

***Edgerton Christian Elementary School
Statement of Basis, Purpose, and Objectives***

- I. Basis: The basis of the Corporation and of the instruction given the children by means of the school(s) of the Corporation is the infallible Word of God interpreted in accordance with the Reformed Confessions. THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, THE 37 ARTICLES OF FAITH and THE CANONS OF DORDT.
- II. Purpose: The purpose of this Corporation is to provide for and give to our youth that week-day instruction which is in agreement with the Basis Article and which is necessary if they, as children of God's covenant are to occupy their places worthily in society, church, and state; and to propagate for this cause of CHRISTIAN INSTRUCTION AND EDUCATION by means of lectures, pamphlets, etc.
- III. Objectives:
- A. That the primary objective of Christian parents in seeking Christian education is to prepare the students to fulfill their principal task in life; namely, to glorify God in all of life.
 - B. That this school shall be a living challenge by word and deed in this community whereby all students and teachers demonstrate that the Kingdom of God comes first in their lives.
 - C. That the Holy Bible is pertinent to all ages, and this school shall teach that the Holy Bible becomes meaningful to the students in the time in which he/she lives and in the place God has placed him/her.
 - D. That this school shall meet the academic standards of the State, both in respect to academic requirements for faculty and administration and in terms of the basic curriculum.

Having read the basis, purpose and objectives of this Association, I concur that my child(ren) shall be taught according to the principles contained therein.

Parent's Signature: _____

Address _____ Church _____

Present school(s) children attended

Child enrolling:

_____ Grade: _____ Grade: _____

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Educational Aim

The purpose of Edgerton Christian, as stated in our constitution, can be accomplished by educating students for a life of obedience to their calling in this world as image-bearers of God. This calling comes to expression as students learn to nurture and explore personal relationships to God, to fellow human beings and to creation.

Our personal relationship to God is the basis for all other relationships. In our personal relationship to God, we teach the following: as our Creator and Redeemer, God has a claim on our life; we are created in God's image and must reflect that image in every aspect of life; God is to be loved above all and our love must be transformed into God-centered living and obedient service.

As we become aware of God's love for us as individuals, students then must be taught to extend that love to others. In our personal relationship to fellow human beings, we teach the following: we must appreciate and respect who we are in the light of who God is since we are not our own but belong to God and are dependent on Him; our God-given talents and gifts must be fully developed to give glory and praise to God; only when we love God above all and properly understand and respect ourselves can we fulfill the command to love our neighbor as ourselves; we must serve others as we build each other up and strengthen each other; what we do for others by word and deed is the same as doing it for Christ.

Since the beginning of time, God has commanded us to be good stewards of His creation. In our relationship to creation we teach that: in Christ the cultural mandate to subdue the earth and have dominion over it is renewed and must be fulfilled; we must maintain and keep the earth including our environment for the welfare of present and future generations; God has created the world and we must as His creatures respond with praise and life-long stewardship.

ECES MISSION

The mission of Edgerton Christian Elementary School is to grow and learn together, firmly rooted in Christ, so we can glorify God and bear the fruit of service to others.