



# Bethel Christian School

(A Ministry of Bethel Church)

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## *CONTRACT AND FAMILY AGREEMENT*

In this contract between Bethel Christian School (BCS) and Mr. and Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_,  
Parent's Last Name

we, the Parents (or guardians) of \_\_\_\_\_,  
Your Child (ren)'s First and Last Name(s)

agree to enroll our child(ren) for the 2009-2010 school year, subject to the following stipulations:

Bethel Christian School admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.

We as parents accept the biblical principal to "Train up a child in the way he should go..." (Prov. 22:6).

**We do hereby state that we have made a thorough investigation of the Student Handbook, including the statement of faith, philosophy and objectives, discipline and motives of the school, student behavior and dress, and do pledge to make them our choice for the coming school year.**

**We pledge that if for any reason our child does not respond favorably to the school, we will not seek to alter the Biblical principles under which the school is operating, but will seek to help our child to adjust to these principles in his own life. If, in consultation with the Pastor and staff, we are not able to achieve this in a reasonable time, we accept responsibility to withdraw our child in a spirit of love and cooperation.**

We understand that all students are accepted on a trial basis. Continued enrollment requires acceptable grades and behavior. No family is guaranteed re-enrollment each year.

School authorities are hereby given permission to discipline my child(ren) when necessary in accordance with school policies.

**We understand that the school reserves the right to dismiss any student who does not cooperate with the educational process, or fails to maintain proper behavioral standards at all times while they are enrolled as a student at this school.**

We sincerely pledge our loyalty to the aims and ideals of the school and will bring any and all questions and criticisms directly to the person involved, and if that does not bring satisfaction, then to the administration. We agree to apply the principles of Matthew 18:15-17 in resolving any questions or matters of disagreement. (Matthew 18 requires direct communication with the persons involved as opposed to general discussions or gossip with other parents or teachers who are not involved in the matter).

We understand the registration fee of \$50.00 will not be refunded or transferred if the child is not accepted for enrollment.

We understand that tuition charges will be paid according to arrangements that shall be made through the school office, and that the tuition payments are due according to these arrangements. We understand that financial obligations for each month must be met before a student may continue the next month.

K-5 graduation fees will be announced during the second semester.

Accounts are due (including all fees, lunches, etc.) on the first of each month. A late fee of **\$25.00** will be posted if the account is not paid by the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month. Any account that is still past due by 45 days (the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following month) will have to be paid in full (or specific payment arrangements made with the school) or the student will not be allowed to return until the account is brought up to date.

If the student is transferred or withdrawn from school for any reason, the tuition will be pro-rated on the actual number of months or any part thereof, that the student was enrolled.

If a check is returned for any reason, a \$20.00 fee will be charged.

In full cooperation with the school, we will regularly attend the Parent-Teacher Fellowship (PTF) meetings. We also pledge to volunteer as much time as possible for PTF events, activities, and fundraisers.

I am aware that the staff of BCS is highly concerned with the safety and the welfare of my child. Further, I believe that they take every reasonable precaution to prevent harm or danger to my child. I am also aware that circumstances may arise which is beyond anyone's control. I place full confidence in the staff of BCS to act in their best judgment and to do whatever they deem reasonably necessary to provide for the safety and well being of my child.

I UNDERSTAND AND HEREBY AGREE TO ASSUME ALL OF THE RISKS WHICH MAY BE ENCOUNTERED DURING SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING ACTIVITIES PRELIMINARY AND SUBSQENT THERETO. I do hereby agree to hold harmless from any and all liability, actions, causes of action, claims, expenses, and damages on account of injury to my child or property, which I or my child now have or one which may arise in the future in connection with my child's participation in Bethel Christian School or in any other associated activities which are not a result of gross negligence, intentional neglect, or willful or wanton conduct by the ministry, or its agents, representatives, or employees. I agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Bethel Christian School and Bethel Free Will Baptist Church and its agents and employees from and against all claims, damages, liability, costs, and expenses (including without limitation, interest, penalties, court costs, attorney's fees and expenses) resulting from the incurred on behalf of or in relation to my child and the school.

I expressly agree that this release, waiver, and indemnity agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the State of Virginia and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect. This release contains the entire agreement between the parties hereto and the terms of this release are contractual and are not a mere recital.

I further state that I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE FOREGOING RELEASE AND KNOW THE CONTENTS THEREOF AND I SIGN THIS RELEASE AS MY OWN FREE ACT. This is a legally binding agreement, which I have read and understand.

We understand that should our marital status change that it is my responsibility to have a corrected contract signed, updated, and delivered to BCS.

We understand that BCS is not responsible for damages or injuries incurred by students during school activities.

We agree that student dress can, and often does, have an impact on academic progress and student conduct. Therefore, we agree to support the school dress code and will take full responsibility to see that our child (ren) dress in accordance with the published dress code. We further agree and understand that the dress code specifies what is acceptable, and we will not assume that any other dress is acceptable merely because it is not specifically prohibited.

We give Bethel Christian School permission for our child to take part in all school activities, including bus trips, sports activities, and school sponsored field trips away from the school premises.

When our child is ill or physically unable to participate in the school program and activities, we agree to keep him/her at home.

***We the undersigned have read and fully understand and agree to the above contract:***

Parents' Signatures (Both parents must sign)

Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sole Guardian (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Administrator or BCS Representative: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_