

## Calvary Academy – Student Responsibilities

Calvary Academy is a private institution. Calvary Academy reserves the privilege of setting and maintaining its own standards of student conduct, dress, cleanliness, and scholarship. The school administration maintains the right to refuse admittance to anyone it so chooses, and to suspend or expel anyone who violates the standards set down in the Standard of Conduct as defined by the school.

Attendance at Calvary Academy is a privilege, not a right. Christian standards of conduct are expected of all students at all times. In order to continue in the school, students must comply with the standards and regulations set forth and exhibit an attitude that is in harmony with the spirit and purpose of the school.

Calvary Academy holds that the Bible is the infallible, divine Word of God and that salvation by faith in Christ is the initial step in the Christian life. There is an adequate Biblical basis for the idea of spiritual growth unto the image of Christ (Romans 8:29), which is the work of the Holy Spirit (II Corinthians 3:18). This growth begins with the initial act of saving faith and continues throughout life. The Holy Spirit makes the Christian conscious of the Biblical demands for a holy life which fulfills both God's moral law and high law of love (Matthew 22:37-39; Romans 13:8-10; Galatians 15:14). The result is a life consecrated unto God and separated from the world.

Calvary Academy must, therefore, provide an environment conducive to the spiritual growth and development of young people who are not yet mature Christians. A standard of conduct based on the following Biblical imperatives is necessary to provide such an environment. All of the activities of the Christian must be subordinate to the glory of God who indwells us (I Corinthians 8:9, 12-13, 10:32). The Christian will endeavor to avoid practices which cause the loss of sensitivity to the spiritual needs of the world and loss of the Christian's physical, mental, or spiritual well-being (I Corinthians 9:27).

A sense of the need for spiritual growth in the light of these principles has led Calvary Academy to adopt the following standards, which it is believed are conducive to the environment that will best promote the spiritual welfare of the student. The school, therefore, requests from each student, whether at home, school, or elsewhere:

1. to refrain from worldly habits including: swearing, indecent language, smoking, alcohol, drugs, gambling, and listening to Rock, Country, Contemporary Christian, and music with a "rock" beat or indecent lyrics (I John 2:15-17).
2. to conduct themselves in a manner characteristic of Christian standards including courtesy, kindness, morality, and honesty.

The selection of the restrictions mentioned in the pledge may appear arbitrary to some; but while not condemning others who see differently, Calvary Academy believes that the restrictions named are minimal types of conduct that guide toward the school's objectives.

Students are expected to abide by these standards throughout their enrollment whether at home, school, or elsewhere. Students found to be out of harmony with the Calvary Academy ideals of work and life may be invited to withdraw whenever the general welfare demands it, even though there may be no special breach of conduct.

In this atmosphere of definite and positive Christian standards of conduct, good scholastic planning, and intimate, personal interest between faculty and student, there is fine opportunity for development of strong Christian character.