



Halifax Christian Academy



Statement of Faith, Foundational Principles, Our Vision, Mission, Core Values, and Our Commitment

Statement of Faith

We believe the Bible is God's Word written by men, divinely inspired and is the final authority on all matters of life. 2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:21

We believe God created the universe and that man was created in the image of God apart from any process of evolution. Genesis 1:1; Exodus 20:11; Colossians 1:16-17

We believe in the Trinity - one God eternally existing in three equal Persons – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19; John 10:30; John 14:16-17

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, fully God and fully man. Jesus lived a sinless life and died on the cross for our sins and bodily rose again from the dead and ascended into heaven.
Matthew 1:18; 1 Corinthians 15:4; 1 Timothy 2:5

We believe all men and women are born sinners and separated from God. We believe salvation is not by works but only by the Grace of God through Faith in His Son Jesus Christ, who offers us forgiveness of sin and eternal life. Ephesians 2:8; Romans 3:24; Romans 6:23

We believe in a bodily resurrection for both believers in Jesus and nonbelievers. We believe that believers in Jesus will spend eternity in a literal heaven and those who do not believe in Jesus will spend eternity in a literal hell. Matthew 25:46; Revelation 20:12-15

We believe that Jesus will return fulfilling the promise He made.
John 14:1-3; 1 Thessalonians 4:15- 15:11

We believe that the local church is the visible expression of Jesus' life in the world. The participation of believers in the work of the local church is an essential part of the Christian life.
Acts 2:41-42; Colossians 1:18

Background

Halifax Christian Academy is a not-for-profit organization that has been established for the primary purpose of building a school population of those persons supportive of Christian principles and committed to strengthening, rather than challenging, historic biblical Christian beliefs in a secular (pluralistic) society.

Foundational Principles

All members of the Board, Administration and Staff of Halifax Christian Academy believe the Bible is the inspired, written Word of God, and without error in all its teachings. Because of our understanding of the Old and New Testaments, our school teaches these Core Family Values:

1. That we love others with the love of Christ, making it unacceptable for Christians to teach hatred against any group or individual.
2. That human life begins at conception and that an unborn child at any stage of development is a human being and should be treated as such.
3. That sexual intimacy is only morally acceptable within a marriage relationship.
4. That premarital or extramarital sexual intimacy - heterosexual or homosexual - including but not limited to intercourse, is morally wrong.
5. That marriage is an exclusively heterosexual institution between one woman and one man.
6. That every effort must be made between members of the body of Christ to resolve disputes in accordance with the principles outlined in the gospel of Matthew, chapter 18, verses 15 through 17.
7. That in order to maintain a proper and honouring witness, gossip is unacceptable in any form within a Christian setting. The Oxford Dictionary defines gossip as “casual or unconstrained conversation or reports about other people, typically involving details that are not confirmed as true.”

Vision

We believe that God’s Vision for HCA is “transforming lives through dynamic Christ-centered education and discipleship”.

Mission

We are committed to our Mission of “equipping students to develop a love for learning and an unshakeable faith“, and “we glorify Jesus by creating a community that positively impacts others through our service.”

Core Values

Further, we progress towards our Vision and Mission, while adhering to our fundamental, non-negotiable core values (accountability, balance, biblical truth, communication, diligence, excellence, integrity, and love).

Our Commitment

We adhere to and strive to continually improve our alignment to our Vision, Mission, and our Core Values.

In order for Halifax Christian Academy to be successful in fulfilling its Vision and Mission, it is essential for staff and parents to be committed to be diligent, working together in unity. Parents and HCA are partnering to jointly teach and reinforce these beliefs both at school through discipleship efforts within HCA and at home through parent-led activities which strengthen the students’ faith, biblical knowledge, and spiritual discipline.

Discipleship is a culture at HCA which permeates all that we do, including but not limited to, Bible classes, mission, chapel, mentoring programs, small group studies biblical integration throughout the academic curriculum, discipline and general interaction with the students.