

TIMOTHY J. DERNLAN

EDUCATION

Doctor of Education in Leadership Studies, May, 2013

Outstanding Graduate

Major: Leadership Studies

Focus: Christian Theology

Ashland University – Ashland, OH

Dissertation: *Spiritual Formation: A Comparative Study of Modern and Classical Christian Schools*

Master of Education in Educational Leadership, May, 2009

Lehigh University – Bethlehem, PA

Bachelor of Arts in Education, May, 1999

Purdue University – West Lafayette, IN

Bachelor of Arts in Communication, May, 1998

Purdue University – West Lafayette, IN

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Vice President

ACCS

(Remote) Daphne, AL

2022-present

Develop and implement strategic initiatives for financial growth
Oversee membership recruitment and engagement of 500 schools
Lead fundraising, grant writing, and major donor development

Head of School

Bayshore Christian School

Fairhope, AL

2020-2022

Led fully accredited ACCS school with a \$4.8 million budget
Oversaw all aspects of leading 95 staff members and 540 students
Increased retention to 98%, enrollment by 25%, cash reserve by \$1.8M

Superintendent

Reach Christian Schools

Bear, DE

2015-2019

Led a Christian school district of five PK-12 Christian schools
Oversaw \$10.2 million budget, 220 employees, and 1300 students
Organizing and founding administrator of Reach Christian Schools

Head of School

Tall Oaks Classical School

New Castle, DE

2014-2019

Led fully accredited ACCS school with a \$2.2 million annual budget
Oversaw all aspects of leading 35 staff members and 210 students
Increased retention by 10%, enrollment by 10%, and fundraising by 16%

Principal

Tall Oaks Classical School

New Castle, DE

2013-2014

Oversaw, evaluated, and trained 25 teachers and 3 assistant teachers
Taught twelfth grade leadership class and grades 1-10 physical education
Mentored and disciplined students struggling with various difficulties

Head Wrestling Coach

Ashland University
Ashland, OH
2008-2013

Managed annual budget of \$400,000, 50 athletes, and several staff
Fundraised an average of \$40,000 annually for special wrestling projects
Oversaw budgets, scholarships, travel, compliance, recruiting, scheduling

Head Assistant Wrestling Coach

Lehigh University
Bethlehem, PA
2006-2008

Coordinated all recruiting efforts of prospective student-athletes
Co-Directed summer wrestling camps of over 950 campers
Assisted in management of annual budget and travel schedule

Assistant Wrestling Coach

Penn State University
State College, PA
2003-2006

Developed and implemented new individual and team system of training
Oversaw the academic progress of the student-athletes
Administrated youth clubs, camps, tournaments, and alumni golf outings

International Wrestling Club Coach

Ohio State University
Columbus, OH
1999-2000

Organized Ohio High School Wrestling Coaches Clinic for 600 coaches
Coordinated all training sessions for Ohio International Wrestling Club
Developed alumni relations and communications campaign

Graduate Assistant Wrestling Coach

Purdue University
West Lafayette, IN
1998-1999

Coordinated the set-up of home wrestling events
Developed marketing strategies for the promotion of home events
Monitored the study table hours and academics of student-athletes

Owner / CEO

Victory Wrestling Camps
Various Locations, OH
1998-2006

Managed annual operating budget of over \$100,000 per summer
Coordinated and directed 14 camps at 12 locations for 600 campers
Hired, trained, and paid 30 staff members each summer

OTHER EXPERIENCES**Upper School Principal**

Bayshore Christian School
Fairhope, AL
Fall, 2019

Oversaw, evaluated, and trained 20 teachers and 3 office staff
Future facility building committee and fundraising team member
Mentored and disciplined students struggling with various difficulties

Interim Head of School

Tri-State Christian Academy
Elkton, MD
Spring, 2018

Led this school of 330 students during a time of administrative transition
Developed and implemented classical scope and sequence for grades 1-12
Hired, trained, and mentored new school administrator

Interim Principal

Journey Christian Academy
Newark, DE
Winter, 2017

Led small start-up special needs school during administrative change
Counseled parents, hired staff, developed operational procedures
Hired new administrator, built a budget, and trained new staff

Interim Director of Development

Tall Oaks Classical School
New Castle, DE
Spring, 2016

Wrote and awarded \$100,000 grant from the Longwood Foundation
Raised \$42,000 in end of year Day of Giving Campaign
Developed new literature and annual calendar for development office

