Cintas Corporation Announces Fiscal 2021 Fourth Quarter and Full Year Results

CINCINNATI, July 15, 2021 -- Cintas Corporation (Nasdaq: CTAS) today reported results for its fiscal 2021 fourth quarter ended May 31, 2021. Revenue for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2021 was \$1.84 billion compared to \$1.62 billion in last year's fourth quarter. Diluted earnings per share (EPS) were \$2.47 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2021, an increase of 83.0% from last year's fourth quarter diluted EPS of \$1.35.

The organic revenue growth rate for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2021, which is adjusted for the impacts of acquisitions, divestitures, foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations and differences in the number of workdays, was 11.5%. The organic revenue growth rate for the Uniform Rental and Facility Services reportable operating segment was 13.7%. Organic revenue for the First Aid and Safety Services reportable operating segment declined 6.8%.

Gross margin for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2021 was \$859.1 million compared to \$707.8 million in last year's fourth quarter. Gross margin as a percentage of revenue increased 310 basis points to 46.8% for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2021 compared to 43.7% in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020.

Operating income for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2021 of \$356.4 million increased 71.8% from last year's fourth quarter operating income of \$207.4 million. Operating income as a percentage of revenue increased 660 basis points to 19.4% in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2021 compared to 12.8% in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020. Fiscal 2020 fourth quarter operating income was affected by many items caused by the COVID-19 pandemic including incremental allowances for doubtful accounts, inventory reserves, employee-partner termination costs, asset impairment charges, and lower incentive compensation expense.

Net income from continuing operations was \$267.7 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2021, an increase of 85.2% from last year's fourth quarter net income from continuing operations of \$144.6 million. Fourth quarter of fiscal 2021 diluted EPS was \$2.47, an increase of 83.0% from last year's fourth quarter diluted EPS of \$1.35.

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2021 and our first quarter of fiscal 2022 to date, Cintas purchased \$979.0 million of Cintas common stock under its buyback program. On June 15, 2021, Cintas paid shareholders \$79.2 million in quarterly dividends in the aggregate.

For the fiscal year ended May 31, 2021, revenue was \$7.12 billion compared to \$7.09 billion for fiscal 2020. Diluted EPS for fiscal 2021 was \$10.24 compared to \$8.11 in fiscal 2020. For the fiscal year ended May 31, 2021, free cash flow, which is defined as net cash provided by operating activities less capital expenditures, was \$1.22 billion, an increase of 14.7% compared to the fiscal year ended May 31, 2020.

Todd M. Schneider, Cintas' President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "We are pleased with our fourth quarter financial results. They conclude a fiscal year of significant accomplishments. These include procuring hard-to-find and potentially lifesaving items such as facemasks and gloves, providing hygienically-cleaned healthcare scrubs and isolation gowns, and developing services including hand sanitizer dispensing and sanitizing spray services. Additionally, we improved shareholder returns by increasing the dollar amount of dividends paid and completing share repurchases. Finally, we issued our inaugural Environmental, Social and Governance, or ESG, report."

Mr. Schneider continued, "Our prospects for continued growth are great. Our value proposition is strong, and we have a vast total addressable market. Also, our continued investment in technology is a competitive advantage."

Mr. Schneider concluded, "For our fiscal 2022, we expect revenue to be in the range of \$7.53 billion to \$7.63 billion and diluted EPS to be in the range of \$10.35 to \$10.75. Please note the following regarding guidance:

- Our fiscal 2022 effective tax rate is expected to be in the range of 19.5% to 20.5% compared to a rate of 13.7% for fiscal 2021. The higher effective tax rate negatively impacts fiscal 2022 EPS guidance by about \$0.85 and diluted EPS growth by about 800 basis points;
- Guidance does not include any future share buybacks or potential tax reform; and
- We remain in a dynamic environment that can continue to change. Our guidance contemplates a steadily improving economy absent any economic or pandemic-related setbacks."

<u>Cintas</u>

Cintas Corporation helps more than one million businesses of all types and sizes get **Ready**[™] to open their doors with confidence every day by providing products and services that help keep their customers' facilities and employees clean, safe and looking their best. With offerings including uniforms, mats, mops, restroom supplies, first aid and safety products, fire extinguishers and testing, and safety training, Cintas helps customers get **Ready for** the Workday[®]. The Company is also the creator of the Total Clean Program[™] — a first-of-its-kind service that includes scheduled delivery of essential cleaning supplies, hygienically clean laundering, and sanitizing and disinfecting products and services. Headquartered in Cincinnati, Cintas is a publicly held Fortune 500 company traded over the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol CTAS and is a component of both the Standard & Poor's 500 Index and Nasdaq-100 Index.

