athletic facilities, and chapel spaces. Our unique environment is a central part of our ministry here at Briercrest, and we are grateful for those who partner with us to create these spaces.

Through programs like our BA Applied Linguistics: TESOL, we have continued to deliver excellent academic opportunities to students. Our professors have thoughtfully prepared courses, while our academic support staff and our leadership have worked to ensure the high quality of our academic experience. We are committed to providing outstanding Christian education with this guiding ambition: to see leaders inspired to equip the Church and engage the world.

Finally, our donors have partnered with Briercrest in achieving Kingdom mission. Because of this, we have been able to equip students with a better understanding of their place in the church and the significance of engaging the world with the gospel. Donor generosity touches every aspect of life at Briercrest, and we are committed as an institution to stewarding these gifts well.

Thank you for remembering us in your prayers and in your gifts. We have seen God's mighty hand at work among us, and we look forward to His continual provision in the coming year.

Sincerely,



**Michael B. Pawelke**

President



## WAYS TO CONNECT

We would love to hear from you! Tell us what you've been doing lately for a chance to be featured in our newsletter and on our blog. Also, stay tuned for Briercrest Connections events happening in your area!

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# BRIERCREST

CHRISTIAN ACADEMY — COLLEGE — SEMINARY

## BRIERCREST CHRISTIAN ACADEMY:

*New name, same mission*

High school education in Caronport has a new name for the same mission. After operating for 72 years under the name Caronport High School, the school will officially change its name to Briercrest Christian Academy this July.

For Vice Principal Derek Zacharias, the new name will better reflect the school's mission and relationship to Briercrest. "It allows people to know that we are a part of the three-school system and that we all have the same fundamental basis from which we provide a

high level of education," said Zacharias.

Briercrest Christian Academy will continue to pursue the original vision set forth in 1946 for Caronport High School. In a statement, the school affirmed: "Our prayer is that we would be positioned to help a higher quantity of students achieve their academic, athletic, and artistic dreams while unapologetically pushing them to walk with Jesus, understand their call, and make significant impact for the Kingdom of God."

## NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH BIOLA UNIVERSITY

*Provides exclusive pathway to Master of Arts TESOL*

Briercrest has partnered with California's Biola University to allow students to complete both their BA and MA TESOL degrees in just five years. The 4 + 1 program combines Briercrest's four-year BA with a one-year accelerated MA from Biola to be taken at any point after graduation.

David Catterick, Briercrest TESOL program leader, is excited about the partnership's ministry focus. "That's the heart of our program; that's the heart of their program. In effect, by giving them students, we're giving Biola opportunities to further train our students and then propel them into ministry around the world."

With this new pathway, two ministry-minded schools unite to provide students with the skills they need to serve abroad. The compatibility between both degree programs also proves something that Briercrest students have always known: Briercrest TESOL promises comprehensive, high-level academics—and delivers on these promises.

[briercrestcollege.ca/tesol/masters/](http://briercrestcollege.ca/tesol/masters/)



*"Caronport was home from '55 to the end of '90, and I still feel like we should turn in off the highway when we pass by on the way to Moose Jaw. I will always be grateful for Briercrest and that God allowed us to serve Him at Caronport."*

— Lillian Diggins, Alumna '51

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*"The students and teachers are so kind and patient that it only positively affects your learning. They care about your studies and how you are growing in your knowledge and faith, and they care that you understand the work that you are doing." — John Daugherty, current high school student*

## UPDATES

We currently have several projects underway and the support of our alumni, corporate friends, and family members is greatly appreciated. Here are a few examples of what we are working on:

**GYMNASIUM PROJECT** | Our summer work crew has given the gym a facelift. The project included building new interior walls, adding insulation for warmth, and brightening up the space with a fresh coat of paint.

**NEW HEATING UNITS** | Our overhead heating units are starting to age and need to be replaced. Our priority this year is to install units at the front of the Hildebrand/Edwards Chapel and in the eastern wing of BCA.

**NEW SIDEWALKS** | Several sidewalks on campus are being replaced for health and safety reasons, including the sidewalk from Whittaker dorm to the gym and the sidewalk outside of BCA.

**FOOTBALL CLUBHOUSE** | We are adding finishing touches to the high school football program clubhouse as funding allows.

**NEW LIGHTS FOR THE ARENA** | By investing in LED lights, we can improve the lighting in the Barkman Arena and save on our energy bills. We expect that the energy savings will pay for the lights in less than two years.

**NEW FLOORING FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL** | The project includes new laminate flooring, carpeting in the entryways, and new paint throughout the upper and lower hallways for a cleaner facility.

**REPURPOSED CHAIRS** | We are purchasing 220 new chairs for the Edwards Chapel and repurposing the existing chairs to replace the old ones in the Isabel Whittaker dorm, which are from the early 70s.

