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Statement of Faith

1. The Holy Scriptures are verbally inspired of God and are our only infallible rule of faith and practice.
2. There is only one God eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
3. Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary and is true God and man.
4. Whoever by faith, apart from works of any kind, receives the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour is “born from above” (born again) and thereby becomes a child of God “created in Christ Jesus to do good works.”
5. The Holy Spirit lives in the believer and enables him to walk in purity of life and submission to the will of God.

Philosophy of Christian Education

The responsibility to train children has been given by God, first and foremost to parents. Parents carefully consider how best to meet the needs of each unique child to attempt to bring each one to his/her full potential.

A Christian School is unique in its relationship with parents, acting as a supplement to the Christian home. Since the school is an extension of the parent’s convictions, we present our philosophy of education for your consideration and understanding.

The Foundation of a Christian Education

The foundation of a Christian education is the belief that truth is absolute. Truth is then the basis on which the integration of faith and learning must build. “*What is truth?*” For the Christian, answers are found in God; He is truth. He is willing to communicate that truth and has done so in three ways:

- i. General Revelation – The World of God in which we live and the laws of God that regulate the sustenance of life.
- ii. Incarnate Revelation – The living Word of God, “the Word became flesh we beheld His glory full of grace and truth.”
- iii. Special Revelation – The written Word of God, the Bible. The word is truth and this revelation has been preserved by God for centuries.

God's truth is best communicated through Christian Education with the following elements:

- i. It begins with parents who believe education should be Bible centered and God centered.
"Parents, do not exasperate your children: Instead bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord." Ephesians 6:4
- ii. A curriculum that is based in God's Word as truth, viewing the world and ourselves from His perspective.
"Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it." Proverbs 22:6
- iii. It requires teachers who daily model the life of Jesus Christ in their actions and teach biblical principles throughout the curriculum.
- iv. A child's peer group should be a positive and Christ-like influence.
- v. A church family that is united with the parents and school completes the child's environment and represents a harmony of Christ-like training. This is the way children grow to be transformers of our society.
"You are the salt of the earth...you are the light of the world." Matthew 5:13,14.

These basis truths from God's Word form the foundation on which to educate our children. Only Christ-centered education gives true wisdom, for *"In Christ are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge."* Colossians 2:3.

Goals of Christian Education

PREAMBLE: We believe that education is not complete without the moral and spiritual development of the student.

1. **ACADEMIC:** We believe that the child's education must meet or surpass the standards as set forth by the British Columbia Ministry of Education.
2. **SPIRITUAL:** We believe that Christian teachers using quality curriculum with a Biblical perspective will produce students with an appreciation of discipline and authority, an understanding of moral values and a true knowledge of God.
3. **PHYSICAL:** Our goal is to provide a well-rounded physical education program that includes gymnasium activities, as well as selected outdoor sports and skills.
4. **EMOTIONAL:** We seek to provide a classroom and school atmosphere, which is conducive to healthy teacher-student relationships, and maintain an environment where students are safe and eager and able to learn.
5. **MORAL:** We seek to integrate Biblical morality into the entire school environment.
6. **SOCIAL/INTERPERSONAL:** We seek to train students in the knowledge and skills of kind and respectful behaviour and communication.