Resident Athlete

U.S. Olympic Training Center
 Colorado Springs, CO
 2001-2003

Trained as a fully funded athlete to make the United States Olympic Team
 Represented the United States at wrestling competitions around the world
 Delivered speeches, presentations, and mentoring to local K-12 students

TEACHING EXPERIENCE**Tall Oaks Classical School**

New Castle, DE

2019, Spring	Leadership Survey	Grade 11
2016-2017	Leadership Survey	Grades 11-12
2015-2016	Systematic Theology	Grade 10
2015-2016	Leadership Survey	Grade 12
2015, Spring	Personal Finance	Grade 12
2014, Fall	Leadership Survey	Grade 12
2013, Fall	Leadership Survey	Grade 12
2013, Fall	Physical Education	Grades 1-10

Red Lion Christian Academy

Bear, DE

2017-2018	The Gospel of Matthew (ACSI CEU)	Faculty
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Veritas Classical Christian Academy

Ashland, OH

2012-2013	Rhetoric and Logic	Grade 9
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Ashland University

Ashland, OH

2012, Fall	Human Communication (Section I)	Undergraduate
2012, Fall	Human Communication (Section H)	Undergraduate
2012, Spring	Fundamentals of Coaching Wrestling	Undergraduate
2009, Spring	Fundamentals of Coaching Wrestling	Undergraduate

Emerson Edison Charter School

Colorado Springs, CO

2002-2003	Mathematics - Title One	Grades 6-8
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Wayne High School

Huber Heights, OH

2000-2001	Introduction to Acting	Grades 9-12
2000-2001	History of Theater	Grades 9-12

GUEST LECTURES**Ashland University**

Ashland, OH

2012, Fall	Sport Ethics	Undergraduate
2012, Summer	Leadership Intensive	Doctoral
2012, Spring	Sport Management	Undergraduate
2011, Fall	Sport Ethics	Undergraduate
2011, Spring	Sport Management	Undergraduate
2010, Fall	Sport Ethics	Undergraduate
2010, Spring	Fundamentals of Coaching	Undergraduate

2010, Spring

Sport Management

Undergraduate

GRANT WRITING

2023, Spring

Submitted (in review) \$375,000 for leadership development from Murdock Trust

2022, Winter

Awarded \$30,000 for leadership development from Gianforte Family Foundation

2021, Winter

Awarded \$250,000 for student financial aid from BCS Foundation

2020, Winter

Awarded \$250,000 for student financial aid from BCS Foundation

2018, Winter

Awarded \$28,000 for school technology from Crystal Trust

2018, Spring

Awarded \$5,000 for school technology from The Calkins Foundation

2017, Spring

Awarded \$50,000 for school technology from Crystal Trust

2016, Spring

Awarded \$100,000 for facility renovations from Longwood Foundation

2014, Winter

Awarded \$28,000 for school technology from Crystal Trust

2014, Fall

Awarded \$20,000 for NILD from Chichester duPont Lydia Fund

BOARDS & COMMITTEES

2022, Spring

Regents University Doctoral Dissertation Committee for Scott McElvain, Ed.D.

2021-2022

Association of Classical Christian Schools, Board Member

2021-2022

Association of Classical Christian Schools, Finance and Investment Committee

2021, Summer

Association of Classical Christian Schools, Interim Board Secretary

2019-2022

Bayshore Christian School, Ex-Officio Board Member

2019-2022

Bayshore Christian School Foundation, Ex-Officio Board Member

2017-2022

Association of Classical and Christian Schools Accreditation Chairman

Regents Academy, Nacogdoches, TX

Westminster Academy, Memphis, TN

Regents Preparatory School of Oklahoma, Tulsa, OK

Bayshore Christian School, Fairhope, AL

2014-2022

Association of Classical and Christian Schools Accreditation Team Member

Regents School of Austin, Austin, TX

Grace Academy, Georgetown, TX

Bayshore Christian School, Fairhope, AL

Cary Christian School, Cary, NC

Grace Academy, Georgetown, TX

2014-2019

Tall Oaks Classical and Reach Christian Schools, Ex Officio Board Member

2012-2013

Ashland University Strategic Planning for Retention Committee Member

2012-2013

NWCA National Duals Selection Criteria Committee Member

2012-2013

NCAA DII Wrestling Ranking Coaches Poll Committee Member

2012-2013

NCAA Super Regional Two Host Institution Head Coach

CONSULTING

2022, Spring

Heritage Christian Academy in Lexington, SC

Head of School Search – Board Chair

2021, Spring

Providence Christian Academy in Dyer, IN

Strategic Planning – Head of School and Board Chair

2018, Winter

The Ambrose School in Boise, ID

Socratic Learning – Upper School Staff and Faculty

2018, Spring

Providence Classical School in Williamsburg, VA

Strategic Planning – Head of School and Board of Directors

2017, Spring	Providence Classical School in Williamsburg, VA Strategic Planning – Head of School and Board of Directors
2016, Fall	Phil-Mont Christian Academy in Erdenheim, PA General Counsel – Board of Directors
2015, Fall	Heritage Classical Academy in Hudson, OH Strategic Planning – Board of Directors
2011, Fall	Ashland Christian School in Ashland, OH Strategic Planning – Board of Directors

