## ARTHUR CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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## **Arthur Christian School Statement of Faith**

## We believe in:

1. The inspiration of the Bible, equal in all parts and without error in its origin. (Jeremiah 10:10, 2 Timothy 3:16, John 17:14)

2. The one God, eternally existent Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who created man by a direct immediate act. (2 Corinthians 13:14, Genesis 1:27)

- 3. The pre-existence, incarnation, virgin birth, sinless life, miracles, substitutionary death, bodily resurrection, Ascension to Heaven and the visible second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. (John 17:5, Romans 8:3, John 1:14, Matthew 1:18-25, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Mark 4:35-41, Mark 9:14-29, John 9:1-41, John 6:1-14, 1 Peter 2:21-25, 1 Corinthians 15:3-4, Acts 1:9-12)
- 4. The fall of man, the need of regeneration by the operation of the Holy Spirit on the basis of grace alone, and the bodily resurrection of all to life or damnation. (Genesis 3:1-24, Titus 3:5, John 5:24-25, Matthew 25:41)
- 5. The spiritual relationship of all believers in the Lord Jesus Christ living a life of righteous works, separated from the world, witnesses of His saving grace through the ministry of the Holy Spirit. (James 2:14-26, Romans 12:2, Titus 3:4-7)
- 6. The Church as a called body of believers-an "ekklesia"-picked out chosen, or called out of the world's system, and therefore of necessity, distinct and separate, from the State. (John 18:36, 1 Peter 2:9, 2 Corinthians 6:17)
- 7. The Sovereignty of God over both the Church and the State, assigning to each her own distinctive functions.
  - 7.1. The State "is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil." Romans 13:4b. This is God's sovereign right reserved unto Himself, distinctly apart from the role of the Church. (Romans 12:19, Proverbs 21:1, Daniel 4:17, 25 & 32)
  - 7.2. The Church, by contrast is called to practice under any and all circumstances a way of love (Matthew 5:38-48) to which the State cannot attain. (2 Corinthians 10:3-4, I Peter 3:9, 2 Timothy 2:24)
- 8. Due respect, honor, prayer support to civil authorities at all times, and conscientious obedience to all laws that do not conflict with God's order for the Church. (1 Timothy 2:2)
- 9. God created mankind in His image: male (man) and female (woman), sexually different but with equal personal dignity. (Genesis 1:26-28, Romans 1:26-32, 1 Corinthians 6:9-11)
- 10. God created and ordered human sexuality to the permanent, exclusive, comprehensive, and conjugal "one flesh" union of man and woman, intrinsically ordered to procreation and biological family, and in furtherance of the moral, spiritual, and public good of binding father, mother, and child. (Genesis 1:27, Genesis 2:24, Matthew 19:4-6, Mark 10:5-9, Romans 1:26-27, 1 Corinthians 6:9-11, Ephesians 5:25-27, Revelation 19:7-9, Revelation 21:2)

## NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATORY POLICY

We do not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, nationality or ethnic origin. We do reserve the right to deny admission or employment to any individual who cannot benefit from enrollment based on past academic achievement, or whose personal life is not in harmony with the stated philosophy and purpose of Arthur Christian School.

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