Cintas will host a live webcast to review the fiscal 2021 fourth quarter results today at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Time. The webcast will be available to the public on Cintas' website at www.Cintas.com. A replay of the webcast will be available approximately two hours after the completion of the live call and will remain available for two weeks.

CAUTION CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor from civil litigation for forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements may be identified by words such as "estimates," "anticipates," "predicts," "projects," "plans," "expects," "intends," "target," "forecast," "believes," "seeks," "could," "should," "may" and "will" or the negative versions thereof and similar words, terms and expressions and by the context in which they are used. Such statements are based upon current expectations of Cintas and speak only as of the date made. You should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statement. We cannot guarantee that any forward-looking statement will be realized. These statements are subject to various risks, uncertainties, potentially inaccurate assumptions and other factors that could cause actual results to differ from those set forth in or implied by this Press Release. Factors that might cause such a difference include, but are not limited to, the possibility of greater than anticipated operating costs including energy and fuel costs; lower sales volumes; loss of customers due to outsourcing trends; the performance and costs of integration of acquisitions; fluctuations in costs of materials and labor including increased medical costs; costs and possible effects of union organizing activities; failure to comply with government regulations concerning employment discrimination, employee pay and benefits and employee health and safety; the effect on operations of exchange rate fluctuations, tariffs and other political, economic and regulatory risks; uncertainties regarding any existing or newly-discovered expenses and liabilities related to environmental compliance and remediation; the cost, results and ongoing assessment of internal controls for financial reporting; the effect of new accounting pronouncements; disruptions caused by the inaccessibility of computer systems data, including cybersecurity risks; the initiation or outcome of litigation, investigations or other proceedings; higher assumed sourcing or distribution costs of products; the disruption of operations from catastrophic or extraordinary events including viral pandemics such as the COVID-19 coronavirus; the amount and timing of repurchases of our common stock, if any; changes in federal and state tax and labor laws; and the reactions of competitors in terms of price and service. Cintas undertakes no obligation to publicly release any revisions to any forward-looking statements or to otherwise update any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information or to reflect events, circumstances or any other unanticipated developments arising after the date on which such statements are made. A further list and description of risks, uncertainties and other matters can be found in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended May 31, 2020 and in our reports on Forms 10-Q and 8-K. The risks and uncertainties described herein are not the only ones we may face. Additional risks and uncertainties presently not known to us, or that we currently believe to be immaterial, may also harm our business.

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Cintas Corporation Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheets (In thousands except per share data)

	May 31, 2021			May 31, 2020	
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	493,640	\$	145,402	
Accounts receivable, net		901,710		870,369	
Inventories, net		481,797		408,898	
Uniforms and other rental items in service		810,104		770,411	
Income taxes, current		22,282		—	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		133,776		114,619	
Total current assets		2,843,309		2,309,699	
Property and equipment, net		1,318,438		1,403,065	
Investments		274,616		214,847	
Goodwill		2,913,069		2,870,020	
Service contracts, net		408,445		451,529	
Operating lease right-of-use assets, net		168,532		159,967	
Other assets, net		310,414		260,758	
	\$	8,236,823	\$	7,669,885	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	230,786	\$	230,995	
Accrued compensation and related liabilities		241,469	•	127,417	
Accrued liabilities		518,910		456,653	
Income taxes, current		, 		27,099	
Operating lease liabilities, current		43,850		43,031	
Debt due within one year		899,070			
Total current liabilities		1,934,085		885,195	
Long-term liabilities:					
Debt due after one year		1,642,833		2,539,705	
Deferred income taxes		386,647		388,579	
Operating lease liabilities		130,774		122,695	
Accrued liabilities		454,637		498,509	
Total long-term liabilities		2,614,891		3,549,488	
Shareholders' equity:					
Preferred stock, no par value: 100,000 shares authorized, none outstanding		—		—	
Common stock, no par value: 425,000,000 shares authorized FY 2021: 189,071,185 issued and 104,061,391 outstanding FY 2020: 186,793,207 issued and 103,415,368 outstanding		1,417,343		1,102,689	
Paid-in capital		98,859		171,521	
Retained earnings		7,877,015		7,296,509	
Treasury stock: FY 2021: 85,009,794 shares FY 2020: 83,377,839 shares		(5,736,258)		(5,182,137)	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		30,888		(153,380)	
Total shareholders' equity		3,687,847		3,235,202	
	\$	8,236,823	\$	7,669,885	

Cintas Corporation Consolidated Condensed Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands)