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

2022, March	<i>Classical Christian Education: A Historical Overview and Modern Benefits</i> Civic Club in Fairhope, AL
2020, June	<i>Socratic Learning in the Upper School</i> ACCS Repairing the Ruins Conference in United States, Online
2019, June	<i>Reaching the Wounded Athlete</i> Hope 4 the Wounded National Conference in Columbus, OH
2019, May	<i>Your Place in the River of Western Civilization</i> Veritas Academy Commencement Address in Lancaster, PA
2018, November	<i>Seven Marks of Intentional Christian Education</i> Classical Christian Academy in Post Falls, ID
2017, June	<i>Spiritual Formation in Christian Schools: Modern vs. Classical</i> ACCS Pre-Conference Leaders Day in Pittsburgh, PA
	<i>Classroom Management: Behavior Modification vs. Heart Transformation</i> ACCS Repairing the Ruins Conference in Pittsburgh, PA
	<i>A Trivium Approach to Physical Education and Sports</i> ACCS Repairing the Ruins Conference in Pittsburgh, PA
2015, February	<i>The Effectiveness of Classical Christian Education</i> P.E.O. Chapter D Monthly Meeting in Greenville, DE
2014, November	<i>Behind the Curtain</i> Tall Oaks Classical School Harvest Dinner in New Castle, DE
2013, April	<i>Building a Successful Team</i> Ashland Rotary Club in Ashland, OH
2012, May	<i>Big Time Fundraising for Small College Programs</i> (Discussion Panel) NWCA Leadership Academy in Evansville, IL
2011, December	<i>Best Practice for Faith Formation in Christian Schools</i> Doctoral Mentorship Presentations in Ashland, OH
2011, April	<i>The Importance of Physical Interaction Between Fathers and Sons</i> <i>Dernlan Curriculum Vitae (Page 5 of 8)</i>

	Ashland University Service Day in Ashland, OH
2010, September	<i>The Life and Work of C.S. Lewis</i> (Master of Ceremonies) Great Men of the Christian Faith Fall Lecture Series in Ashland, OH
2010, April	<i>Transitioning from Follower to Leader</i> Stark County Post Season Wrestling Banquet in Massillon, OH
2009, September	<i>The Life and Teaching of John Calvin</i> (Master of Ceremonies) Great Men of the Christian Faith Fall Lecture Series in Ashland, OH

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2022, Fall	Church Administrator at Church of the Redeemer in Fairhope, AL
2021, Spring	Greeter at Eastern Shore Presbyterian Church in Fairhope, AL
2019, Fall	Served Meals at W. F. Green Veterans Home in Bay Minette, AL
2018, Fall	Reach Church Adult Sunday School Substitute Teacher in Bear, DE
2018, Fall	Kirkwood Soccer U12 Girls Coach in New Castle, DE
2018, Spring	Reach Church Communion Sunday Prayer Team in Bear, DE
2018, Winter	Delaware Elite Wrestling Club Coach in Middletown, DE
2018, Winter	Tim Tebow's Night to Shine, Respite Room Volunteer in Bear, DE
2017, Winter	Deploy the Joy Elderly Assistance in Wilmington, DE
2017, Fall	Reach Church Communion Sunday Prayer Team in Bear, DE
2017, Summer	Reach Church Upper School Sunday School Teacher in Bear, DE
2017, Spring	Upward Soccer Coach in Newark, DE
2017, Spring	Reach Kids Teaching Assistant at Reach Church in Bear, DE
2017, Winter	Tim Tebow's Night to Shine, Respite Room Volunteer in Bear, DE
2016, Spring	Upward Soccer Referee in Newark, DE
2015, Fall	Nursery Volunteer at Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Newark, DE
2015, Spring	Upward Soccer Coach in Newark, DE
2014, Summer	Sunday School Teacher at Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Newark, DE
2012, Spring	Nursery Volunteer at Harvest Church in Medina, OH
2012, Summer	National Wrestling Coaches Association Leadership Academy in Edwardsville, IL
2011, Spring	Recruited Volunteers for Make-A-Wish Foundation event setup in Ashland, OH
2011, Spring	Organized and Taught at "Boys will be Boys" father-son outreach in Ashland, OH
2011, Fall	Sunday School Teacher at Harvest Church in Medina, OH
2011, Spring	Nursery Volunteer at Harvest Church in Medina, OH
2010, Fall	Sunday School Teacher at Harvest Church in Medina, OH
2010, Spring	Founded "Wrestlers for a Better Community" to help widows in Ashland, OH
2010, Spring	Organized Volunteers for American Heart Association event setup in Ashland, OH
2009, Fall	Organized Sponsorship of two local families for Adopt-a-Family in Ashland, OH (more available upon request)

