## Parent-School Agreement (Rev. 5/24)

IN ORDER TO SOLEMINIFY the desire of the undersigned parties to glorify the Lord with their obedience to Him and to promote a clear understanding of the duties and responsibilities of each party, the undersigned parties adopt the following agreement.

1. I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (*mother, father, legal guardian*), for and in consideration of,

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(*student*), being admitted at a student at Bethel Christian Academy, do hereby accept each admission and the duties and responsibilities entailed therein and agree to be bound by the terms of this Agreement.

1. I subscribe without reservation to the **Articles of Faith** and the **Standards of Conduct** of Bethel Christian Academy and agree that my family will abide by these doctrines in all aspects of our lives, both at and away from school, ministries and functions. I understand **that it is expected that I will faithfully fellowship with a local church ministry**. I agree to be loyal to the leadership and the ministry in word and in deed. If I am currently not engaged in a local ministry; it is my intentions to do so quickly.
2. I understand and agree that **the church and the school ministry are inseparable** and that my child may be expelled from the school if fellowship with a local ministry is not established, as is determined in the sole discretion of the pastor and the Bethel Baptist Church leadership.
3. I have read and understand the Student Handbook and I agree with it completely. I agree that my child and I must abide by all of the policies, rules and regulations of the school, including those listed in the Student Handbook, and I agree to support Bethel Christian Academy with my conduct, financial obligation and prayers.
4. I understand and agree that the education of my child will be guided by the instructors and other school officials. I agree that my purpose in obtaining a **Christian education** for my child will be achieved by following the curriculum set by the administration. To that end, I agree that I will require my child to perform all duties and responsibilities assigned by the instructors and school officials to the best of his/her ability to their satisfaction. I will support the decisions of the instructors and school officials and will never attempt to undermine their authority. I understand and agree that during my child’s enrollment the courses offered and the instructors teaching them may change from time to time in the discretion of the school leadership.
5. I understand and agree that Bethel Christian Academy has the right, in its sole discretion, to control what is published, circulated, or otherwise distributed at its school, to its students or staff, and I will ensure that my child understands this provision.
6. I understand and agree that attending Bethel Christian Academy is a **privilege** and the school reserves the right to suspend or expel my child from the school in accordance with its official policies as determined by the school. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, **this Agreement does not bind either party to any specific period of enrollment**. Either party may terminate Agreement without cause upon seven (7) days written notice; however all **financial obligations are required for a full school year and are non-refundable nor will any pro-rated portions be waived** should a student be withdrawn before the completion of the school year. I understand that no rights or presumptions of continued enrollment are conferred or implied by this Agreement or by a number of consecutive Agreements. I further agree that no right to notice of renewal or nonrenewal of the Agreement is conferred or implied.
7. I agree to pay all tuition and fees in a timely manner as set forth in Bethel Christian Academy’s Fees Policy Document. I understand that monthly tuition payments are due on the **first day of each month**. I further understand that if I fail to make a timely payment, my child may be withdrawn from school and I may be subject to late-payment fees and other costs, including any necessary costs of collection. I further understand that **no portion of the yearly fees will be refunded nor pro-rated for any unused portions which may results from withdrawals or fees added to account** for any reason but not limited to: repeat PACE cost, destruction of school property, student dismissal/withdrawal etc.

1. As **Bethel Christian Academy is a Christian ministry organization**, both parties agree that they would never make demands, threaten to sue, or actually litigate any matter whatsoever relating to or resulting from this Agreement. I understand that making demands, threatening to sue or actually litigating a matter against Bethel Christian Academy clearly violates Biblical teaching and practice and shall constitute sufficient grounds for immediate withdrawal of all my children from enrollment at Bethel Christian Academy. I understand that retaining an attorney to contact the ministry with regard to a potential claim or dispute will be interpreted as a threat to sue. Accordingly, the parties agree to resolve all potential claims, disputes or causes of action through binding arbitration using the procedures outlined in the attached procedures.
2. I agree to follow the Biblical pattern of Matthew 18:15-17 and Galatians 6:1 and always give a good report. All differences are to be resolved by utilizing Biblical principles- always presenting a united front.
3. The parties agree that the methods outlined in this action (8) shall be the sole remedies for any and all controversies or claims arising out of the enrollment relationship or this Agreement and expressly waive their right to file a lawsuit against one another in any civil court for such disputes, except to enforce a legally binding arbitration decision.
4. I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Procedures for Arbitrations adopted by Bethel Christian Academy and agree to abide by the procedures outlined therein.
5. I agree to do everything in my power to avoid involving Bethel Christian Academy in any legal proceedings which may take place or legal requests for documents or testimony of school officials concerning the custody and/or education and upbringing of my child. I understand that if, in spite of my and my attorney’s best efforts, any school official is legally compelled to provide testimony or documentation beyond a copy of my child’s standard academic records may be charged for any and all expenses incurred in complying with such legal process.
6. The parties agree that there are no other agreements or understandings between them relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements, oral, written, between the parties and its intended as a complete and exclusive statement of the agreement of the parties. Neither Agreement nor its execution have been induced by any reliance, representations, stipulations, warranties, agreements or understandings of any kind other than those expressed herein. If any provision of this agreement is found to be void or voidable, it shall not affect the validity of any provision. Both parties shall remain bound by all other provisions.
7. I certify that **I will explain this agreement and its meaning to my child**. I will assist the school in every way necessary to ensure my child abides by all the terms of this agreement.
8. I understand that this Agreement shall take effect when fully executed and delivered to the Bethel Christian Academy administration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the \_\_\_day

of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_.

By \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mother Father

I understand this agreement and its content and agree to abide by its terms and all rules which apply to students.

By \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student (Age 12 and above)

**ACCEPTED AND APPROVED**

By \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Principal