MISSION or PURPOSE STATEMENT

To develop lifelong leaders who influence and love others and pursue excellence in all areas of life by providing exceptional programs, services, and opportunities that are distinctively Christ-centered.

Our Commitment:
- Develop students into lifelong leaders.
- Develop the members of your team into lifelong leaders.
- The staff of the Student Life Programs is committed to developing you as a lifelong leader.

Our Expectations:
- Influence Others
- Love Others
- Pursue Excellence in all areas of life

Our Responsibilities:
- Exceptional Programs
- Exceptional Services
- Exceptional Opportunities

Our Goal:
- Distinctively Christ-centered.
- Gospel-centered
COMMON PURPOSE

Open to Change & Growth
Wrestle with Ideas & Concepts
Never Compromise the Important
Involve Others
Total Commitment

O - OPEN TO CHANGE & GROWTH

- Mentorship
  - II Timothy 2:2 – Get Mentored – Be a Mentor
    - “These things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”
  - Proverbs 27:17
    - “Iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.”

- Discipleship
  - Matthew 10:37-39
    - “He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. He who has found his life will lose it, and he who has lost his life for My sake will find it.”
W – WRESTLE WITH IDEAS & CONCEPTS

  - II Timothy 2:15
    - “Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth.”
  - “Forgive me for being so ordinary while claiming to know a so extraordinary God.” Jim Elliot
- What does the Bible say about what I am about to do?

N – NEVER COMPROMISE THE IMPORTANT

- What is the most important thing(s) in life?
  - Matthew 6:31-34
    - “Do not worry then, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear for clothing?’ For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. So do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will care for itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.”
  - “He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose.” Jim Elliot, October 18, 1949.

I – INVOLVE OTHERS

- Know and accept who God created you to be.
  - Psalms 139
- We are all a part of a team (God’s team)
  - I Corinthians 12
T — TOTAL COMMITMENT

- “Wherever you are, be all there! Live to the hilt every situation you believe to be the will of God.” Jim Elliot
- I Corinthians 10:31
  - “Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.”

CEDARVILLE COVENANT & CORE VALUES

CEDARVILLE COVENANT

At Cedarville, we are a community of believers accountable to one another, called to reflect the character of Jesus Christ and to be obedient to His Word. We will be faithful in our support of the local church and in our practice of spiritual disciplines. We will practice biblical principles of encouragement, exhortation, and reconciliation. We commit ourselves to integrity, kindness, purity, and self-control and to continual growth in scholarship, leadership, and service.

Therefore, as members of the Cedarville community, we regularly affirm our commitment to the Cedarville Covenant with this pledge: We will love God and others, live with integrity, and pursue excellence in all we do.

LOVE FOR GOD

The Cedarville Covenant begins with a promise to help one another become more like Christ. At Cedarville, we help students develop disciplines that support spiritual growth. Things like participation in meaningful worship experiences, life-changing ministry opportunities, and healthy forms of spiritual accountability help students grow spiritually. Jesus taught that the most important measures of spirituality are loving God and loving people. We demonstrate our commitment to being a Christ-centered community by taking this change seriously and living by the power of the Gospel every day.

Corporate worship through experiences like church, and chapel, and more private practices like personal Bible study and a healthy respect for the importance of the Sabbath, are among the things that Cedarville encourages that
help students express their love for God. These disciplines also shape our character, making us more like Jesus Christ.

- Scripture References:
  - John 21:15-22
  - II Corinthians 5:14
  - Ephesians 3:17-19

- Comments:
  - “Our response to God’s grace towards us should be a deep love for God, and this love is the first qualification for leadership.” J. Wood
  - Be more concerned with being a lover of Jesus Christ than being a leader of others. R. Turner

LOVE FOR OTHERS

God uses Christian community to encourage and shape our walk with Christ. One of the most valuable parts of your experience at Cedarville will be the lifelong friendships that start and grow while you are here. Members of the Cedarville community are encouraged to be people of refuge, ready to listen and quick to offer encouragement. As members of this community, we commit to love each other and to serve one another with humility and personal sacrifice. Sometimes this involves shared times of celebration. Other times it requires the courage to lovingly confront, rebuke, or correct another member of the community.

