**Rocky Christian School Society**

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Name in Full: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # ( ) -

Please note that our policies require that each membership is allocated to one person. In case of a society vote, one vote per membership will be counted.

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I hereby affirm agreement with the Guiding Principles of RCS and agree to abide by the objectives, bylaws and resolutions of the Society and its Board of Directors and agree to support the Christian education program of RCS.

I agree with the following statement of Christian faith: That Jesus Christ is the Son of God sent to redeem the world, I love Him and trust Him as the One who saves me from my sin and I embrace Him as Lord of my life.

I am an active participant at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 (Name of Church)

I hereby make a commitment to financially support the Society in its work to provide Christ-centred education in accordance with guidelines and bylaws as approved by the Society. (This includes yearly membership dues and tuition.)

I hereby make a commitment to support the Society in its work as a volunteer in whatever capacity the Lord leads me.

I therefore, hereby make application for membership in the Rocky Christian School Society.

I further acknowledge that this application for membership must be approved by the Board of Directors of the Rocky Christian School Society.

MEMBER SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*For board use only:*

Approved at Board on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 (Date)

Board Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 (Name) (Signature)

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(Date)

**Guiding Principles of Rocky Christian School**

Believing that the Lord God, by graciously giving us the Scriptures, has revealed to His people certain basic principles intensely relevant to education, we confess:

1. LIFE: That human life in its entirety is religion which means that we may, because of Christ, serve God in every area of our life, in obedience, and out of thankfulness. We are, therefore, also required to direct the training of our children in accordance with this statement.

2. BIBLE: That the Bible is the inspired and infallible Word of God, and we accept:

a. That it enlightens our understanding.

b. That it directs our life and all our activities.

c. That it reveals the origin of man and of all creation.

d. That its truth must form the basis of all curriculum and disciplines taught to our children.

e. That it is the key to knowledge of God, ourselves, and the world.

3. GOD AND CREATION: That God the Father has created all things; that He now preserves His creation; that He continues to reveal His power and dominion in the cosmos for Christ’s sake. We further profess that the ultimate purpose of creation is to glorify His name.

4. SIN: That man, by disobeying God’s law and forsaking his office, separated himself from God and his neighbour, and brought God’s curse upon the creation. As a result, fallen man has become blind to the true meaning of life which confronts him in creation and in Scripture.

5. CHRIST: That the Christ of the Scriptures, the Word of God incarnate, reconciles the world to God; redeems our life in its entirety; restores our fellowship with God and our neighbour; and renews our mind to rightly know God, ourselves, and the world in which we live.

6. THE HOLY SPIRIT: That the evidence of Christ’s presence in our life is the work of the Holy Spirit. Our children, placed in their educational environment, must be made aware that the presence of God the Father, and the saving work of Christ through the working of the Holy Spirit remains with us always. It inspires and enables us to do God’s will and to seek His glory in all things.

7. THE KINGDOM OF GOD: That in God’s Kingdom the rule of Jesus Christ over all things is established and, therefore, it makes the acquisition of all knowledge possible and meaningful. Since we must subject every thought in obedience to Christ, we therefore, reject every attempt to withdraw any aspect of life from the divine commandment to love the Lord with all our heart, soul, and mind. We will constantly endeavor to express and apply this kingdom vision in all of learning.

8. MAN: That man is created in the image of God, who also established a covenantal relationship with us and with our children (through the work of Christ, our Saviour). This bond and promise requires us to reflect the excellence of our Creator and to serve Him in loving obedience.

9. PURPOSE OF EDUCATION: That the purpose of education at this Society’s school is:

a. a) To instill in the child an awareness of God’s presence in his life.

b. b) To provide the child with an understanding of himself as he relates to God, to others, and to the world around him so as to serve the Lord faithfully in all areas.

c. c) To provide learning experiences suitable to the needs and the abilities of each child.

d. d) To promote the development of each child to his/her full potential.

10. PARENTS: That God has given parents the responsibility to nurture and educate their children. In order to fulfill part of their educational task, parents should establish Christian schools.

11. THE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL: That the school, established and controlled by an association of Christian believers in accordance with its constitution and By-Laws, possesses the freedom to function in the field of education in complete and voluntary submission to Kingship of Christ.