

Parent Covenant 2011/2012

We recognize that not every student benefits from our school, nor does the school benefit from every student; however, when the goals of the family match the goals of the school, it is a very successful and rewarding experience for both. We ask all parents and students, each year, to determine whether or not their goals match those of the school before enrolling. Please indicate your commitment by signing this Parent Covenant and ask your children to read and sign the Student Covenant on the reverse. If, by actions or attitudes shown, a family's or student's goals do not match that of the school, they may be asked to withdraw from this community.

Because the education of children is a joint commitment between parents and the school, the following is expected from all parents whose children attend Heritage Christian Academy.

With God's help I will do my best to do the following:

1. I will ensure that my child(ren) regularly attend(s) school and arrive at school on time.
2. I will ensure that my lifestyle is in line with the expectations in the Student Covenant and I will diligently encourage my child(ren) to follow the Student Covenant.
3. I will practice the principle found in Matthew 18 where I am asked to resolve any difficulties with school personnel directly. If the conflict is unresolved, I will discuss the matter with the next person in authority. Generally, the line of authority is as follows: teacher, assistant principal, principal, and HCESC board.
4. I will support the school in maintaining a high standard of Christian conduct for its students. I acknowledge that should my child(ren)'s behaviour, while under the supervision of school personnel, become incompatible with the standards of Heritage Christian Academy, it may be considered grounds for suspension or expulsion. No attempt will be made by the school to usurp my responsibility for the discipline of my child(ren); however, when information regarding unacceptable out-of-school behaviour is freely discussed at school by students, it will be considered an area of school responsibility. After careful investigation to verify the facts, subsequent disciplinary action will be expected. I acknowledge the position of the school, which is that student behaviour at all times and in all places reflects on his/her parents, Heritage Christian Academy, and the much broader cause of Christianity.
5. If my child(ren) is/are expelled from Heritage Christian Academy, I understand that the alternative program that the school will provide is a Distance Learning Home Education Program.
6. I fully agree with the Statement of Faith of Heritage Christian Academy and desire the school to work with me in the education of my child(ren).
7. I will regularly attend functions requiring parent participation. I will cooperate, where possible, in fund-raising and work projects, and will regularly uphold Heritage Christian Academy in prayer.
8. I am in regular attendance at a Christian Church. Name of Church: _____

I have read this Parental Covenant and agree to abide by it and to support it to the best of my ability.

Father/Guardian Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mother/Guardian Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Covenant 2011/2012

This covenant is for students in Grades 6 to 12. These standards are not meant to be a legalistic definition of right and wrong, but practical examples of your commitment to the school community and the essential behaviors and attitudes necessary to fulfill our mission statement. This covenant has been created so that all students at Heritage Christian Academy will be aware of the school's expectations. No attempt will be made by the school to replace a parent's responsibility for discipline; however, when information regarding unacceptable out-of-school behaviour is freely discussed at school, it will be considered an area of school responsibility and subsequent disciplinary action can be expected.

With God's help I will do my best to do the following:

1. I will strive to follow the will of God for my life and to exemplify Christ-like character through daily personal prayer and consistent study of the Word of God, and through faithful group worship both at school and at church. (Matthew 7: 7-11; James 1:5; 1 Peter 1:13-16; John 7:17; Ephesians 5:1-2; Colossians 4:2; 1 Thessalonians 5:17; 2 Timothy 2:15; Hebrews 10:25; Galatians 4:7).
2. I will yield my personality to the healing and molding power of the Holy Spirit. (Jeremiah 18:5-6; John 16:7-14; Romans 8:5-13; 2 Corinthians 5:17).
3. I will strive to faithfully give heed to the call of Christ to discipleship in my life and develop the gifts and abilities God has given me. (1 John 2:20; 1 Corinthians 12:4-31; Romans 8:28-30; Romans 12:3-8; 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Galatians 5:13-14; 1 Peter 1:15).
4. I will seek to share the love of Christ practically through personal witness and specific ministry on a regular basis in an area of Christian service. (Matthew 28:18-20; John 15:17; Acts 1:8; James 1:26-27; 1 Corinthians 9:22).
5. I will acknowledge the need to preserve my language for words that uplift and encourage the peers and adults in my life. (Matthew 12:36, 37; Proverbs 18:8; Ephesians 4:29 & 5:4; Psalm 19:14; 34:13).
6. I will not lie, cheat, steal, plagiarize, or break copyright, nor tolerate those actions. I will also encourage my peers in following this policy. (Psalm 15:1-3; Leviticus 6:1-5; Exodus 20:15-16; 1 Corinthians 6:8; Ephesians 4:25-28; Colossians 3:9; 1 John 2:21).
7. I will refrain from the use of tobacco, and from substance abuse including alcohol intoxication and/or the illegal use of drugs. I will also refrain from a lifestyle of sexual immorality (pre-marital sex, homosexual behaviour, viewing of pornography, etc.). I further understand that any violations of the above may result in expulsion from Heritage. This applies at all times and in all places (whether at school or not) as long as I am a student of Heritage Christian Academy. (1 Corinthians 6:9-11, 13, 18-20; Galatians 5:16-26; Mark 7:20-23; Romans 6:13; Ephesians 5:3; 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8; Hebrews 13:4).
8. I will avoid the appearance of evil and use discernment in my choice of clothing and entertainment; including television, movies, music, live productions and social dancing. (1 Thessalonians 5:22; Proverbs 4:27; Romans 12:9; 1 Corinthians 10:31; Hebrews 5:14; 3 John 11).
9. I will regularly attend school and do my best to arrive at school on time so as not to miss class devotions nor disturb other students by entering late.
10. I will respect the property of the school and my fellow students.
11. I will faithfully complete my assignments, adequately prepare for tests, and be attentive in class.
12. I will practice the principle found in Matthew 18 where I am asked to resolve conflicts with the individuals involved rather than discussing the issues with others.
13. I will support the school in maintaining a high standard of Christian conduct for its students. Should my behavior, while under the supervision of the school personnel, become incompatible with the standards of Heritage, it will be considered grounds for suspension or expulsion. I understand that my behaviour at all times and in all places reflects on my parents, Heritage, and the much broader cause of Christianity.

Student #1: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____
Student #2: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____
Student #3: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____