- Scripture References:
  - John 21:15-22

- Comments:
  - Loving others demonstrates our Love for God.
  - “Loving others authenticates the message of God.” M. Irving
INTEGRITY IN CONDUCT

The biblical definition of integrity involves having strong character and adhering to high moral principles. The book of Proverbs portrays integrity as an essential characteristic of an upright life. A person who walks with integrity is a person who habitually does the right thing. When Cedarville students pledge to live with integrity, it is a promise to be truthful and honest and to live up to the highest values of our community.

We emphasize the importance of honesty and truthfulness in all aspects of life at Cedarville. Integrity in conduct includes honoring the commitments we have made, being people of our word, submitting to the authorities in our lives, and obeying the laws of the land. We expect students to live with integrity and to honor their commitment to abide by the rules and guidelines of this community.

- Scripture References:
  - Proverbs 10:9
  - Psalms 41:11-12
  - I Peter 3:16

- Comments:
  - Integrity works! L. Reno
  - It takes a lifetime to develop your integrity but only a moment to destroy it.

EXCELLENCE IN EFFORT

One of the words used to describe life at Cedarville is the word rigorous. Our academic programs are challenging, and you will find many people here who are dedicated to helping you do your very best. We encourage students to make academics one of their very highest priorities.

After you have planned time into your schedule for academic study, there are many ways for you to get involved and have a rich college experience. Cedarville students recognize that excellence in effort is just as important to the aspects of college life that occur outside the classroom. We want our students to do their
best as ministry leaders, in community service, or in the roles they play in student organizations.

- Scripture References:
  - I Corinthians 15:58
  - Matthew 5:16
  - I Corinthians 11:1

- Comments:
  - Excellence in effort is hard work and it takes moral courage.
  - Excellence must be a default action.

TEAM APPROACH

* Taken from Patrick Lencioni ‘Five Dysfunctions of a Team’

- Keys to TEAM
  - Accountability and Attention to every detail.
  - Be Vulnerable and Believe the best in others.
  - Constant and effective communication.
LEADERSHIP

- Leadership Definition:
  - Leadership is the stewardship of one’s God-given gifts, abilities, and opportunities and seeking to influence and serve others.

- Leadership Key Words:
  - Stewardship
    - Scripture References:
      - Genesis 1:1
      - James 1:17
    - Comments:
      - Everything was created by and for God.
      - We are stewards of our God-given gifts, abilities, and opportunities.
      - Biblical stewardship is built upon the foundation that everything comes from God.
  - Influence
    - Scripture References:
      - I Corinthians 11:1
      - Matthew 5:16
    - Comments:
      - We are influenced by someone.
      - We all influence others.
      - Leadership is influence.
      - Biblical influence is built upon the foundation that God has influence over everything and we are called to imitate Christ.
  - Service
    - Scripture References:
      - John 13:3-15
    - Comments:
      - We are called to be servants of others.
      - Biblical service is built upon the sacrifice of Jesus Christ.
STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Student Life & Christian Ministry Division

- Cedarville graduates will understand the Gospel message of Jesus Christ, distinguish it from common misunderstandings, and live out its implications for all of life.
- Cedarville graduates will identify their spiritual giftedness and strengths and actively participate in the community and mission of their local church.
- Cedarville graduates will recognize the Bible as the revelation of God about Himself, demonstrate knowledge of the biblical text, and apply it to all facets of life.
- Cedarville graduates will desire to see the Gospel communicated to all peoples and participate by praying, giving, going and mobilizing.
- Cedarville graduates will know their strengths and weaknesses and will be servant leaders by living consistent lives, demonstrating competence, and earning an audience which produces influence in the lives of others.
- Cedarville graduates will develop disciplines that produce spiritual, emotional, physical, mental and relational health.
Student Life Programs & Leadership Development Office

- Cedarville students, as a result of a campus event, service or program, will see and experience Christ-centered community which will enhance their own commitment to be an active participant in Christ-centered community.
- Cedarville students will develop disciplines that produce spiritual, emotional, physical, mental and relational health.
- Cedarville students will be given opportunities for involvement on campus which will enhance their personal growth and development.
- Cedarville students will develop the ability to interrelate and establish meaningful relationships with others.

