

THUNDER BAY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

Our Basis and Principles

- The Bible** The basis of the Thunder Bay Christian School is the Word of God, manifest in creation, incarnate in Jesus Christ, and inscripturated in the Bible as it is confessed to be God's Word in the Reformed Creedal Standards. The Scriptures renew our understanding of God, ourselves, others and the world, directs our relationship and activities and guides us in the education of our children.
- Creation** Children must come to learn that the world and their calling in it can rightly be understood only in relation to the triune God.
- Sin** Sin alienates us from God, our neighbor, and the world, distorts our view of the true meaning and purpose of life, and misdirects human culture.
- Jesus** Through Jesus Christ there is a renewal of our educational enterprise because He is the Redeemer of, and the Light and the Way for, our human life in all its range and variety. Schools - The purpose of Christian Schools is to educate children for a life of obedience to their call in the world as image-bearers of God. This calling is to know God's Word and His creation, to consecrate the whole of human life to God, to love their fellowman, and to be stewards of their God-given cultural task.
- Parents** The primary responsibility for education rests upon parents to whom children are entrusted by God.
- Teachers** Christian teachers, in cooperation with parents, have a unique pedagogical responsibility in obedience to God while educating the child in school.
- Students** Christian school must take into account the variety of abilities, needs and responsibilities of young persons.
- Community** Because God's covenant embraces not only parents and their children, but also the whole Christian community to which they belong, it is the obligation of the Christian community to establish and maintain Christian schools, to pray for, work for, and give generously to their support.
- Education** Christian schools, organized and administered in accordance with legitimate standards
- Freedom** and provision for the day schools, should be fully recognized in society as free to function according to these principles.

Membership

Full membership includes the privilege of voting (husband/male and wife/female having together one vote), participating in the Society's activities on behalf of the school and being eligible to serve on the Board of Directors and the following administrative Committees of the Board: Executive; Human Resource/Program; Finance; Promotion and Membership; Contract Partnership; Affordable Christian Education (ACE); Admissions; High School; Transportation; Maintenance. For members having children attending the school, the membership dues are included in the tuition fees.

Our Purpose

It is the purpose of Thunder Bay Christian School to provide a sound academic education integrated with a Christian view of God and the world. While the school remains basically interdenominational, the instructional program is specifically based on the infallible Word of God and the doctrinal standards of the Reformed faith.

Our Philosophy

The educational program and the methods of instruction in Thunder Bay Christian School are dependent on a Biblical philosophy to provide the viewpoint, general background truth, and principles of interpreting the facts encountered in the study of our subject. We understand that the concepts of a Christian educational philosophy are these:

1. God is the Creator and Sustainer of all things, and the source of all truth.
2. God has revealed Himself in a general way in His world and universe and in a specific way in the Bible.
3. The home, the church, and the school should complement each other, promoting the student's spiritual, academic, social and physical growth.
4. The teacher stands in the place of the parent.
5. God has given differing abilities to each student. It is the teacher's responsibility to challenge each child according to his ability and to seek to teach him at his academic level.
6. The Christian is not to be conformed to the world but must recognize his responsibility and his role in life in our democratic society.
7. The student's home, church, and school experience and training should be a preparation for life; a life of fellowship with God and service to man.

Consent *Please read "I" for "we" if applicable.*

1. We have read the above and understand the purpose and philosophy of Thunder Bay Christian School, and we desire such a Christian educational program for our children.
2. We have read the Statement of Basis and Principles of the Thunder Bay Christian School Society.
3. We understand and agree that our child(ren) shall be educated in a manner consistent with the beliefs and objectives of the Thunder Bay Christian School Society.
4. We agree that our child(ren) is/are to abide by the standards for behaviour set by the administration of the school, and where problems develop, we will be informed.
5. In making application for my child(ren) to attend Thunder Bay Christian School, I agree to support the school in:
 - a. Its maintenance of high moral and spiritual standards.
 - b. Its rules and regulations as established.
 - c. Its school programs and projects.
 - d. The kind and measure of discipline taken to insure good order and a proper learning environment.
6. We agree to pay the tuition fee as set annually by the Board of Directors and approved by the membership of the Thunder Bay Christian School Society. The fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30.
7. We agree that, if at any time we are unable to pay the tuition fee as required, we will notify one of the members of the Board of Directors.
8. Termination of student enrollment shall be determined by and subject to the policies of the Board of Directors in the following areas:
 - a) disciplinary action recommended by the Principal
 - b) default of financial obligations,
 - c) non-availability of appropriate program for child
9. We promise to support the Society's cause to the best of our ability, prayerfully, financially, and physically.

Parent Signature(s): _____ **Date:** _____
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