Parma Heights Christian Academy

Mission Statement, School Philosophy and Objectives



MISSION STATEMENT

In partnership with the family and church, our mission is to provide each child with a biblical foundation for life that promotes Christ-like character, scholastic excellence and faithful service to others.

SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY

SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY ABOUT GOD

- God has given us His Word, the Bible, the record of God's revelation of Himself to humanity. Il Timothy 3:16
- God wishes to bring His people into a saving relationship with Himself and lead them to Christian maturity. *John 20:31, John 5:9-12*
- There is one living and true God, perfect in wisdom, sovereignty, holiness, justice, mercy and love. I Timothy 1:17, Psalm 86:15 Deuteronomy 32:3-4
- God exists eternally in three co-equal persons who act together in creation, providence and redemption. Genesis 1:26; I Peter 1:2, Hebrews 1:1-3

SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY ABOUT MAN

- Man was created in God's own image to have fellowship with Him and to be a steward over His creation. *Genesis 1:26-28*
- Man is born with a sinful nature and needs to be reconciled to God. Romans 3:9-18, 23
- Man is personally responsible to God for his thoughts, actions and beliefs and has the right to approach Him directly through Jesus Christ, the only mediator. *Romans 14:12, I Timothy 2:5*

SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY ABOUT EDUCATION

- Education must point men to God and to His redeeming power, and make clear the gospel of Jesus Christ. The Word of God must be fully integrated into the curriculum by teachers who sense a call from God and model faithfulness and dependence on Christ. *Ephesians 2:8-10, Romans 3:21-28, Colossians 3:12-17*
- Education in God's truth is primarily the responsibility of the parent. Parents need to take an active part in the education process and support the school and its policies. *Deuteronomy 4:9, Proverbs 22:6, Deuteronomy 6:11-19*
- Education should reinforce and support the church in its challenge to bring people to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. *Hebrews 10:23-25, Acts 2:42*
- Education should address the total scope of man's being, i.e. spiritual, intellectual, social and physical. Luke 2:40,52, Proverbs 2:26

WITH GOD AND HIS WORD AS THE FOCUS, CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ADDRESSES MAN'S:

SPIRITUAL BEING

... By teaching the Bible as the inspired Word of God and leading each student to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. *John 17:17, II Timothy 3:16-17, II Peter 1:20-21*

INTELLECTUAL BEING

... By assisting students to reach their full potential and training them in reasoning, logic and righteousness. *Romans 12:1-2. Mark 12:28-34*

SOCIAL BEING

... By encouraging a commitment and devotion to family and church and promoting positive citizenship, self-responsibility and a sound work ethic. *Hebrews 10:23-25, 13:17, Ephesians 6:1-4, Romans 13:1-7*

PHYSICAL BEING

... By instilling good health habits, physical discipline and the wise use of his body as the temple of the Holy Spirit. *I Timothy 4:6-11, I Corinthians 6:12*

PHCA SCHOOL OBJECTIVES

We believe each student has God given capacities for growing spiritually, intellectually, socially and physically. Our prime objective is to provide an atmosphere in which each student may reach his or her potential in all areas. We strive to fulfill the following:

SPIRITUAL GROWTH OBJECTIVES Romans 10:9-10, II Timothy 3:16-17, Hebrews 10:23-25

- Teach the basic principles of the Christian faith by teaching the Bible as the Word of God, a source of doctrine and a guide for daily living.
- Encourage each to come to a personal, saving relationship of Jesus Christ honoring Him as Lord and Savior, seeking to know and do His will.
- Encourage a pattern of regular worship and service in a Bible-believing church.
- Model those character qualities found in our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Foster self-discipline based upon a deep respect and devotion to God and all authority.
- Prepare students for a life committed to serving Christ both at home and around the world.

INTELLECTUAL GROWTH OBJECTIVES Proverbs 1:2-7, Proverbs 2:10-12, Colossians 1:16-17

- Teach academic skills necessary for effective comprehension, communication and computation.
- Provide a versatile, challenging curriculum which will furnish a thorough preparation for future study and career sufficiency.
- Inspire an appreciation and responsiveness to the beauty in the arts.
- Assist each student to recognize in every area of study the revelation of God in creation and the Holy Scriptures.
- Promote high scholastic standards which stimulate higher-level thinking skills based on a biblical worldview.
- Instill an understanding and appreciation of the principles and values upon which this country was founded and the importance of their preservation.
- Instill and encourage the formation of good work/study habits and methods of research.
- Utilize existing technology to enhance one's knowledge of the world.

SOCIAL GROWTH OBJECTIVES Mark 12:31, Romans 13:1-7, Ephesians 4:32

- Encourage an individual sense of self-worth and realization that each one is a special creation of God and a recipient of His love.
- Foster the establishment of interpersonal relationships through an acceptance of one another while helping each to understand and respect the viewpoints of others.
- Instill a respect for authority, love of country, patriotism and citizenship so each student will assume his/her rightful responsibility to family, church, community and country.
- Impart a biblical view of life, work and leisure time.

PHYSICAL GROWTH OBJECTIVES Proverbs 3:7-8, Luke 2:52, I Corinthians 6:19-20

- Promote a program of healthful living and physical fitness.
- Help each student acquire coordination skills to make skillful use of his/her body as the temple of God.
- Encourage good sportsmanship in physical education activities and athletic events.