

Board Policy on the Role of Faith

Columbus Classical Academy shall be governed and managed in a manner consistent with the principles of historic, orthodox Christianity and a Judeo-Christian worldview. However, the school shall serve as a civic institution distinct from the family and the church, and as a result, the school shall not require students to take courses in doctrinal, Biblical instruction, nor require a statement of faith from any student or family as a condition of admission.

The following practices shall be adhered to in order to ensure conformance to the foregoing principles:

- Columbus Classical Academy shall at all times be governed by a Board of Directors, at least 75% of the voting membership of which shall personally affirm the truth of the Apostles' Creed in its original formulation. Such affirmation or abstention shall be made annually, *via* signed statement, initially upon a member's first election to the Board, and thereafter delivered to the Board Secretary at each annual Board retreat on the second Saturday in June;
- The Head of School shall personally affirm the truth of the Apostles' Creed in its original formulation. Such affirmation shall be made annually, *via* signed statement, initially upon hiring, and thereafter delivered to the Board Secretary at each annual Board retreat on the second Saturday in June;
- Each meeting of the Board shall be opened with the Lord's Prayer;
- At the commencement of any meal held at an official school function, including daily lunch, a corporate, oral prayer of blessing shall be offered;
- The school's daily morning assembly shall open with a prayer by the Head of School or member of administration leading the assembly;
- All questions from students about the correct formulation of doctrine or religious belief shall be deferred to the student's parents; and
- Columbus Classical Academy's Policy on the Role of Faith (this Policy) shall at all times be made publicly accessible and available to any parent, student, or member of the public, including *via* the school website.

Commentary: