



Christian Academy

Private School Saves Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars by Automating Its Maintenance Process

Christian Academy drastically cuts operating costs by automating its work order system with MaintenanceDirect

A growing trend across America is for our private, independent schools to become better facility stewards and to operate in a more technologically advanced manner that promotes efficiency and effectiveness. George Skeeters, director of facilities at Christian Academy, recognized the impact quality facilities have on student learning and how technology could provide budget savings for his maintenance and operations department. He began looking for an online solution that could fulfill his needs.

Christian Academy automated its work order process with SchoolDude's MaintenanceDirect, enabling requesters to submit work requests over the Internet and automating the process of routing requests for approval and completion. Requesters receive status updates on their requests from assignment to completion. This information is also available online through a personal request page where requesters can easily view their work order history and request status.

MaintenanceDirect's efficiency has greatly surpassed the school's old paper system, completing 2,344 work orders per year. It has also helped improve communication, while providing increased accountability and immediate cost savings. "Technicians can now look at work well in advance, check equipment history and schedule the next week's work by priority," said Skeeters. MaintenanceDirect eliminated missed work orders and can track the team's efficiency through comparative analysis. The reports also help Christian Academy identify repetitive problems.

Additionally, Christian Academy has implemented PMDirect, SchoolDude's preventive maintenance solution. PMDirect integrates with MaintenanceDirect, tracks preventive maintenance schedules and automatically generates work orders when they are due. The academy completed 491 preventive maintenance orders in 1 year.

Who they are

CLIENT: Christian Academy

LOCATION: Louisville, KY

SIZE: 3,000 students, 8 schools

SchoolDude products used

MaintenanceDirect

PMDirect

FSDirect

CommunityUse

UtilityDirect

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annually**