

2025-26

# Welcome to Our New Faculty & Staff



## **Lauren Shinn - Kindergarten Teacher Assistant**

Mrs. Shinn has experience working in childcare, where she finds great fulfillment in supporting young learners as they begin to understand new concepts and grow into their unique personalities through education. She is CPR certified and holds official certifications from the State of North Carolina. She enjoys reading and painting, both as a way to relax and to creatively challenge herself. She got married this summer - Congratulations!!



## **Stephanie Whicker – Kindergarten Teacher Assistant**

Mrs. Whicker grew up in Tennessee and earned a B.A. in Foreign Affairs and a Master of Public Policy at University of Virginia. In 2023, after more than a decade with the federal government, she began teaching preschool. She loves helping others experience the joys of learning. She and her husband, Keich, have two children at CCS (kindergarten and second grade). She enjoys running, baking, nature with her kids, and time with her family.



## **Rebecca Bevins – 2nd Grade Teacher Assistant**

Mrs. Bevins moved to Apex in 2002 after earning a B.S. in Accounting and a minor in Communications from West Virginia University. She and her husband, Chad, have three sons: a junior at NC State and two CCS students - a Senior and a 7th grader. She enjoys time with her family, walking their dog, and volunteering at church - leading a high school girls' small group, teaching 3rd-5th graders, nursery care, and as Finance Committee co-chair.



## **Sarah Douglas - 3rd Grade Teacher**

Ms. Douglas is from Cary and grew up attending Cary Christian, K-12th grade. She attended Clemson University where she earned a B.A. in Elementary Education. She is excited to be in the same school as her sister (Logic School teacher) and her niece (current student) and be back in a place where talking about Christ is common and daily. She loves spending time with her family, playing games, writing calligraphy, and little crafts.



### **Preston Williams – Recess & After-School Care**

Preston Williams is a recent K-12th graduate of CCS. He started working in the After-School program his junior year and enjoyed it so much that he didn't want to leave! He will work full time in the Lower School while attending Wake Tech full time to earn an Associates degree in Arts Business, then transfer to a state university for his Bachelor's degree. In his spare time, he is obsessed with pickleball and loves fishing with his family!



### **Ana Elsarboukh - Spanish I & III Teacher**

Originally from Colombia, Mrs. Elsarboukh has a degree in Government and International Relations from Universidad Externado de Colombia, and a MS in Development Administration and Planning from University College of London. She has worked with students from different backgrounds and languages and is passionate about serving Christ wherever He calls her. She and her husband, Leslie, have two CCS students: Mia (5th) & Nathan (3rd).



### **Alexandra (“Alex”) Fields - 10th & 11th Grade Literature Teacher**

Mrs. Fields, formerly known as Ms. Ramsland, joined the Rhetoric School in January. She is a graduate of Baylor University with degrees in History and French and minors in Literature, Legal Reasoning, and Analysis. She recently married her high school sweetheart, Harrison, and the two live happily with their bernedoodle, Bucket. Mrs. Fields can also be found reading a good book, watching *Downton Abbey*, or enjoying restaurants and coffee shops.



### **Kirastacia Taylor - Rhetoric II & Seminar**

Ms. Taylor received a BA in Literature from International Christian University in Tokyo, Japan, and a MPhil in Literature from Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland. She has lived in five different countries and earned her license to teach Origami at the age of 14. She loves to draw, read, and is a registered Dancesport Athlete in Europe. She moved to America last fall to student teach for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City School District.



### **John Kozlowski - Finance Manager**

John and his family relocated to North Carolina in 2010 from Long Island, NY. He attended Hofstra University where he earned his BBA in accounting and received his MBA from Long Island University, CW Post. John and his wife, Stacy, have 3 daughters. His oldest attends NC State, his middle attends Wake Tech, and his youngest, Alexandra, is excited to commute with Dad to CCS where she will start 7th grade.



### **Randy Howell - Student Culture Administrative Assistant**

Mr. Howell was born and raised in North Carolina and grew up in New Bern. He graduated from NC State University and recently retired from the Social Security Administration, where he worked for over 30 years. His wife, Erin, and he have two children who have attended CCS since kindergarten. Their son, Will, graduated in 2022, and their daughter, Andie, is in 10th grade.



### **Jenna Kent - College Counselor**

Mrs. Kent, originally from Georgia, earned her BFA in Graphic Design from the American College of Art. Her family moved to Cary in 2013 and she has spent the last 11 years as a preschool teacher. She and her husband have 3 children: a 2022 CCS graduate, a senior, and a sophomore. She enjoys time with her family, serving in church, and Alabama football. She is eager to shepherd students through the college admissions process.