

## Statement of Parental Responsibilities

Each parent should be able to clearly articulate faith in the person and work of Jesus Christ, and regularly attend a Bible-believing, local church congregation. However, under certain circumstances, a family may be admitted with only one parent being a Christian. If a family is a single parent family, the testimony of the parent with whom the student resides will be sufficient for enrollment. It is the philosophy of Grace Academy that we exist to be an extension of the Christian home. Both parents must have read and signed Grace Academy's **Statement of Faith**.

I have read the school's **Statement of Faith** and the **Parent-Student Handbook**. It is my desire to have my child trained in accordance with these principles and I will do my best to reinforce and model these principles in my home.

I agree to promote the philosophy of Christian education through a spirit of love and cooperation. **I agree that I will not participate in destructive criticism of the faculty or staff to my children or others.** If a problem arises, I will go directly to the person involved and address the matter in a loving and open manner. If we are unable to resolve our differences, we will address the matter to the next highest person within the school administration until a satisfactory resolution is reached.

I understand that this school relies on parent cooperation and involvement. This may include participating in parent prayer groups, "work days," assisting the teacher in the classroom, reading stories to the children, field trips, light manual labor and/or housekeeping. I will work with the school to determine how I can help meet the school's needs and I will advise the school of any talent, skill or expertise I have that might benefit the school.

I will support and cooperate in "read aloud" time in my home several times a week to share literature as a family and develop a love of learning.

I will provide a quiet time and place for my child to do homework each day.

I understand that if I am offered and accept enrollment at Grace Academy, I will be responsible for the full year's tuition for my child(ren) whether or not they complete the full year. I agree to comply with the policies and procedures of the FACTS Tuition Management Services (a tuition collection agency used by private schools nationwide) or pay my tuition in full by May 1 of the preceding school year. I pledge to pay my financial obligation to Grace Academy.

I have read *An Introduction to Classical Education* by Dr. Christopher Perrin. I have also read all the statements in this admission application. **Please note that the admission interview will not be scheduled until both parents have completed this required reading.** When time permits, I will read the essay *The Lost Tools of Learning* by Dorothy Sayers or *The Case for Classical Christian Education* by Douglas Wilson.

I agree to waive, release, indemnify and/or hold harmless the Grace Academy Board of Directors and employees from any claim that may arise out of injury to my child or any member of my family. I intend for this agreement to apply to all situations and circumstances, whether at school or during off-premises school-related activities, and whether caused by me or by the negligent or intentional conduct of my child, another student, another parent, a Grace Academy board member or employee, or any other person.

I agree that any dispute or claim that I have against the Grace Academy Board of Directors and employees (other than addressed above) will be resolved by biblically based mediation. In other words, I will not file suit or commence any legal action against the school without first making a good faith attempt to settle the dispute/claim with a trained mediator. I agree to share equally in the cost of such mediation should it become necessary.