TRINITY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
STATEMENT OF FAITH

Statement of Faith:
Because Trinity Christian Academy is a ministry of Trinity Baptist Church, it is important that students and parents know the basic beliefs of the school.

We believe that the Holy Bible, in both the Old and New Testaments, was supernaturally inspired and that the King James Version of the Bible is the divinely preserved Word of God for the English speaking people (Psalm 12:6-7) and that it has enjoyed a miraculous manifestation of God’s approval all during its history and use. It is our guidebook for faith and practice in this life.

God is triune (one God in three persons); namely, God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. God is the Creator of heaven and earth. Man is the direct act of creation by God. Jesus Christ, God’s incarnate, virgin-born Son, took on human flesh to shed His blood on Calvary’s cross for the salvation of mankind from sin. He was buried and rose bodily on the third day. He ascended into heaven and will return one day to rapture all believers into heaven. The Holy Spirit indwells all believers and guides and instructs them through the Word of God. There is a literal heaven to gain and a literal hell to shun.

We believe that salvation is by grace through faith alone in the atoning blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We teach by curriculum and example the need to live a lifestyle based upon God’s Word. We believe God has commanded that no sexual activity should be engaged in outside of marriage between a man and a woman. We believe that the term “marriage” has only one meaning: the uniting of one man and one woman in a single exclusive union, as delineated in scripture. (Gen 2:18-25) We believe that to preserve the integrity and the role model of Godly values the employees, volunteers, and those who serve in any capacity at TCA agree to and abide by this position on biblical marriage. (Matt 5:16; Phil 2:14-16; I Thess 5:22) We believe that any form of homosexuality, lesbianism, bisexuality, trans-sexuality, bestiality, incest, fornication, adultery, and pornography are sinful perversions of God’s gift of sex. (Genesis 2:24; 19:5, 13; 26:8-9; Leviticus 18:1-30; Romans 1:26-29; 1 Corinthians 5:1; 6:9; 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8; Hebrews 13:4) The Statement of Faith does not exhaust the extent of our Faith. The Bible is the sole and final source of all that we believe.

We believe that the foregoing Statement of Faith accurately represents the teaching of the Bible, and therefore is binding upon all employees and faculty (and guests who participate or take part in any activity of the school).
Mission Statement:

The mission of Trinity Christian Academy is to glorify God by providing students a Christ-centered, Bible-based education, by influencing them for salvation, by instructing them in values for Godly living, and by providing a program of academic and extra-curricular excellence.
1. TCA will maintain a Bible-based, Christ-centered atmosphere, fostered by a God-called administration, faculty and staff, in which students are evangelized and discipled in Christian life and service.

2. TCA will achieve and maintain a positive Christian image that is promoted to the community to build enrollment, recognition, respect, and support from individuals and corporations.

3. TCA will maintain a highly effective faculty and staff with excellence in leadership, professionalism, and Christian service.

4. TCA graduates will be successfully prepared academically and spiritually for their chosen walk of life.

5. TCA will provide broad-based, state-of-the-art programs committed to excellence.

6. TCA will continue to grow deliberately to become the pre-eminent accredited Christian academy in northeast Florida.

7. TCA will maintain and expand its facilities, in conjunction with Trinity Baptist Church ministries, providing a safe and attractive campus supportive of its programs.

8. TCA will maintain financial stability through fiscal discipline, affordable tuition, and external financial support.
TRINITY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY  
PHILOSOPHY OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

This **philosophy** guides our educational thoughts, frames our core values, and delineates our standards.

**Philosophy:**

1. *The Biblical truth that children are given to parents as a gift from the Lord demands that we realize institutionally that parents have a stewardship responsibility to equip their children for life and for eternity. Deuteronomy 6:6-9, Ephesians 6:4, Proverbs 22:6*

**Core Value:**

1.1 TCA is a ministry of support and help for the family spiritually – by teaching salvation evangelistically, and by encouraging growth of spirit and character in ways that are unique to the mission of Christian Education.

