

Herrick Presbyterian Covenant School

Information for Prospective Enrolment

Herrick Presbyterian Covenant School (HPCS) was established by Christian parents and fellow believers connected with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Australia, Winnaleah Congregation, in order that they may educate their children in a Christian environment and in the nurture and fear of the Lord. Students at HPCS receive a Christ-centred education based on the Word of God, as is their God-given responsibility.

Those who seek to enroll their children at HPCS must be practicing Christians who are regularly attending a Protestant place of worship. They must also subscribe to or support the truths of the Reformed Faith as clearly set out in the Westminster Confession of Faith.

If they satisfy these criteria then they may seek an interview with the school board at which time their faith and practice, and the school's principles and purposes will be furthered discussed.

School Mission Statement

Every school is based upon a specific system of belief, whether it is governed and guided by the government, a private board or society, or a church. HPCS is no different. It is based upon the Word of God as that Word is summarized in the Westminster Confession of Faith. Consequently, the Word of God gives shape to the purpose and direction of the school.

The Word of God devolves to parents the primary responsibility for the training and education of their children. In accordance with that divine mandate, Christian parents and fellow believers have established HPCS in order that they may educate their children in a Christian environment and in the nurture and fear of the Lord. Students at HPCS will receive a Christ-centred education based on the Word of God. Our mission is that our covenant children might know God and view the whole of life through the spectacles of faith in Jesus Christ.

The education provided at HPCS which will be of the highest quality will be taught by godly, Reformed teachers in a community of mutual endeavour and co-operation with parents and students.

This will be accomplished through instruction in all aspects of God's creation in light of the revelation of the Word of God. In that way, the children educated at HPCS will grow and develop spiritually, socially, emotionally and physically so that they are able to live in the world as faithful responsible servants of God, to the end that God is glorified.

In summary the mission of the HPCS is to provide an education of the highest quality:

- That prepares children to live for Christ in our society;
- That prepares children to be useful citizens of our nation;
- That exists in partnership with Christian parents and the Christian community; and
- That integrates into the curriculum a Reformed understanding of the Christian faith.

Here at HPCS, we believe:

- God is Creator and Sustainer of all things.
- God reveals Himself through the Bible and the Creation.
- Through Jesus Christ, the believer is brought into a living relationship with God.
- The chief purpose of every human being is to worship and serve God in every area of their life.
- God gives parents the primary responsibility to nurture and train their children.
- Education is the discovery of God's creation and truth.

Strategic Objectives

Objective 1

That all students demonstrate a commitment to a life of service to their Creator.

Objective 2

The creation of healthy relationships among parents, their school and their community by appropriate participation, communication and evaluation.

Objective 3

The provision of an education that is contemporary, relevant and continuously improving.

Objective 4

The preparation of graduates to pursue a vocation to which they consider themselves to be called by God.

Objective 5

To prepare students to live and work for Christ sensitively, responsibly, and effectively in our society.