

PASTORAL RECOMMENDATION

Student(s) Name _____

Dear Pastor,

It is the goal of Northside Christian School to support and reinforce the home as well as the local church throughout the Christian education process of each student. In keeping with this philosophy we request a pastoral recommendation in order to determine if our school ministry would in any way be a source of discord between the church and this family. Please read our statement of faith below and then prayerfully consider your recommendation and submit any additional comments and/or information you feel would be helpful in making a determination regarding acceptance. Please complete this form and return directly to the school office.

One of the requirements for admission is that the family must be actively and regularly involved in a conservative, evangelistic, Bible-believing church.

Statement of Faith

The school, as a ministry of Calvary Bible Church, abides by the doctrinal statement of the church, as found in its Constitution and Covenant, a summarized statement of which includes:

- We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament in their original autographs to be the divinely inspired Word of God and our only rule for the Christian faith. (II Tim 3:16,17; II Peter 1:20,21)
- We believe in one God, eternally existing in Three Persons. God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit are co-eternal in being, co-identical in nature, co-equal in power and glory, and possessing the same attributes and perfections. (Deut. 6:4; II Cor. 13:14)
- We believe that God the Son, by the medium of the Virgin Birth, became flesh in the person of Jesus Christ in order that He might die on the cross bearing our sins as a vicarious, substitutionary sacrifice. (John 1:1, 2, 14; Luke 1:35; Rom. 2:24, 25; I Pet. 2:24)
- We believe that Jesus Christ was raised from the grave in the body of His crucifixion, ascended to God the Father, and will return for His people according to His Promise. (I Pet. 1:3-5; Acts 1:9, 10; Rom. 8:34; I Thess. 4:13-18)
- We believe that salvation is to be received by the sinner as a free gift, which cannot be earned, and that when a person has truly received Christ he is then kept by God's power and is thus secure in Christ. (Eph. 2:8-10; John 1:12; Eph. 1:7; John 6:37; John 10:27-30)
- We believe that all who have received Christ should live in such a manner as not to bring reproach upon their Saviour and Lord and that separation from all religious apostasy, all worldly and sinful pleasures, practices and associations is commanded by God. (II Tim. 3:1-5; Rom. 12:1,2; I John 2:15-17; II John 9-11; II Cor. 6:14-7:1)

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1. Do you as the pastor of the church agree with this Statement of Faith? ☐ Yes ☐ No
2. How long have you known the family? _____
3. How active is this family in your church? _____

Attends	Every Week	3x month	2x month	1x month	Rarely
Sunday School					
A.M. Service					
P.M. Service					
Midweek					

4. List any other ministries in which the family is involved. _____
5. How would you evaluate the parents in the following areas:
 - Do they give evidence of personal salvation? _____
 - Do they command respect and obedience from their children? _____
 - Do the parents demonstrate a strong interest in the spiritual development of the child? _____
6. How would you evaluate the student in the following areas:
 - Does the student give evidence of personal salvation? _____
 - Does the student demonstrate respect and obedience toward authority? _____
 - Does the student participate regularly in the youth group program at your church? _____
 - Which of the following best describes the student's attitude and participation?
 - ☐ Seldom participates
 - ☐ Is cooperative and usually participates
 - ☐ Enthusiastically participates
7. Based on the knowledge you have of the student and family, would you consider them to be compatible with a Christian school environment? _____
8. Additional comments: _____

YOUR NAME: _____

Position: _____

Church Name: _____

Address & Phone # _____

Please return completed form to:

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