

Grace Christian Academy of Maryland Statement of Faith

1. We believe in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as verbally inspired by God and inerrant in the original writing, and that they are of supreme and final authority in faith and life.
2. We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
3. We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, and is true God and true man.
4. We believe that God created the world, including man, in six twenty-four hour days.
5. We believe that man was created in the image of God, that he sinned, and thereby incurred not only physical death, but also spiritual death which is separation from God; and that all human beings are born with a sinful nature, become sinners (in thought, word and deed) and consequently need redemption.
6. We believe that all mankind, excepting Adam and Eve, achieve personhood at the moment of conception. (Ps. 139:14-16; Jer. 1:5)
7. We believe that God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as a genetic male or genetic female. These two distinct, complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God (Gen. 1:26-27). Rejection of one's biological sex is a rejection of the image of God within that person.
8. We believe that the term "marriage" has only one meaning: the uniting of one genetic male and one genetic female in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture (Gen. 2:18-25). We believe that God intends sexual intimacy to occur only between a man and a woman who are married to each other (1 Cor. 6:18; 7:2-5; Heb. 13:4) and that sexual intimacy outside of marriage (including adultery, fornication, rape, homosexual behavior, bisexual conduct, bestiality, incest, and use of pornography) is sin.
9. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures, as a representative and substitutionary sacrifice; and that all who believe in Him are justified on the grounds of His shed blood.
10. We believe in the resurrection of the crucified body of our Lord, His ascension into Heaven, and His present intercession for us as High Priest and Advocate.
11. We believe that all who receive by faith the Lord Jesus Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit, and thereby become children of God.
12. We believe in that blessed hope, the personal imminent return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
13. We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved, and the everlasting punishment of the lost.

The applicant understands that the teaching and the administration of discipline at GCA will be in accordance with the Statement of Faith. Advocacy for contradictory points of view will not be allowed outside of curriculum-based academic discourse.

Parent/Guardian Print Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date