

# VERITAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

## STATEMENT OF FAITH

Veritas Christian Academy (VCA) was founded upon, and operates according to, the fundamental principles of the Bible. It espouses the Biblical Worldview of life as presented in the Bible. We hold the following statements of faith and practice to be true:

- ▶ The Bible is the inherent word of God and the source of all truth. Therefore, we keep the Bible at the heart of our curriculum.
- ▶ There is one God who has personally revealed Himself to man through His Son, Jesus Christ. All truth is found in Jesus Christ, so true education must be based upon Him.
- ▶ Parents are responsible, before God, for the proper education of their children. Therefore, parents and teachers work together to reinforce Christian values.
- ▶ Integration of the Word of God into all subject matter is the key to having a Christian school.
- ▶ As students develop a perspective of life based on Biblical principles, they are encouraged to make a personal commitment to follow Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and to be baptized as an outward profession of their faith.

## ADMISSIONS POLICIES

It is the policy of Veritas Christian Academy not to discriminate based on the applicant's disability, race, color, sex, national or ethnic origin. We reserve the right to select students based on academic performance, religious commitment, and personal qualifications, including a willingness to cooperate with the staff and administration of Veritas Christian Academy.

Students seeking admission will be evaluated based on their transcripts, admission questionnaire, interview, and their ability to perform satisfactorily at Veritas Christian Academy. Students with less than a "C" average in their academic subjects may have difficulty attaining a satisfactory level of academic achievement. VCA strives to meet all children's educational needs. However, we are limited in outside support for children with special learning needs. It is the intention of VCA to work with each student on an individual basis to meet their educational needs. However, a complete partnership between home and school is required for every student's success.

The student must have a sincere desire to attend Veritas Christian Academy and be willing to submit to all the standards and regulations of the school. The student must be respectful to his/her peers, staff, and faculty.

Attendance at Veritas Christian Academy is a privilege, not a right. No student will be admitted directly following suspension or expulsion from another school. Students will strive to do their best in all areas. Veritas Christian Academy is not a refuge for students who will not cooperate, have had previous behavioral problems in other schools, or who will not apply themselves to the best of their academic abilities. All new students will be subject to a one-month probationary period for academic and behavioral evaluation.

## PARENT HANDBOOK

All policies and procedures for conduct by students and parents are stated clearly in Veritas Christian Academy's Parent Handbook. Upon initial enrollment and re-enrollment every year thereafter, the Parent Handbook is given to each family. It is the responsibility of the parent to read the handbook in its entirety and seek clarification if needed. Veritas Christian Academy will not go over every policy in the Parent Handbook with any individual. Understanding and compliance is the sole responsibility of the parent.

It is also understood each parent will explain the VCA conduct requirements to their child(ren). It is assumed that every parent and child have complete understanding and are in complete agreement with the policies and procedures in the VCA Parent Handbook

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Father's/Guardian's Signature

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Mother's/Guardian's Signature

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# PARENT PLEDGE OF SUPPORT

1. **ACADEMICS:** We agree to encourage, support, and help our child in homework, memorization, projects, and study habits.
2. **ENROLLMENT:** We agree and understand that enrollment in Veritas Christian Academy is a privilege, not a right. We further understand that continued enrollment and re-enrollment of our child is dependent on our support of the school, its staff, and its policies.
3. **CONDUCT:** We agree and understand that, due to the standards of Veritas Christian Academy, our community will not tolerate profanity or obscenity by word or action, or disrespect to students, parents, and personnel of the school.
4. **DAMAGES:** We agree to replace or pay for any damages caused by our child.
5. **DISCIPLINE:** The school shall have authority to discipline our child (in accordance with applicable California State laws), and we will require our child to comply with all school regulations. We further agree that we will cooperate and discipline our child in the home as needed. We understand if our child persists in unacceptable conduct he/she will not be permitted to remain in school.
6. **FINANCES:** We have read the financial policy and agree to meet all financial obligations promptly.
7. **GRIEVANCES:** We will endeavor to communicate our grievances honestly and directly to those involved and when resolved to forget them quickly. We agree not to pursue outside reparation against other Christians, the school nor the church. Matthew 18:15-17 gives a formula for settling of disputes: First privately, then with the Program Director, then the Superintendent, then with the School Board President. The same holds true in principle for the school staff.
8. **GOSSIP:** We agree to refrain from listening to and spreading gossip whether done verbally or in social media and online forums. Furthermore, we agree to confront those who do engage in gossip. We understand that continued participation in gossip could ultimately lead to the dismissal of our child from Veritas Christian Academy.
9. **LIABILITY:** We release the school from any and all liability, while our child is under school care and responsibility.
10. **PHOTOS:** We hereby authorize agents of Veritas Christian Academy to photograph our child while under its care and agree they may use the negatives or prints thereby acquired for such purposes and in such manner as may be deemed desirable for the support and promotion of Veritas Christian Academy.
11. **PLACEMENT:** The school has full discretion in the placement and promotion of students.

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# Veritas Christian Academy

## Student Expectations

We expect our students to conduct themselves in a Christ-like manner and our discipline style is one of love and understanding for each individual situation. Students and/or families who do not submit to the rules and regulations of VCA and/or who do not show respect to VCA, its staff, or other families, will be dismissed from Veritas Christian Academy. Any student who intentionally endangers the safety or well-being of a fellow student or staff member is subject to immediate dismissal from our program. Parents will most often be asked to become directly involved in handling the problem, except for extreme cases. Children are learning to make responsible choices and oversee themselves. We believe in providing consistent, understandable limits and our teachers respond to inappropriate behavior with insight, sensitivity and skill.