Student Life Programs Student Leadership Team

- Cedarville students, who are members of this team, will know their strengths and weaknesses and will be servant leaders by living consistent lives, demonstrating competence, and earning an audience which produces influence in the lives of others.
- Cedarville students, who are members of this team, will be able to influence, equip, empower and engage other students to be part of a team in order to accomplish specific roles, goals and objectives.
- Cedarville students, who are members of this team, will develop disciplines that produce spiritual, emotional, physical and mental and relational health.

Rinnova Coffee

- Cedarville students, who are members of the Rinnova staff, will be able to work as an effective member of a team.
- Cedarville students, who are members of the Rinnova staff, will develop personally and professionally in the areas of customer service and team work.
- Cedarville students, as a result of visiting Rinnova, will see and experience Christ-centered community which will enhance their own commitment to be an active participant in Christ-centered community.
Student Government Association & Student Groups/Organizations

- Cedarville students, who are members of this team, will gain knowledge and skills on how to represent the wants and needs of others.
- Cedarville students, who are members of this team, will be able to work as an effective member of a team.
- Cedarville students, who are members of this team, will be able to influence, equip, empower and engage other students to be part of a team in order to accomplish a specific roles, goals and objectives.
- Cedarville students, as a result of a campus event, service or program, will see and experience Christ-centered community which will enhance their own commitment to be an active participant in Christ-centered community.

Student Center Activity Board (SCAB)

- Cedarville students, who are members of this team, will gain knowledge and skills on how to plan, implement, promote and manage events and services.
- Cedarville students, who are members of this team, will be able to work as an effective member of a team.
- Cedarville students, who are members of this team, will develop personally and professionally in the areas of customer service, team work, financial accountability, and event and program management.
- Cedarville students, as a result of attending a campus event or program, will see and experience Christ-centered community which will enhance their own commitment to be an active participant in Christ-centered community.
STING

- Cedarville students, who are part of the planning team, will gain knowledge and skill on how to plan, implement, promote and manage an event and program.
- Cedarville students, who are part of the planning team, will develop personally and professionally in the areas of customer service, teamwork, event and program management.
- Cedarville students, as a result of attending a campus event or program, will see and experience Christ-centered community which will enhance their own commitment to be an active participant in Christ-centered community.

CU LEAD

- Cedarville students, who go through this program, will know their strengths and weaknesses and will be servant leaders by living consistent lives, demonstrating competence and earning an audience which produces influence in the lives of others.
- Cedarville students, who go through this program, will be able to define leadership as stewardship, influence and service.
- Cedarville students, who go through this program, will be given opportunities to develop and grow their leadership skills and resume.
Getting Started Program – Student Learning Outcomes

- Cedarville students will identify the key elements for academic success at Cedarville University.
- Cedarville students will identify and develop methods of beginning a healthy and smooth transition from high school to college.
- Cedarville students will be able to identify and understand the expectations and core values of Cedarville University.
- Cedarville students will be able to identify opportunities for involvement, discipleship, leadership, church participation, local ministries and missions and understand how these influence success at Cedarville University.
- Cedarville students will identify and explore campus resources and services.
- Cedarville students will learn how to establish and manage interpersonal peer relationships.
- Cedarville students will be able to navigate the physical and virtual campus environment.
- Cedarville students will be an active contributor to the Cedarville University community.

Parents

- Families of Cedarville students will identify the key elements for their student’s academic success.
- Families of Cedarville students will identify and develop methods of beginning a healthy and smooth transition from high school to college for their student.
- Families of Cedarville students will be able to identify and understand the expectations and core values of Cedarville University.
- Families of Cedarville students will identify and explore ways to stay connected to campus from a distance and positively encourage their student towards graduation.