

# The Pines Christian School

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## Statement of Faith

THE PINES CHRISTIAN SCHOOL is operated in accordance with the Christian principles that are revealed in the Holy Bible. These principles have been summarized in this Statement of Faith and are integrated into every aspect of our academic instruction, child / staff relationships, and are used as a guide for our ethical and moral standards for behavior and business practices. Every child who attends THE PINES CHRISTIAN SCHOOL will be taught these principles.

1. We believe that the Holy Bible is the written Word of God, divinely inspired through many authors. We believe that, as it was originally written, it is the supreme authority in matters of faith and practice for all true Christians everywhere.
2. We believe that God is triune-one and eternal, existing in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Man has been created in His image and that all creation and providence reveal His existence and presence to mankind.
3. We believe that Jesus, the Christ, is God manifested in the flesh, and born of a virgin. He lived an earthly life in perfect harmony with the Father and by suffering and dying on the cross, he provided the only way that man can be reconciled to God. We believe that Jesus was crucified, died, was buried, arose bodily from the grave on the third day, was seen by many witnesses, ascended to the right hand of the Father, and is coming to earth again with great power and glory.
4. We believe that it is only through God's grace and our faith in the redemptive and restorative power of Jesus, the Christ, that we gain access to eternal life and avoid the consequences of our selfishness and rebellion against Him. We believe that we can achieve true peace and joy in our earthly existence only when we live our life in complete harmony with the goals and objectives of God.
5. We believe that is the God given responsibility of the parents to educate their children. This education must include the basic tenets of traditional Christianity, a Bible based system of ethics and morals, the academic skills necessary for economic survival in modern America, and the social graces required for civilized interaction with others in our society. The parents, through the agency of the church and / or school, indirectly employ teachers who are qualified educationally, spiritually and morally to assist them in the fulfillment of their responsibilities.
6. We believe that no truth exists apart from God's truth. In as much as all education presupposes a search for truth, all true education begins with the acknowledgment of the Sovereignty of God, the perception that both logic and nature are God's unique creation, and that history is and has always been the story of man's relationship with God and his fellowmen. Christianity is not "added on"; it is the very fabric of true education.
7. We believe that all true believers are one in Christ. Although we recognize the existence of denominational distinctive, it is not the position of THE SCHOOL to teach any one set of distinctives to the exclusion of others. It is the goal of THE SCHOOL to concentrate upon the essential elements of the faith, which all Christians traditionally hold in common, leaving the indoctrination of the student into a particular denominational position to the individual family and their church.

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_