*Jesus answered: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind"; and "Love your neighbor as yourself"* Luke 10:27

It is expected all students will:

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible

Student's may not:

- Hurt or endanger themselves
- Hurt or endanger others
- Damage property

If a student chooses not to follow the above expectation of our school, the following disciplinary actions will be taken:

1. **REDIRECTION:** Reminding the students of the rules and expectations. If they choose to abide by them they are expected to resume the activity in an appropriate manner or get connected in a different activity or social situation, away from conflict and possible harm.
2. **REFOCUS:** If the student chooses not to abide by the rules they will either shadow the teacher or take time by themselves away from the other students and activity in question until they show they are ready to re-enter the activity in an appropriate manner. This may include loss of break time, garbage patrol, or other age appropriate consequences.
3. **REMOVED FROM ACTIVITY:** If the redirection and time taken by the student does not help them gain control of themselves, they will be removed from the classroom or activity to talk with the Program Director or Superintendent. When appropriate, an incident report will be sent home.
4. **PARENT CONFERENCE:** If the behavior continues, a parent conference will be required, a behavior plan will be implemented, and outside assessment may be required.
5. **RESTITUTION:** In the event of property damage the student will be expected to replace or restore the damaged property at the cost of the family.
6. **DISMISSAL:** If the behavior continues after the parent conference, dismissal will take place with no advanced notice and will be at the Superintendent's discretion.

I agree to abide by the rules and expectations of Veritas Christian Academy and understand the consequences if I choose otherwise.

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Student's Name

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Grade

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Student's Signature

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Date

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Mother's/Guardian's Signature

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Date

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Father's/Guardian's Signature

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Date

# Medical Treatment Consent

In the event our child becomes ill or sustains an injury while under the care of Veritas Christian Academy we give our permission to those in charge to take whatever steps deemed necessary for the health and welfare of our child. If it is not possible to reach the doctor listed, consent is given to any licensed physician to administer drugs or medicines, and/or perform such surgical procedures as he/she shall think the emergency requires for the relief of pain and to preserve our child's life or health. We hereby agree to pay for all the expenses incurred by such illness or injury.

In accordance with Health and Safety regulations CCC sections 101126, 101173, and FCCH section 102417 Veritas Christian Academy agrees to provide Incidental Medical Services (IMS) to its students for the following conditions.

- Blood-Glucose Monitoring
- Administering inhaled medications
- EpiPen Jr. and EpiPen
- Glucagon Administration
- Gastrostomy tube: G-Tube
- Prescribed and over the counter medications

All medications (i.e. prescription medications, over the counter medications, lotions/ointments, chap stick, cough drops, etc.) will be stored in a locked container either in the preschool student's classroom bathroom for preschool students or in the school office for elementary and middle school students. Parents will complete an IMS instruction form prior to the first service given. All medications must be administered in accordance with the pharmacy or manufactures label.

All prescription medications must be in original containers from the pharmacy. All over the counter medications must be in original containers. Homeopathic ointments must be in sealed containers and a list of ingredients must be kept with the ointment.

## Release of Liability

For valuable consideration, and to induce permission to attend Veritas Christian Academy of Napa, California, the undersigned parent(s) or guardian(s) of \_\_\_\_\_, on behalf of the undersigned and on behalf of the child/student, agrees as follows:

The undersigned acknowledges that children can be pushed by other children, whether in recess or in the classroom or on the school campus. The undersigned acknowledges that a child/student can be inattentive or other children can be inattentive causing injuries to one or the other. The undersigned understands that bad decision making by other students or the undersigned's own child/student or inattentiveness of children in the school can result in personal injury to the undersigned's child/student. The undersigned understands this is not a complete description of all risks that can occur when a child is in school, and that other unknown or unforeseeable hazards and risks of harm may occur. With this in mind, the undersigned fully accepts that personal injury can occur while on school campus and as a result the undersigned hereby releases and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Veritas Christian Academy, its officers, insurers, employees, agents, instructors, teachers and staff (hereinafter collectively referred to as "parties released") from and against any liability, demand, claim or right of action for any damage or injury to the undersigned's child/student even if such damage or personal injury results from the negligence of Veritas Christian Academy or other parties released.

THE UNDERSIGNED FURTHER COVENANTS NOT TO SUE OR MAKE ANY DEMAND OR CLAIM AGAINST VERITAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY OR OTHER PARTIES RELEASED, FOR OR BY REASON OF ANY SUCH DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY TO THE UNDERSIGNED'S CHILD/STUDENT WHILE IN ATTENDANCE AT VERITAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY.

The undersigned is the parent or guardian of the aforesaid minor child and makes these representations and agrees to the terms of the assumption of risks, release, covenant not to sue, and indemnification agreement on behalf of each minor as set forth above, as well as the undersigned, and the undersigned agrees to assume responsibility. The undersigned further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Veritas Christian Academy and any other parties released from and against any demand, claim, right of action or suit that may be brought on behalf of any such minor arising from the minor's attendance at Veritas Christian Academy.

The undersigned understands that the undersigned's child/student may attend off-school field trips and assumes the risks of said child's/student's participation in such events. If the undersigned chooses not to permit the child/student to participate in a field trip activity, the child/student will be expected to remain home and will be given an alternative assignment.

The undersigned acknowledges that the undersigned will not seek Veritas Christian Academy held liable in the event of any accident, injury, or death because of the undersigned's child's/student's participation in a field trip. This release of liability includes accident, injury, loss, damages to the child/student, as well as to any individuals or property which may result from the child's/student's participation in the event. The undersigned hereby releases and agrees to hold harmless Veritas Christian Academy, its officials, agents, and/or employees from any claims arising out of the undersigned's child's/student's participation in the event.

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Parent/Guardian's Signature

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Date

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