

Staff Covenant

With God's help we will strive to do our best in the following areas:

- To model a consistent daily walk with Jesus Christ in speech, actions, and attitude.
- To teach the Bible as God's inspired Word and develop attitudes of love and respect toward it.
- To pray daily for and with students.
- To show by example the importance of the Word of God, prayer, fellowship, and Christian service.
- To develop a desire to know and obey the will of God daily.
- To develop the 'mind of Christ' toward godliness and sin, and to teach the student how to live an overcoming life through exercising of self-restraint and consideration of others.
- To encourage the development of self-discipline and responsibility in the student based on respect for the submission to God and God ordained authority.
- To participate respectfully in the school's daily devotionals, Bible study, chapel, community outreaches and after school functions.
- To integrate Christian faith into the learning environment of Devon Christian School and operate within the context of the curriculum and school activities as described in the mission statement.
- To help students understand God's love for them, to motivate them to accept His gift of salvation, and to help them grow in their faith.
- To build a strong caring community of outward focused individuals with strong inward character.
- To encourage each student to develop an active Christian faith and realize his/her full potential through leadership exploration, participation in practical service projects and investigation of his/her personal faith journey.
- To follow the Matthew 18 principle in dealing with students, parents, administration, and staff.
- To ensure staff is committed to collaborative learning and ongoing professional growth in Christian Education.
- To teach the student to treat everyone with love and respect since others too are made in God's image.
- To promote high academic standards within the potential of the individual as uniquely created by God and to help the student realize his full academic potential.
- To plan a program of study that, as much as possible, meets the individual needs, interests, and abilities of the students, while fulfilling the requirements of the curriculum.
- To teach and support the use of good study habits.
- To carefully prepare daily teaching assignments using a variety of teaching methods to reach the whole child: spiritual, mental, physical, social, and emotional.

- To encourage the student to pursue independent study in the areas of personal interest.
- To develop creative and critical thinking and the proper use of biblical criteria for evaluation.
- To integrate Biblical principles and the Christian philosophy of education throughout the curriculum.
- To promote good citizenship through developing the understanding and appreciation of our Christian and Canadian heritage of responsible freedom, human dignity, and acceptance of authority.
- To produce an understanding and appreciation for God's world and awareness of man's role in his environment, and to use and preserve it properly.
- To regularly evaluate and report on pupil progress according to the policy and procedures established by the school.
- To keep accurate attendance records including absences and lates and report them to the office as required.
- To maintain a clean, attractive, well-organized classroom.
- To maintain proper discipline in the classroom, on the school premises, or during off campus activities in accordance with the discipline policy.
- To maintain consistency in expectations of student's behaviour and discipline of student misbehaviour.
- To supervise extra-curricular activities as assigned.
- To recognize that parents have the primary responsibility before God for their children's education and to assist them in that task, but will deal with situations outside school that are discussed openly by students at school.
- To cooperate closely and communicate with the parents in every phase of the student's development especially as it relates to the school program.
- To inform parents about school activities and welcome their involvement in the life of the school.