

## **WCA's Philosophy of Education**

We believe in God's view of truth and man as presented in the Bible. Man is born a sinner, but is drawn by God's grace to receive Jesus as the sacrifice for his sin and to live in relationship with God as His child.

The purpose of a Christian education is to:

- Teach Bible truth and to present all subject matter from a Biblical worldview.
- Develop each student as a whole person (spiritually, mentally, physically and socially) so that each student may assume his or her God-prepared role in a home, a church and in society.
- Provide an atmosphere in which Christian teachers model a mature Christian lifestyle.
- Partner with the parents and the churches of our students in the educational process, realizing that parents are responsible for the total education and training of their children.

The goals of a Christian education at WCA include:

### **1. Spiritual and moral growth of students:**

- Students will study the Bible daily to glean its truths, love its wisdom and know and obey its laws.
- Students will accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior by accepting the free gift of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross as atonement for their sins.
- As students develop the mind of Christ, they will gain a comprehensive Biblical worldview of themselves and the world in which they live.
- Students will demonstrate a deepening personal relationship with Christ and the confidence to share His love.

### **2. Personal and social development of students:**

- Students will see themselves as unique individuals created in the image of God.
- Students will love and respect others as God's creations.
- Students will develop an attitude of serving others.
- Students will develop skills necessary for developing and maintaining future relationships in all areas of life including marriage, family and career.
- Students will develop healthy physical habits and understand that their bodies are temples of God.

### **3. Academic development of students:**

- Students will develop exceptional academic skills in oral and written communication, math, science, technology, social studies and fine arts.
- Students will develop effective study and research skills.
- Students will develop critical thinking skills, using God's Truth as the filter through which they view the world.

### **4. Joint cooperation between student's home and school:**

- Cooperation between each student's parents and teachers will enhance Christ-centered teaching at both the home and the school.
- WCA will help families maintain Christian homes in the midst of constant cultural change.
- WCA will encourage each student, family and staff member to support the school's mission statement by participation in a local church.