

## **East Lake School Christian Covenant: Living Out Our SOARing Values**

*Isaiah 40:31: "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint"*

### **Purpose Statement:**

As a community grounded in Christ, we commit to partnering together to cultivate an educational environment that honors God, nurtures spiritual growth, and equips students to become faithful servants and leaders. Guided by our SOAR values—being Safe, Organized, Accountable, and Respectful—this covenant serves as a shared agreement between students, parents, faculty, and staff to live according to the teachings of Jesus Christ and uphold the mission of our school.

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### **Statement of Faith:**

We affirm the foundational truths of the Christian faith, including:

- The belief in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19).
  - The belief in the deity and humanity of Jesus Christ, His virgin birth, sinless life, death on the cross, resurrection, and ascension (Philippians 2:5-11).
  - The belief that the Bible is the inspired and authoritative Word of God, providing guidance for faith and life (2 Timothy 3:16-17).
  - The belief in salvation through faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior (Ephesians 2:8-9).
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## **Community Commitments: How we SOAR**

### **Being Safe:**

- We commit to fostering an environment where everyone feels physically, emotionally, and spiritually secure (Psalm 4:8).
- We will act in ways that protect the well-being of ourselves, others, and our community.

### **Being Organized:**

- We will work together to maintain an orderly and peaceful learning environment (1 Corinthians 14:40).
- We will plan and manage our time and responsibilities thoughtfully, striving to honor God through our efforts.

### **Being Accountable:**

- We will take responsibility for our actions, words, and learning (Galatians 6:5).
- We will seek forgiveness when we make mistakes and work to make things right.

**Being Respectful:**

- We will treat others with kindness, compassion, and dignity, recognizing that all are made in the image of God (Ephesians 4:32, Genesis 1:27).
  - We will listen to and value the perspectives of others, building a culture of inclusion and understanding.
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**Spiritual Growth and Discipleship:**

We commit to:

- Regular participation in prayer, worship, and Bible study.
  - Cultivating a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
  - Encouraging spiritual development through school activities and personal reflection.
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**Academic and Extracurricular Responsibilities:**

We strive to:

- Pursue academic excellence as an act of worship to God (Colossians 3:23).
  - Demonstrate diligence, responsibility, and perseverance in our studies.
  - Integrate faith into learning and participation in school activities.
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**Parental and Family Involvement:**

Parents and guardians commit to:

- Supporting the school's Christian mission and values.
  - Encouraging their children's spiritual, academic, and personal growth.
  - Actively participating in school life and fostering a partnership with teachers and staff.
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**Faculty and Staff Commitment:**

Faculty and staff pledge to:

- Model Christlike behavior and attitudes.
  - Provide a Christ-centered education that nurtures students spiritually, academically, and socially.
  - Foster a safe, organized, accountable, and respectful environment for learning.
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**Commitment to Service:**

We pledge to:

- Serve others within the school, church, and broader community.
- Participate in mission opportunities and outreach projects.
- Foster a heart for service and social responsibility.

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**Signatures:**

By signing this covenant, we affirm our commitment to uphold these values and work together to foster a Christ-centered educational environment guided by the principles of SOARing at East Lake School.

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Faculty/Staff Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_