



# Statement of Cooperation

## Home Education

Tampa Christian Community School is a Parent-Teacher based classroom and home education program. Students attend school two - three days a week and are taught at home the days not in class. Parents accept the responsibility for teaching their child(ren) according to teacher directed lesson plans on home education days beyond the teacher-assigned work, with guidance, if needed. The Parent-Teacher relationship is based on trust and mutual desire to honor the Lord Jesus Christ in education with the students.

## Moral & Spiritual Training

TCCS believes that parents are primarily and personally responsible for the moral and spiritual training of their child(ren) as a matter of stewardship before God and that parents are responsible to actively pursue the moral training of their child(ren) at home. In addition, TCCS accepts the responsibility to support and reinforce the moral training being taught at home. At TCCS, parents enter into a trust relationship between their family and the school regarding the moral training of their child(ren) by completing a school-approved Biblical parenting course, which provides a standard that is as consistent at school as at home. Parents agree to submit a certificate of completion prior to the start of their child(ren)'s first school year. TCCS recognizes that families are at different levels of moral and spiritual maturity, therefore, TCCS encourages acceptance of these differences without judgment. Weekly church attendance is required for all TCCS families.

## Parent Partner Days

The Parent Partner program is essential to TCCS's success. Participating in the classroom familiarizes parents with the teacher's methods and strategies, and offers the opportunity to know your child's classmates. On Parent Partner Days, parents arrive 15 minutes before the start of school and stay 20 minutes after school in order to best help the classroom teachers. Parents accept the responsibility to serve on a rotation for each child's class and to find their own replacement if unable to come on a scheduled day.

## Community Meetings

Community Meetings are also essential to the success of TCCS. This forum provides the opportunity for bringing together the entire school (parents, teachers and staff) at one time, as a community, to share and exchange information about TCCS and individual classes. Parents accept responsibility for attending the scheduled Community Meetings, unless otherwise stated. Missed meetings will result in an infraction.

## Curriculum and Supplies

Parents accept responsibility for purchasing all curriculum for their child(ren)'s education. Supply boxes, to be used and kept at school, will be provided for each student. Parents will receive a curriculum list from the school in May and should purchase material by June 1st. During summer, parents accept the responsibility to familiarize themselves with the curriculum. It is recommended that new families work with their child(ren) prior to the beginning of the school year.

## Parent Orientation

Parents accept the responsibility to attend meetings during the week of Parent Orientation in August. Parent Orientation meetings help parents learn school wide procedures, individual teacher expectations, as well as about the curriculum for each grade level. This helps them to be informed and prepared for a successful start in the new school year. Middle and high school students may be required to attend part of Parent Orientation. Missing a Parent Orientation meeting will result in an infraction.

## Financial Responsibility

Parents accept the responsibility to meet their financial obligations to TCCS for each school year as described and as signed in the Financial Agreement, understanding that tuition payments begin June 1st. The financial commitment by each family is critical for the operation of the school and meeting its budget. Corporate fiscal responsibility is built on each family's standard of personal stewardship.

### Fundraisers

All families accept responsibility to participate in TCCS's fundraisers throughout the year. Fundraisers help keep tuition at an affordable rate and help to meet the needs of TCCS's budget. TCCS strives to minimize the number and types of fundraisers in order to provide a fair and equitable contribution by each family (funds, service or both).

### Attendance and Tardiness

Parents agree to call TCCS to report an absence and to notify teachers in advance for planned absences. Attendance is taken each day and students must arrive to school on time. Tardiness is a disruption to the entire class and is dishonoring to both teachers and other students. Students are responsible for making up school lessons and assignments at home. Tardiness and absences will be recorded and reflected on report cards. Parents accept the responsibility to arrive early or on time to pick up their child. A prompt dismissal is important to honor the teachers' time and respect for after school meetings.

### Communication

Communication is essential to any healthy partnership. TCCS utilizes daily communication folders and thorough lesson plans to communicate on a regular basis. In addition, Parent Orientation and Community Meetings are a core part of establishing the partnership and communication. If any concerns should arise, parents agree to use the following resolution process: 1) Parents should contact the teacher first and clearly specify the issue(s) and establish an agreed upon resolution and/or plan. 2) If the issue is not resolved, then parents should contact the Administration and/or set up an appointment to discuss the issue(s). 3) If necessary, the Administration will meet with both the parents and teacher. 4) If the issue(s) still cannot be resolved, then the Administration will present the issue(s) to the TCCS Board for recommendations and/or final resolution that is in the best interest of the School Community, Family and Student.