

## Joe Clement '12 Lends His Expertise to Day of Giving

There are many ways to support the Prep and Joe Clement has spent much of his summer helping his *alma mater*. Joe has been working with Joe Boyle '09, Manager of the Prep Fund, to create a series of videos for the Prep's annual Day of Giving.

"When I heard about the opportunity, I was really excited to help in any way I could," says Clement. He has worked with the 17th and Girard Student Filmmaking Club to produce these videos. "I wanted to have a chance to work with Prep students and knew that they could do some real quality work with just a little bit of guidance."

It is good return for Clement who credits the Prep for instilling in him a love for video. His first foray into this work was as a middle schooler, helping to create highlight videos for his brother David '06 on the Prep Football Team. While he also served as video coordinator for the basketball team under Coach Speedy Morris, Clement points to a project in Mr. Dino Pinto's World Religions Class that sparked him to think he might be able to make films for a living.

"I created a video called 'Walking by Faith,' in which a kid finds a wallet and has to decide what to do," Clement says. "Mr. Pinto told me that it was really good and said that he wanted to be my guest on the red carpet someday. That encouragement was really important."

Clement studied film at Penn State and has worked in the field ever since, taking the opportunity to make connections and learning every aspect he could. He now wants to help Prep students find their way and support the Prep, which means so much to him.

"Besides my parents, the Prep is the most important thing in the formation of my life," says Clement. "The values instilled in me there molded me, helped build my character. The Prep has encouraged me to pursue my goals and I learned how to work hard for what I want. I am always grateful for that."