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	(35,659)	12,773		
Accounts payable	102,600)	(110,248)		
	(2,604)	2,629		
Accrued compensation and related liabilities	113,769	(26,476)		
Accrued liabilities and other	(6,735)	49,906		
Income taxes, current	(49,150)	34,498		
let cash provided by operating activities 1,3	360,740	1,291,483		
sh flows from investing activities:				
pital expenditures (1	143,470)	(230,289)		
rchases of investments	(4,299)	(10,031)		
pceeds from sale of operating assets, net of cash disposed	31,705	13,300		
quisitions of businesses, net of cash acquired	(10,038)	(53,720)		
ner, net	(11,113)	(4,658)		
et cash used in investing activities (1	137,215)	(285,398)		
sh flows from financing activities:				
yments of commercial paper, net	—	(112,500)		
payment of debt	—	(200,000)		
ceeds from exercise of stock-based compensation awards	129,957	90,519		
vidends paid (4	451,327)	(267,956)		
purchase of common stock (5	554,121)	(464,518)		
ner, net	(4,377)	(752)		
let cash used in financing activities (8	879,868)	(955,207)		
ect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	4,581	(2,121)		
t increase in cash and cash equivalents	348,238	48,757		
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Cintas Corporation Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income (Unaudited) (In thousands except per share data)

	Three Months Ended						
		May 31, 2021		May 31, 2020	% Change		
Revenue:							
Uniform rental and facility services	\$	1,466,868	\$	1,270,970	15.4%		
Other		368,793		348,614	5.8%		
Total revenue		1,835,661		1,619,584	13.3%		
Costs and expenses:							
Cost of uniform rental and facility services		766,441		716,602	7.0%		
Cost of other		210,170		195,162	7.7%		
Selling and administrative expenses		502,604		500,386	0.4%		
Operating income		356,446		207,434	71.8%		
		(0.0)		(100)			
Interest income		(98)		(196)	(50.0)%		
Interest expense		24,551		25,952	(5.4)%		
Income before income taxes		331,993		181,678	82.7%		
Income taxes		64,271		37,093	73.3%		
Net income	\$	267,722	\$	144,585	85.2%		
Basic earnings per share	\$	2.53	\$	1.38	83.3%		
	¢	0.47	¢	1.05	02.00/		
Diluted earnings per share	\$	2.47	\$	1.35	83.0%		
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding		105,143		103,758			
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding		107,726		106,231			

Cintas Corporation Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income (In thousands except per share data)

	Twelve Months Ended					
		May 31, 2021		May 31, 2020	% Change	
Revenue:						
Uniform rental and facility services	\$	5,689,632	\$	5,643,494	0.8%	
Other		1,426,708		1,441,626	(1.0)%	
Total revenue		7,116,340		7,085,120	0.4%	
Costs and expenses:						
Cost of uniform rental and facility services		2,983,514		3,055,145	(2.3)%	
Cost of other		818,175		796,227	2.8%	
Selling and administrative expenses		1,929,159		2,071,052	(6.9)%	
Operating income		1,385,492		1,162,696	19.2%	
Interest income		(467)		(988)	(52.7)%	
Interest expense		98,210		105,393	(6.8)%	
Income before income taxes		1,287,749		1,058,291	21.7%	
Income taxes		176,781		181,931	(2.8)%	
Income from continuing operations		1,110,968		876,360	26.8%	
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax		—		(323)	(100.0)%	
Net income	\$	1,110,968	\$	876,037	26.8%	
Basic earnings per share:						
Continuing operations	\$	10.52	\$	8.36	25.8%	
Discontinued operations		0.00		0.00	—%	
Basic earnings per share	\$	10.52	\$	8.36	25.8%	
Diluted earnings per share:						
Continuing operations	\$	10.24	\$	8.11	26.3%	
Discontinued operations		0.00		0.00	—%	
Diluted earnings per share	\$	10.24	\$	8.11	26.3%	
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding		104,874		103,816		
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding		107,707		107,012		

CINTAS CORPORATION SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

Gross Margin and Net Income Margin Results

	Three Mor	nths Ended
	May 31, 2021	May 31, 2020
Uniform rental and facility services gross margin	47.7%	43.6%
Other gross margin	43.0%	44.0%
Total gross margin	46.8%	43.7%
Net income margin	14.6%	8.9%

	Twelve Mo	nths Ended
	May 31, 2021	May 31, 2020
Uniform rental and facility services gross margin	47.6%	45.9%
Other gross margin	42.7%	44.8%
Total gross margin	46.6%	45.6%
Net income margin, continuing operations	15.6%	12.4%

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Regulation G Disclosure

The press release contains non-GAAP financial measures within the meaning of Regulation G promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission. To supplement its consolidated condensed financial statements presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the Company provides the additional non-GAAP financial measures of cash flow and workday adjusted revenue growth. The Company believes that these non-GAAP financial measures are appropriate to enhance understanding of its past performance as well as prospects for future performance. A reconciliation of the differences between these non-GAAP financial measures with the most directly comparable financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP are shown in the tables within the narrative of the press release or below.

