



Columbia County Christian School

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CCCS SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Parents with children attending the Columbia County Christian School are required to be members of the CCCS Society and are eligible for membership as either a Full voting Member or Associate non-voting Member. * Refer to sec. 1., pg. 1:6 (a,b,c) of By-laws. The members of the Society are those who apply to the directors for membership and comply with the by-laws according to their membership status. Columbia County Christian School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, national or the ethnic origin, age, or disability in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship, and loan programs, athletic and other school-administered programs. Fees support enhanced school opportunities for all students at CCCS, such as capital expenditures, programs, mission opportunities, sports, school community supplies, building, and society newsletters. CCCS is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Tax id #51-0511301 Refer to sec. 1., pg. 1:3 (a) of by laws.

Every full and associate member shall pay an annual Society membership fee per child attending CCCS of \$200.00. This fee covers 86% of capital expenditures and is tax deductible. Members with no children attending CCCS shall pay a flat fee of \$200.00 at the time of application submission. Two voting or non-voting members may be included per family regardless of size. Fees are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

Full (VOTING) members are seeking to further the advancement of Christian schooling, as well as those who desire to have their children educated in the Christian school established by the Society and agree to subscribe the Societies Constitution and Societies Constitution and Statement of Purpose. Full voting members may vote on items such as the selection of the school Board of Directors, annual budgets, major capital expenditures, etc.

A full member shall promote the objectives of the Society and adhere to the principles for Christian Education set out in the Constitution. *Refer to sec. 1., pg. 5:24 (a) of by-laws.

Associate (NON_VOTING) members are seeking to further the advancement of Christian schooling, as well as those who desire to have their children educated in the Christian school established by the Society. Associate Non-voting members are unable to subscribe to the Constitution and statement of purpose of the society. **Refer to sec. 1., pg. 5:24 (b) of by-laws Associate members are not able to vote on items at our annual business meetings such as the selection of the school Board of Directors, annual budgets, major capital expenditures, etc.

Constitution of Columbia County Christian School Society

1. The name of the Society is "COLUMBIA COUNTY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL SOCIETY"
2. The Societies Purposes are:
 - a. to establish and maintain schools for Christian Education.
 - b. to provide for the education for the students of Christian schools on the basis of the infallible Word of God, having regard for the following principles for Christian Education.
 - i. that all things have been created to the end that Eternal God may be glorified in and through men,
 - ii. that God by his wise covenant arrangement has appointed the parent's to be responsible for the training of the child, to the end that God in his glory shall be enteral and supreme in life's total experience,
 - iii. that the training of the child shall be continued under the parent's responsible supervision in a school that carries out the basic God centered program begun in the homes,
 - c. to hire, engage or otherwise secure the services of teachers or other persons for the promotion and carrying out an objective of the Society,
 - d. to remunerate teachers and other persons for their services,
3. In case of dissolution of the Society, the property, assets, and monies belonging to the Society shall be donated to such nonprofit Christian Educational cause as may be decided upon by the Society members in good standing at a meeting called for that purpose, where not inconsistent with the Constitution of the Society or the laws of the United States of America.

The above paragraph is not subject to change or amendment unless by a unanimous count of the full members of the Society.



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The Statement of Purpose for the Society

- A. **Christian Principles** The basis of the CCCS is the infallible Word of God manifest in creation incarnate in Jesus Christ and unscripted in the Bible as it is confessed to be God's Word. Please see statement of faith.
1. **The Bible:** That God by His infallible Word; renews man understanding of Him, of man himself, of his fellow men and of the world; directs man in all his relationships and activities and therefore guides His people in the education of their children.
 2. **Creation:** That in their education, children must come to learn that world and man's calling in it, can rightly be understood only in their relationship to the triune God who, by his creation, restoration, and governance, directs all the things to the coming of His Kingdom and the glorification of His name.
 3. **Sin:** That man's sin alienates him from God and it distorts his view of the true meaning and purpose of life; and misdirects human culture.
 4. **Jesus Christ:** That through our Savior, Jesus Christ, there is renewal of our education enterprise because He the Redeemer, of, and the Light and the Way for, our human life in all its range and variety. Only through Him and the work of His Spirit are we guided in the truth and recommitted to our original calling.
- B. **Elements of Christian Education**
1. **Schools:** The purpose of Christian schools is to educate children for a life of obedience to their calling as image bearers of God; and the calling is to know God's Word and His creation, to consecrate the whole of human life to God; to love their fellowmen and to be stewards in their God given cultural task.
 2. **Parents:** The primary responsibility for education rests upon parents to whom God entrusts children, and that Christian parents should accept this obligation, which God established. If they should seek to release this obligation, it should be done through school associations and school boards that engage the services of Christian teachers in Christian schools.
 3. **Teachers:** Christian teachers, in cooperation with parents, have a unique educational responsibility to God while educating the child.
 4. **Pupils:** Christian schools must take into account the variety of abilities, needs, and responsibilities of young persons; that endowments and calling of young persons as God's image bearers, and the defects and inadequacies as sinners, require that such learning goals and such curricula will be selected as will best prepare them to live as obedient Christians; and that only with constant attention to such educational concerns, will education be truly Christian.
 5. **Community:** Because God's covenant embraces not only parents and their children but also the whole Christian community to which they belong. And Christian education contributes directly to the advancement of God's Kingdom, it is important that the Christian community pray and work hard to establish and support Christian schooling.
 6. **Educational Freedom:** Christian schools organized and administered in accordance with legitimate standards and provisions for day schools should be fully recognized in society as free to function according to these principles.

CCCS By-Laws are available by request.



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CCCS Society Membership Application

Please print and return to CCCS

Member #1 Name: _____

Member #2 Name: _____

Member(s) Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Work/Cell #: _____

IMPORTANT NOTE: Parents with children attending Columbia County Christian School are required to be members and are eligible for membership in the Society as either a full voting member or associate non-voting member. Fees are \$200 per student attending and are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. A maximum of two members per family attending CCCS regardless of size is permitted.

Members with NO children attending CCCS shall pay a flat rate fee of \$200.00 at the time of application submission for up to two (2) voting or non-voting members.

Member Type: _____ *Full (Voting) _____ ** Associate (non-Voting)

Society Membership Fee: Number of students _____ X \$200.00 per student: \$ _____

Flat Membership Fee: (\$200.00 flat fee for members with no students attending CCCS) \$ _____

Paid by: _____ Cash _____ Check # _____ Credit/Debit

Make checks payable to: Columbia County Christian School: a tax receipt for your membership fees will be sent to the address listed above.

*Full (voting) members:

I have read and the above Statement of Purpose of the Society, and the CCCS Constitution. I subscribe to the forgoing Statement of Purpose, constitution, and by-laws and wish to be a:

*Full Member #1 Signature: _____ Date: _____

*Full Member #2 Signature: _____ Date: _____

**Associate (non-voting) member:

I am unable to subscribe to the CCCS Statement of Purpose and Constitution, and wish to be a:

**Associate Member #1 Signature: _____ Date: _____

**Associate Member #2 Signature: _____ Date: _____