



**Dear Parents/Guardians:**

Greater Portland Christian School serves as a partner with the Christian home in the training of children and youth. It is imperative, therefore, that the home and school be in harmony concerning the goals and methods of this training. **The agreement below must be signed by all parents or guardians with whom the child(ren) reside(s) and by all students in grades 6-12 as a condition for admission and/or continued enrollment.**

► **PARENT(S) / GUARDIAN(S) OF ALL GRADE LEVELS**

*My signature below affirms my agreement with the following statements:*

1. I have read the GPCS Statement of Faith (other side), understand that GPCS seeks to integrate traditional Christian values with every subject and activity, and I consent to have my child(ren) taught from this biblical perspective. I understand that the school will endeavor to be guided by a Christian worldview in all of its programs and activities.
2. I accept all of the school's policies and procedures as presented in the *GPCS Family Handbook*, which is subject to change without notice by decision of the Board of Directors or Head of School. I fully consent to have my child(ren) comply with these policies and procedures. I understand that serious misbehavior may result in discipline, up to and including expulsion from the school, regardless of whether the activity occurred online, or at a school function or not, and regardless of whether it occurred during school hours or not. This applies to any behavior or activity, including online activity, that defames the Christian testimony of the school. I understand that school lockers, desks, and computers are property of the school, that the school has the right to open and search its property at any time, and that the school is not responsible for items lost or stolen.
3. I agree to fully support the administration and faculty of GPCS in the training of my child(ren). In the event I disagree or am in doubt regarding a school action, I will give the benefit of the doubt to the staff member until I have the opportunity to speak directly with him/her to hear the full report. I will follow the "Matthew 18 Principle" (Matthew 18:15-17) of attempting to resolve issues at the lowest level possible and of dealing only with the people directly involved if issues arise.
4. If at any time during the training of my child(ren) I can no longer work together with the school in a spirit of unity, or if I am unable to support the decisions of the administration, and all reasonable avenues of communication and resolution have been exhausted, I will withdraw my child(ren) from the school.
5. I understand that the school's duties and obligations under this Agreement may be suspended indefinitely without notice during all periods in which GPCS is closed due to any force majeure events, including, but not limited to, any earthquake, fire, flooding, act of God, war, governmental action, act of terrorism, epidemic, pandemic, state of emergency, or any other event beyond its control. GPCS will deliver remote instruction as soon as is reasonably practicable and safe under the circumstances. If such a force majeure event occurs, the duties and obligations in this Agreement may be postponed for a period of time until GPCS can deliver its contingency course instruction or until such time as GPCS, in its sole discretion may safely reopen. In the event GPCS is closed for a period of time or must deliver course work remotely due to an event under this clause, I agree the school is under no obligation to cancel, waive, or refund, any portion of tuition that is owed or paid to GPCS.

Parent/Guardian Signature	Name Printed	Date
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► **STUDENT(S) (Grades 6-12):** *My signature below affirms my agreement with the following statements:*

I have read the GPCS Statement of Faith, Code of Conduct, and Disciplinary Code and agree to comply with them while enrolled at Greater Portland Christian School. I understand that as a student I am expected to represent GPCS well at all times, whether online, at a school function, or away from school. I understand that serious misbehavior may result in discipline, up to and including expulsion from the school, regardless of whether the activity occurred online, at a school function or not, and regardless of whether it happened during school hours or not. This applies to any behavior or activity (including online activity) that defames the Christian testimony of the school. I understand that I am to come to school and classes on time, to be prepared to work, and to complete assignments to the best of my ability and in the time allotted. I will be honest in all my work, treat others with utmost respect, and uphold a biblical standard of integrity and service at all times, whether at school or elsewhere.

Student Signature	Date	Student Signature	Date
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## **GREATER PORTLAND CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

### **GPCS STATEMENT OF FAITH**

The basis of the Greater Portland Christian School Association is the teaching of the Bible that man was made in the image of God to be a steward of His creation, and that parents are responsible to train their children to know and serve God. The basis rests further on the belief that such training can most effectively be carried on in a school where every area of knowledge is related to God: e.g., science is recognized as the investigation and use of God's eternal purpose, and the arts are viewed as reflections of God's creatures.

The theological basis which unites the members of this Association and binds the teachers of this School includes the following particular truths of Scripture:

1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God.
2. We believe that there is only one God, eternally existent in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
3. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, and in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.
4. We believe that for salvation of lost and sinful man, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.
5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.
6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost: they that are saved unto the resurrection of life, and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **STATEMENT OF FINAL AUTHORITY FOR MATTERS OF FAITH AND CONDUCT**

The Statement of Faith does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible itself, as the inspired and infallible Word of God that speaks with final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind, is the sole and final source of all that we believe. For purposes of Greater Portland Christian School's faith, doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline, our Board of Directors is the final interpretive authority on the Bible's meaning and application.