**Standards:**

1.1.1 TCA has chapel programs every week for every age.
1.1.2 TCA has Bible classes and Bible teaching every day.
1.1.3 TCA has teachers managing all curricula who profess and model Christian virtues.
1.1.4 TCA allows the Bible to be discussed at any relevant time.
1.1.5 TCA seeks out and invites each family to hear a Bible message.
1.1.6 TCA seeks to aid each student in realizing his or her full potential in God's will through a broad range of extracurricular activities.
1.1.7 TCA prayerfully seeks to guide every child to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

**Core Value:**

1.2 TCA is a ministry to support and guide each family educationally – with a thorough, graded, sequential curriculum and with a sequential extracurricular program, taught by Godly, professional teachers in a traditional setting.

**Standards:**

1.2.1 TCA is accredited by the Florida Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (FACCS).
1.2.2 TCA is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Elementary and Secondary Schools (MSA-CESS).
1.2.3 TCA is staffed with teachers trained for their grade and subject.
1.2.4 TCA is in compliance with state mandates for non-public schools.
1.2.5 TCA students will reach achievement levels above national averages.
1.2.6 TCA is traditional and relevant in its methods of delivering quality education.
1.2.7 TCA seeks honorable participation in and with the community and state professional associations.
**Philosophy:**

2. *The Biblical nature of our educational mandate – to raise up a generation for Christ – demands that all programming be evaluated in view of its purpose and practice rather than its tradition and structure. Ephesians 6:6-7, I Corinthians 3:10-23, Galatians 6:10*

**Core Value:**

2.1 TCA is a ministry which is traditional in pedagogy while remaining open-minded in seeking out the most relevant practices to best serve the diverse needs of our students and families in a changing society.

**Standards:**

2.1.1 TCA will incorporate into its program, practices which are in harmony with the Bible and of benefit to our students, their families, and the church.

2.1.2 TCA does not participate in educational trends and fads in an attempt to be relevant.

**Core Value:**

2.2 TCA is a ministry which will consistently evaluate its various programs and people in the spirit of self-examination to demonstrate the excellency of Christ to this community.

**Standards:**

2.2.1 TCA will maintain a Continuous Improvement Program (CIP) to evaluate existing standards of excellence and envision higher standards for our students and their families.

2.2.2 TCA will publish the results of assessment activities and will use the results as change agents in the overall program.

**Philosophy:**

3. *God created every element of our universe and is responsible for providing all elements of our personal environment; therefore, we live as stewards of His creation. Genesis 1:31; I Corinthians 4:1&2, Colossians 1:6&7*

**Core Value:**

3.1 TCA is a ministry designed to establish and promote foundational Biblical thinking in our students.

**Standards:**

3.1.1 TCA teaches the absolute truth of Jesus Christ as Creator God.

3.1.2 TCA teaches responsible citizenship within ordained government.

3.1.3 TCA teaches an attitude of dignity and respect for others.

3.1.4 TCA teaches responsible use of our God-given personal gifts and talents.
Core Value:
3.2 TCA is a ministry which identifies and resists the humanistic values so pervasive in our society; therefore, we aggressively seek to protect and educate our students by indoctrination in Biblical truth, producing a student body with a Biblical worldview.

Standards:

3.2.1 TCA teaches sexual purity through abstinence.
3.2.2 TCA teaches the value, and sanctity of the marriage covenant between one woman and one man.
3.2.3 TCA teaches the dangers of illicit drugs and addictions.
3.2.4 TCA teaches the evils of decadent music.
3.2.5 TCA teaches the virtues of lofty Biblical character and its demonstration as a testimony of salt in a secular society.
FACCS Statement of Faith:

We believe that whatever the Bible says is true – which means that we believe in the inspiration of both the Old and New Testaments. We believe that man was created by the direct act of God, and in the image of God. We believe that Adam and Eve in yielding to the temptation of Satan became fallen creatures. We believe in the Incarnation, the Virgin Birth, and the Deity of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We believe in His vicarious and substitutional Atonement for the sins of mankind by the shedding of His blood on the Cross. We believe in the resurrection of His body from the tomb, His ascension to Heaven, and that He is now our Advocate. We believe that He is personally coming again. We believe in His power to save men from sin. We believe in the necessity of the New Birth, and that this New Birth is through the regeneration by the Holy Spirit. We believe that salvation is by grace through faith in the atoning blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We believe that this creed is sufficient basis for Christian fellowship, and that all born again men and women who sincerely accept this creed can, and should, live together in peace, and that it is their Christian duty to promote harmony among the members of the Body of Christ, and also to work together to get the Gospel to as many people as possible in the shortest time possible.