

DEVON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PARENT COVENANT

We recognize not every student benefits from our school, nor does the school benefit from every student. However, when the goals of the family match the goals of the school, it is a very successful and rewarding experience for both. Therefore, we ask all parents and students to determine whether or not their goals match those of the school before enrolling each year and indicate their commitment by signing the Student Covenant and the Parent Covenant. If, by their actions and attitudes shown, a family's or student's goals do not match that of the school, they may be asked to withdraw from this school.

Due to the fact that the education of children is a joint commitment between parents and the school, the following is expected from all parents whose children attend DCS.

With God's help I will STRIVE to do my best in the following areas: (Please initial only if in agreement)

- _____ I will support the school through prayer.
- _____ I accept and will uphold the Statement of Faith of Devon Christian School and desire the school to work with us in the education of our child(ren).
- _____ I will strive to support and reinforce the school's expectations as described in the Handbook with our child(ren).
- _____ I will support the authority and discipline issued by Devon Christian School staff. I understand that disagreeing with staff discipline may happen, however I will not undermine the authority of the staff when discussing the discipline with my child(ren).
- _____ I will practice the principle found in Matthew 18, resolving any difficulties with school personnel directly. If the conflict is unresolved, I/we will discuss the matter with the next person in authority. The line of authority is as follows: teacher, principal, and the Board.
- _____ I will diligently encourage my child(ren) to follow the Student Covenant. I understand that if my child breaks this covenant, it may be grounds for removal from the school.
- _____ I will ensure that my child(ren) will participate fully and respectfully in all aspects of school life, including the school's daily devotions, Bible studies, Chapel and Community Outreaches as well as after school functions.
- _____ I will ensure that my child(ren) regularly attend(s) school and arrive at school on time.
- _____ I will ensure that planners are signed daily, field trip forms are returned promptly, and progress reports and infractions forms are reviewed, signed and returned.
- _____ I will ensure that my child(ren) establish positive home study routines.
- _____ I will regularly attend functions requiring our participation.
- _____ I hereby pledge to pay my financial obligations to the school.
- _____ I understand that tuition does not cover the full costs of educating my child(ren) and will seek to support the school through various fundraising activities.
- _____ I will support the school in maintaining a high standard of Christian conduct for its students. I acknowledge that should my child(ren)'s behaviour, while under the supervision of school personnel, become incompatible with the standards of Devon Christian School, normal disciplinary procedure applies. However, depending upon the severity of the infraction, it may be considered grounds for suspension or expulsion.
- _____ I acknowledge the position of the school is that student behaviour at all times and in all places reflects on his/her parents, Devon Christian School, and the much broader cause of Christianity.
- _____ I understand that when information about out-of-school unacceptable behaviour (by Biblical standards) occurs and is freely discussed at school by students, it will be considered an area of school responsibility.
- _____ I understand that according to "in loco parentis" the staff is acting on my behalf while my child is under the staff supervision.

I have read this Parental Covenant and agree to abide by it and to support it to the best of my ability.

Father/Guardian Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mother/Guardian Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____