

CCA welcomes new faculty, nears completion of auditorium/gymnasium

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Clinton Christian Academy (CCA) will be expanding some of its programs and has hired some new staff members for the fall. In addition, CCA will add an auditorium and gymnasium to its campus this school year. The addition is expected to be completed in September and will house school activities and provide additional needed space as the school continues to grow.

CCA, located at 101 West Northside Drive, will hold its Back to School Night/Meet the Teachers on Thursday, August 5, from 5 until 7 p.m. It will be a come-and-go event.

CCA will add a second K5 class this year and welcomes Melanie DeJong as the teacher. DeJong is a graduate of Our Lady of Holy Cross College in New Orleans, where she



Melanie DeJong

met her husband, Scott. They have one seven-year-old son named John Paul. DeJong has been teaching for twenty-eight years.

"I am so excited to join the CCA family as a kindergarten teacher!" said DeJong.

Coach Steve Tuttle is the new upper school math teacher and JV head football coach. He is a native of Vicksburg and graduated from Belhaven University. He has been teaching for twenty years. He lives in Brandon with his wife, Kristi, and their four children.

The new third grade teacher, Hanna



Coach Steve Tuttle



Hanna Phillips

Phillips, is newly graduated from William Carey University with her bachelors in education. She is married to CCA alumni Nate Phillips of Clinton. Phillips said she cannot wait to meet her new third graders and the first class to call her own.

Jonathan Hardy will also be joining the CCA faculty and coaching staff. He will be teaching a few history classes and be the head baseball coach. He graduated from Mississippi State University and currently lives in Madison with his wife, Mitzi.

Anna Marie Roberson will be the new fourth grade teacher at CCA. Roberson is an alum-



Jonathan Hardy



Anna Marie Roberson

nus of CCA and graduated from Mississippi State University. She has worked at Sunnybrook Children's Home, and this will be her first year teaching.

CCA also welcomes Lynn Green as the new high school English teacher. Green comes with much experience, having taught English at Northwest Rankin High School, Holmes Community College and Jackson Academy. Green graduated from Mississippi College and lives in Madison with her husband.



Lynn Green

CCA's Head of School is Dr. Philip Broome. Principal and athletic director is Josh Zeitz, and Natalie King is director of counseling and admissions. CCA is a K4-twelfth grade school and is accredited through SACS and MAIS.



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