

East Hill Christian School Statement of Beliefs

- a. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, infallible, authoritative, inerrant Word of God (*2 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:21*).
- b. We believe there is one God, eternally existent in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (*Genesis 1:1, Matthew 28:19, John 3:30*).
- c. We believe in the deity of Christ (*John 10:33*), His virgin birth (*Isaiah 7:12, Matthew 1:23, Luke 1:35*), His sinless life (*Hebrews 4:15, 7:26*), His miracles (*John 2:11*), His vicarious and atoning death (*1 Corinthians 15:3, Ephesians 1:7, Hebrews 2:9*), His resurrection (*John 11:25, 1 Corinthians 15:4*), His ascension to the right hand of the Father (*Mark 16:19*), and His personal return in power and glory (*Acts 1:11, Revelation 19:11*).
- d. We believe in the absolute necessity of regeneration by the Holy Spirit for salvation because of the exceeding
- e. sinfulness of human nature; that men are justified on the single ground of faith in the shed blood of Christ;
- f. and that only by God's grace and through faith alone are we saved (*John 3:16-19, 5:24; Romans 3:23, 5:8-9; Titus 3:5*).
- g. 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 (*John 5:28-29*).
- h. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ (*Romans 8:9, 1 Corinthians 12:12-13, Galatians 3:26-28*).
- i. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life (*Romans 8:13-14; 1 Corinthians 3:16, 6:19-20; Ephesians 4:30, 5:18*).

East Hill Christian School Educational Philosophy

East Hill Christian School is committed to a doctrine which supports the infallibility of scripture, that the Bible is the ultimate authority against which all evidence is examined. The educational philosophy is Christ-centered. We believe that the Bible has unique relevance to the development of the whole person and assign priority to its instruction in all academic disciplines. Teachers are well credentialed and profess a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. The learning environment is loving, supportive and reflects the highest standards of scholarship. We believe that students should find the classroom exciting, imaginative, and disciplined and a vital laboratory which nurtures creativity, individuality of thought, and spiritual development.

We believe that it is important for every student to know the subject matter content of a traditional curriculum which incorporates English, math, science and history. As important, however is the development of critical thinking skills which are anchored in the Word of God. It is our belief that the East Hill Christian School approach to education will plant the seeds of godly wisdom into the developing mind of the student, and that these seeds will germinate to provide for a life which is intrinsically rewarding and brings honor to the person of the Lord Jesus Christ.

East Hill Christian School admits students of any race, color, and/or national origin in the administration of educational policies, admissions procedures, scholarship programs, athletics, or any school-related activities.

We believe that the Word of God has unique relevance to the process of educating this nation's youth. When properly integrated into a curriculum, we believe that the Bible provides the students with competencies which are vital to the process of coping in the world today.

East Hill Christian School Educational Objectives

- a. To meet the individual needs of each student in the spiritual, physical, emotional and social realms.
- b. To train young people in the highest principles of Christian leadership, self-discipline, individual responsibility, personal growth, and good citizenship.
- c. To maintain an environment that is in harmony with the Christian home and the standards of the local church.
- d. To lead students to accept Christ as their personal Savior.
- e. To provide students with basic reading skills and activities which will lead the students to become functional and literate readers in our society and enjoy a wide variety of reading experiences.
- f. To provide students with math skills and concepts that will enable them to effectively function in real-life situations at home, work or as a consumer.
- g. To provide students with thinking skills and problem-solving skills to deal with new situations in a changing society.
- h. To provide students with computer, science, and math skills and knowledge to continue further study and acquire further training in a technologically complex world.
- i. To provide students with language arts and study skills to perform successfully in postgraduate study of the business world.
- j. To train students to take an active role in a local church and participate in worship of God and ministry to others.
- k. To provide students with the opportunity to acquire basic skills in speaking, understanding, reading and writing a foreign language.
- l. To provide students knowledge about the maintenance of a healthy body as the temple of the Holy Spirit.
- m. To train students to make productive use of leisure time by developing skills in individual and team sports, vocal and instrumental music and art.
- n. To assist students in the development of the following psychological and sociological skills: self-management skills, interpersonal/communication skills, decision-making skills, emotional expression and control, and social systems coping skills.
- o. To train students to respect and appreciate people who are different than they are, especially people who are unique because of a handicap or people who are from a different culture or race.

East Hill Christian School Lifestyle Statement

East Hill Christian School is a religious, nonprofit organization representing Jesus Christ throughout the local community. East Hill Christian School requires its employees to be born-again Christians, living their lives as

Christian role models (Rom. 10:9–10, 1 Tim. 4:12, Luke 6:40). Employees will conduct themselves in a way that will not raise questions regarding their Christian testimonies. A Christian lifestyle should reflect the biblical perspective of integrity, appropriate personal and family relationships, business conduct, and moral behavior. An employee is expected to demonstrate a teachable spirit, an ability to share love for others, a willingness to live contentedly under authority, and a commitment to follow the Matthew 18 principle when an issue arises with fellow employees or management.

The East Hill Christian School Statement of Beliefs expects employees to maintain a lifestyle based on biblical standards of moral conduct. Moral misconduct, which violates the bona fide occupational qualification for employees to be Christian role models, includes, but is not limited to, promiscuity and homosexual behavior or any other violation of the unique roles of male and female (Rom. 1:21–27, 1 Cor. 6:9–20). East Hill Christian School School believes that biblical marriage is limited to a covenant relationship between a man and a woman.

East Hill Christian School employees will maintain a lifestyle based on biblical standards of conduct. Failure to do so may result in a reprimand or, in some cases, dismissal from employment. It is the goal of East Hill Christian School that each employee will have a lifestyle in which “He may have the preeminence” (Col. 1:18, NKJV).

East Hill Christian School Child Abuse Reporting Policy

State law requires that any childcare custodians who have knowledge of or observe, in their professional capacity or within the scope of their employment, a child whom they *reasonably* suspect has been the victim of child abuse *shall* report such suspected instance of abuse to a child protective agency immediately or as soon as practically possible by telephone and shall prepare and send a written report regarding the incident. Any childcare custodians who have knowledge of the fact that or who reasonably suspect that mental suffering has been inflicted on a child or that a child’s emotional well-being is endangered in any other way *may* report such suspected instance of child abuse to a child protective agency. Infliction of willful and unjustifiable mental suffering *must* be reported. You should report this by calling the child protective services or the police department in the city where the suspected abuse took place:

Agency	Phone Number
Lakeview Center Baptist Health Care	850-453-7745
Police Department	850-435-1935
Child Abuse Hotline	1-800-96-ABUSE (22873)

According to state law, no childcare custodian who reports a suspected instance of student abuse shall be civilly or criminally liable for any suspected abuse report. You are expected to report any suspicion of child abuse to your school administrator, although doing so does not relieve you of your legal obligation.