Computation of Free Cash Flow

	Twelve Months Ended				
		May 31, 2021		May 31, 2020	
Net cash provided by operations	\$	1,360,740	\$	1,291,483	
Capital expenditures	(143,470) (230,2			(230,289)	
Free cash flow	\$	1,217,270	\$	1,061,194	

Management uses free cash flow to assess the financial performance of the Company. Management believes that free cash flow is useful to investors because it relates the operating cash flow of the Company to the capital that is spent to continue, improve and grow business operations.

Computation of Growth on a Constant Workday Basis

	Three Months Ended					Twelve Months Ended						
		May 31, 2021		May 31, 2020	Growth %	May 31, 2021			May 31, 2020	Growth %		
		А		В	G		I		J	0		
Revenue	\$	1,835,661	\$	1,619,584	13.3%	\$	7,116,340	\$	7,085,120	0.4%		
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		С		D			К		L			
Workdays in the period		66		65			261		260			
		Е		F	Н		М		Ν	Р		
Workday adjusted revenue growth	\$	1,807,848	\$	1,619,584	11.6%	\$	7,089,074	\$	7,085,120	0.1%		
		E=(A/C)*D		F=(B/D)*D	H=(E-F)/F		M=(I/K)*L		N=(J/L)*L	P=(M-N)/N		
Acquisition, divestitures and foreign currency												
exchange impact, net					(0.1)%					0.1%		
Organic growth					11.5%					0.2%		

Management believes that organic revenue growth is valuable to investors because it reflects the revenue performance compared to a prior period with the same number of revenue generating days and excludes the impact from acquisitions, divestitures and foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations.

SUPPLEMENTAL SEGMENT DATA

		iform Rental and Facility Services	а	First Aid Ind Safety Services		All Other		Corporate		Total
For the three months ended May 31, 2021										
Revenue	\$	1,466,868	\$	186,917	\$	181,876	\$	—	\$	1,835,661
Gross margin	\$	700,427	\$	80,294	\$	78,329	\$	—	\$	859,050
Selling and administrative expenses	\$	388,627	\$	64,964	\$	49,013	\$	—	\$	502,604
Interest income	\$	—	\$	—	\$	—	\$	(98)	\$	(98)
Interest expense	\$	_	\$	_	\$	—	\$	24,551	\$	24,551
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$	311,800	\$	15,330	\$	29,316	\$	(24,453)	\$	331,993
For the three months ended May 31,202	20									
Revenue	\$	1,270,970	\$	196,270	\$	152,344	\$		\$	1,619,584
Gross margin	\$	554,368	\$	90,389	\$	63,063	\$	_	\$	707,820
Selling and administrative expenses	\$	376,809	\$	57,599	\$	65,978	\$	_	\$	500,386
Interest income	\$		\$	_	\$		\$	(196)	\$	(196)
Interest expense	\$		\$	_	\$		\$	25,952	\$	25,952
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$	177,559	\$	32,790	\$	(2,915)	\$	(25,756)	\$	181,678
For the twelve months ended May 31,	2021	1								
Revenue	\$	5,689,632	\$	784,291	\$	642,417	\$		\$	7,116,340
Gross margin	¢ \$	2,706,118	\$	332,336	\$	276,197	¢ \$	_		3,314,651
Selling and administrative expenses	¢ \$	1,480,278	\$	251,153	\$	197,728	\$	_	↓ \$	1,929,159
Interest income	¢ \$	1,400,270	\$	201,100	\$		¢ \$		\$	(467)
Interest expense	¢ \$		\$		\$		\$	98,210	↓ \$	98,210
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$	1,225,840	\$	81,183	\$	78,469	\$	(97,743)		1,287,749
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For the twelve months ended May 31, 2	020									
Revenue	\$	5,643,494	\$	708,569	\$	733,057	\$	—	\$	7,085,120
Gross margin	\$	2,588,349	\$	338,661	\$	306,738	\$		\$	3,233,748
Selling and administrative expenses	\$	1,583,791	\$	231,769	\$	255,492	\$	_	\$	2,071,052
Interest income	\$	—	\$	—	\$	—	\$	(988)	\$	(988)
Interest expense	\$		\$		\$		\$	105,393	\$	105,393
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$	1,004,558	\$	106,892	\$	51,246	\$	(104,405)	\$	1,058,291