

## Section One – General Information

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### **PHILOSOPHY OF THE SCHOOL**

**School Motto:** Growing in Christ

**School Verse:** And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man. Luke 2:52

Bethlehem Christian School has been established to provide a sound elementary education with high spiritual, academic and aesthetic standards, integrated with the truth of the Holy Scriptures, and to assist parents in carrying out Scriptural direction, as found in Deuteronomy 6:6,7: “And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.” Proverbs 22:6 “Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” and Ephesians 6:4 “And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.”

We believe that true education must seek to meet the needs of the whole child, and engender in that child the positive development of the spiritual, mental, emotional, physical and social aspects of life. We realize that an important difference exists between the Christian and non-Christian viewpoints on any given subject. Although knowledge is factually the same for both, no subject can be taught in the totality of its truth if the Creator, Christ, is ignored or denied.

A further goal of the school is to instill in its students a system of values consistent with the Bible and to educate them in the highest principles of Christian leadership, self-discipline, individual responsibility, personal integrity, and good citizenship.

Attendance at Bethlehem Christian School is a privilege, not a right. Parents are expected to be fully committed to, and wholly supportive of, the philosophy and objectives of the school.