

NAMPA CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS PARENTAL COMMITMENT

God has given parents the responsibility for *bringing up a child in the way he should go*, (Proverbs 22:6) and you have chosen Nampa Christian School (NCS) to assist you with that responsibility. To do the best possible job requires teamwork and communication between the home and the school. This responsibility is great, but to operate and cooperate consistently within God's plan, we would ask that you support and commit to the following:

1. We agree that our children will conduct themselves in accordance with the guidelines and rules stated in the student handbook. This includes following dress code at school and all school activities, behaving respectfully and honestly, consistently attending school and notifying the school of absences as soon as possible, and being a good steward of school property.
2. We hereby invest authority in the school to discipline our child(ren) as school personnel feel is necessary. We understand that NCS uses a variety of correction and management tools as discipline, but does not use corporal correction. We further agree that we will cooperate and discipline our child in the home as needed (Prov. 12:24, 19:18, 22:6, 23:13-14, 29:17; Eph. 6:1-2; Col. 3:20; Heb. 12:6).
3. If we have a concern about a situation at NCS, we agree to follow the biblical model in Matthew 18, by first discussing the issue with the particular person directly involved (teacher, principal, coach, etc.). If the matter is not successfully resolved privately, we agree to bring more people into the process by following the administrative chain of command through principal or athletic director (as situation deems necessary), then superintendent, and finally the school board. We understand that this principle requires us to act with love and respect for the good of the school community at all times, and precludes us from discussing the matter with anyone who is not part of either the problem or the solution.
4. We pledge our fullest cooperation and agree to keep doctrinal controversy and denominationalism out of the school at all times. (Rom. 13:8-10; I Cor. 12:12-14, 13:1-3)
5. We understand that NCS uses networked computers with filtered Internet access as an educational tool. We understand that students read and are expected to sign the NCS Technology Appropriate Use Policy.
6. We understand that assessments will be made to cover damages made to school or personal property by our child. We understand that this includes damages to school computer hardware and software.
7. We agree to pay tuition and fees according to the published fee scheduled or according to previously negotiated arrangements. We understand that report cards, access to Edline, and diplomas may be withheld if required payments are not made or arranged.
8. We understand that NCS will produce publications such as the sports booster program, Edline class pages (limited to those with school logins), the school newspaper, and the yearbook which will include pictures of our children. NCS also distributes a directory of family names, addresses, and phone numbers each fall.
9. We understand that NCS uses video surveillance on the premises for student and staff safety.
10. The parties to the agreement are Christians and believe the Bible commands them to make every effort to live at peace and to resolve disputes with each other in private or within the Christian church (Matt 18:15-20; I Cor. 6:1-8). Therefore, the parties agree that any claim or dispute arising from or related to this agreement will be settled by a biblically-based mediation and, if necessary, legally binding arbitration in accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Christian Conciliation as printed in the *Guidelines for Christian Conciliation*. Judgment upon an arbitration decision may be entered in any court otherwise having jurisdiction. The parties understand that these methods shall be the sole remedy for any controversy or claim arising out of this agreement and expressly waive their right to file a lawsuit in any civil court against one another for such disputes, except to enforce an arbitration decision.

Date _____

Father's Signature _____

Mother's Signature _____