

NAUTILUS

The Nautilus—the name for our newsletter, is the focal design element in The Clark Enersen Partners' logo. It represents a mathematical ratio that can be found in nature, as seen in the shell's structure. This ratio is closely related to the Fibonacci Sequence and is known as the Golden Ratio, which describes an intuitive, natural balance between two proportions. The external circular shape of the nautilus shell represents wholeness, but its continuous motion—an infinite spiral—empowers and inspires future growth and change. Internally, the cross-section depicts how all pieces seamlessly fit together in meaningful partnership. Collectively, as one, that's The Clark Enersen Partners. In everything we do, we strive to empower and inspire through partnership in thoughtful design.



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PK-12 SCHOOL DESIGN



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ELEVATING SCHOOL PRIDE & STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Improving education and our communities with better school design has been part of our mission since we were founded in 1946. During the past decade we have completed more than \$250 million worth of school construction. Through our partnerships with school districts and participation in continuing education activities, we are able to stay current with emerging innovations in school design that empower educators to teach in new and engaging ways, and inspire students to learn and achieve their goals. By collaborating with school stakeholders, we are able to share and vet ideas to discover what works and what doesn't work for each school district with the understanding that no two school districts are alike, and each deserve a customized design. As we hold true to this philosophy, our personalized and collaborative approach enables us to create environments that are tailored to fit each district's unique teaching methods and goals.

We are proud of our tailored approach and heritage, and find schools to be among the most rewarding work we do. On the adjacent panels, we share the following testimonials from some of our clients that illustrate how our partnership in school design makes a positive difference in the lives of many people, including the communities where they reside.

WEST HOLT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

"The Clark Enersen Partners has been a great partner in two districts where I have served as a superintendent. The first was West Holt Public Schools. We completed a \$7 million project and three smaller projects. The reason for the three additional projects were due to the first project and the impact on the community. We could not have anticipated the enrollment growth we received. Thus, it required us to have the other building additions.

Our new school did more than increase our enrollment, the culture of our building improved and had a direct impact on student achievement, along with activity involvement and success. It is my opinion that the whole community witnessed our "face lift" and homes began to be revitalized. So often perceptions of a school are based on the appearance of a building. The perception of West Holt changed in one year.

The Clark Enersen Partners understands education. I believe their expertise had a direct impact on our student learning and community perception of our school.

It is obvious that I am a strong believer in their design process. Thus is the reason of when I moved to a new district and when we had a building project, The Clark Enersen Partners was my first call."

Mr. Bill McAllister Former Superintendent, West Holt Public Schools Current Superintendent, West Point Public Schools

FREEMAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

"Our district was fortunate to have a project a few years ago with The Clark Enersen Partners. School projects create a wide array of positive outcomes for districts ranging from improved instructional space to more capability with technology, and greater climate control. These improvements can have a positive effect on students, staff, and the local community. Freeman has seen many positive outcomes as a result of our project that added a common area/lunch room, competition gym, concessions, locker rooms, and coaches rooms. The outcome of this project, which I want to focus on, is "pride." In the past few years I have seen an amazing amount of pride in our school community in regard to the addition to our campus made possible through the design efforts of The Clark Enersen Partners!

Pride is not something that can be manufactured, faked, or fabricated. Pride is an emotion that you see and feel; it's in the way people carry themselves, in the tone of their voice, and in their expression as they share their perspective of the venue they now enjoy. This venue has proven to impress our district and patrons regardless of the challenge we choose to engage in. Every event we have chosen to host has been supported through the design and construction of our new addition in excellent fashion. I want to take this opportunity to thank all who engaged in the process that helped to make this addition a reality on a job well done. There are some levels of public relations that must be shared experiences and shared pride in the completion of a vision that serves all the parties a core group set out to serve as they began a process. This is what Freeman Public Schools has had the privilege to experience through our addition."

Mr. Randy Page Superintendent Freeman Public Schools

LINCOLN CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

"We have had a wonderful relationship and experience with The Clark Enersen Partners during the past five years. The Clark Enersen Partners led us through an extensive master planning exercise for our 30-acre campus in 2014. Armed with this valuable information we were able to launch a \$7 million capital campaign in the spring of 2015. Improvements that The Clark Enersen Partners identified and designed on our campus include a state-of-the-art \$1.8 million Science & Technology Building, the Joan Robinson Amphitheater for \$500,000, a new football field, baseball field and practice field, parking lot addition, and multiple landscape enhancements. The Clark Enersen Partners' team has been a blessing to our school. They have also had a hand in bringing all of these projects in or under budget which is critical to a private school. Our administration especially likes that all the mechanical, electrical, architectural, and landscape expertise is in-house. These disciplines communicate and work well together for the best solution for our school.

Plans are currently underway to refurbish our existing classrooms, light our football field and add bleachers, and renovate our playground facilities. The Clark Enersen Partners will play a key role in each of these projects as we move forward based on the great outcomes we have already experienced. I would highly recommend The Clark Enersen Partners to any school looking to build or enhance their current facilities."

Mr. Mark Powell Director of Stewardship & Advancement Lincoln Christian Schools

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



ADAM KENTMechanical Engineering, Associate Principal

Q: WHO IS SOMEONE IMPORTANT THAT HAS IMPACTED YOUR LIFE?

A: My grandfather. He was always doing something. He was a hard worker and always willing to help others. I try to follow his lead and put the same effort into my work to get things done.

Q: WHAT IS YOUR CURRENT NETFLIX BINGE?

A: Stranger Things



ALLISON WONDER AIA, NCARB, LEED GREEN ASSOC.

Special Projects Coordinator

Q: HOW HAS THE FIRM IMPACTED YOU IN

A: The Clark Enersen Partners has offered me the opportunity for growth in the office and in the community. As part of the Foundations class, we were able to give back to the community by working with Veterans Community Project, a local non-profit, in creating tiny house communities to help eliminate veteran homelessness.

Q: FAVORITE PLACE TO VISIT/BEST VACATION?

A: I love the mountains! My favorite vacation has to be a road trip I took with a friend in college to tour several National Parks with stops at: The Great Sand Dunes, The Rocky Mountains, Grand Tetons, Yellowstone, Mt. Rushmore, and The Badlands.