HONORS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Academic

2013	Outstanding Graduate of Ashland University Doctoral Program
1998	Academic All-Big Ten Conference Selection
1996	Academic All-Big Ten Conference Selection

Leadership

2012	Bob Bubb NCAA DII National Coach-of-the-Year Nominee
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2012	NWCA/FCA Coaches Leadership Academy Mentor Coach
2011	Bob Bubb NCAA DII National Coach-of-the-Year Nominee
2011	NCAA Division II Midwest Regional Coach-of-the-Year
1998	Purdue University Red Mackey Award Winner
1998	Purdue University Wrestling Team Captain
1997	Purdue University Wrestling Team Captain
1997	Chairman of Purdue University Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

Coaching

2022, Fall	Coached AHSAA Boys Cross Country Team State Champions
2022, Fall	Coached Four AHSAA All-State Athletes
2022, Winter	Coached AHSAA Boys Wrestling State Champion
2021, Fall	Coached AHSAA Boys Cross Country Team State Champions
2021, Fall	Coached Four AHSAA All-State Athletes
2021, Winter	Coached AHSAA Boys Wrestling State Placewinner
2020, Fall	Coached AHSAA Boys Cross Country Team State Runner-ups
2008-2013	Coached Nine NCAA DII All-Americans
2008-2013	Produced Twenty-six NCAA DII National Qualifiers
2008-2013	Mentored Twenty-one NWCA DII All-Academic Student-Athletes
2008-2013	Ranked in the Top Ten Nationally for Team G.P.A.
1998-2008	Produced Forty-two NCAA DI National Qualifiers
1998-2008	Coached Eleven NCAA DI All-Americans
1998-2008	Mentored Six NCAA DI Academic All-Americans

Recruiting

2012	Head Coach of Recruiting Class Ranked 2 nd in the Nation
2011	Head Coach of Recruiting Class Ranked 3 rd in the Nation
2010	Head Coach of Recruiting Class Ranked 5 th in the Nation
2009	Head Coach of Recruiting Class Ranked 1 st in the Nation
2007	Head Assistant Coach of Recruiting Class Ranked 6 th in the Nation
2006	Assistant Coach of Recruiting Class Ranked 3 rd in the Nation
2005	Assistant Coach of Recruiting Class Ranked 3 rd in the Nation

Athletic

2004	United States of America Final Olympic Trials Qualifier
2001	FILA Pan American Championships, 5 th Place
2001	USA Wrestling Senior National Championships, 2 nd Place
2000	United States of America Final Olympic Trials Qualifier
1998	NCAA Division I Wrestling Championship All-American
1996	USA Wrestling University National Champion
1994	USA Wrestling Espoir National Champion
1992	FILA Junior World Championships, 5 th Place

ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

Association of Classical Christian Schools
 Association of Christian Schools International
 Society for Classical Learning

RESEARCH INTEREST

Classical Christian Education

Educational Leadership
Change Management
Non-Profit Board Governance
Athletics as Education for Virtue
Virtue Ethics

PUBLICATIONS

Dernlan, T. (2021). *A Guide to Understanding Classical Christian Education: 100 Common Questions*. Philadelphia, PA. Titus Books. (Self-Published)

Dernlan, T. (2020). *Classical Christian Virtues: Contemplating the Good Life*. Philadelphia, PA. Titus Books. (Self-Published)

Dernlan, T. (2018). *Spiritual Formation in Christian Schools*. Philadelphia, PA. Titus Books. (Self-Published)

Dernlan, T. (2013). *Spiritual Formation: A Comparative Study of Modern and Classical Christian Schools*. (Electronic Dissertation). Retrieved from <https://etd.ohiolink.edu/>