



Rivendell School

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Teaching Position Application

Name and Contact Information

Full Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Educational Background

Starting with the most recent, list the schools you have attended, the diploma/degree received, and the date of graduation:

Honors or special recognition you received _____

Work Experience

Beginning with the most recent and working back, list places of employment, the number of years you were employed and your reasons for leaving. If you were employed in education, please list the grade(s) and subject(s) taught.

Teaching Certification/State _____

Student Teaching (Please list subjects and location) _____

Do you have any biblical or theological training? _____

Teaching Experience and Philosophy

Why did you decide to go into teaching?

How would you describe your teaching experiences?

Describe your philosophy of teaching.

How would you describe your style of teaching?

Personal Information

Who are your heroes/heroines?

How would your best friend describe you?

Name two of the most influential books you have read this past year and why.

How do you spend your free time (e.g. hobbies, interests)?

Personal Convictions:

Briefly describe your salvation experience and relationship with God:

What do you seek in a church fellowship?

Where do you worship? _____

Please enclose resume and references, two professional and two personal, with this application and return to Rivendell School.

Security Issues

In order to insure a safe and secure environment for the children who participate in our programs, we need the following information.

The information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize you to contact any references or organizations listed in this application and authorize such references/organizations to give you any information they may have regarding my character and fitness for working with children and/or youth. I release Rivendell School, all of its agents, and all such references and organizations from any and all liability for any damage that may result from furnishing such evaluations to you, and I waive any right that I may have to inspect references provided on my behalf.

Further, I affirm that I have neither been convicted of, nor pleaded guilty to, nor am I a subject of pending charges, for any crime or misdemeanor involving actual or attempted child abuse or neglect or sexual assault, failing to secure medical attention for an injured child, pandering, crimes against nature involving children, taking indecent liberties with children, neglect of children, obscenity offenses, or similar moral impropriety involving children, in the District of Columbia, the State of Maryland, the Commonwealth of Virginia, or in any other jurisdiction.

Since I will be working with children, I understand that I must submit to a background check by the state authorities and possible other federal or local authorities. I agree to assist Rivendell School in conducting a criminal background check, including the giving of fingerprints.

Signature _____



Affirmations of Faith

All trustees, faculty, and staff of Rivendell School affirm the historic Apostles' Creed and accept and affix their signatures to the following doctrinal affirmations:

- Belief in the one eternal God, Creator and Lord of the world, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who governs all things according to the purpose of his will;
- The unique divine inspiration, truthfulness, full trustworthiness, and authority of both the Old and New Testament Scriptures in their entirety as the only written word of God, without error in all that it affirms;
- The deity of the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself as the only ransom for sinners and is the only mediator between God and mankind;
- The necessity and efficacy of the substitutionary death of the Lord Jesus Christ for the redemption of the world;
- The historic fact of the bodily resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ;
- The presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the work of regeneration, including conviction of sin, faith in Christ, new birth and growth in the Christian maturity;
- The expectation of the personal and visible return of the Lord Jesus Christ, in power and glory, to consummate his salvation and his judgment.

By affixing my signature below, I hereby affirm and declare my acceptance of the above doctrinal affirmations.

Signature:

Date:



Statement of Educational Basis

God's Word is the basis for the child's educational experience at Rivendell. All trustees, faculty, and staff of Rivendell School accept and affix their signatures to the following as the biblical basis for Rivendell's educational philosophy:

- The Bible, God's written Word, teaches us of God; of His Word, which orders creation; of mankind as God's servant; and of Christ, the Word Incarnate, as the Redeemer.
- God's written Word tells us what to believe and how to live (Matthew 5:18-19; John 17:17; 2 Tim. 3:16-17).
- By His Word, God created the world and upholds it (John 1:1-3; Colossians 1:16-17; Hebrews 1:3). Creation has meaning in the communion of God with mankind in Christ. In the fall, mankind chose not to have this communion with God; this disobedience is sin (Romans 5:12-14).
- All of human life is religious service of one kind or another, either of God or of an idol (Romans 6:15-23). Education, therefore, is never value-free but unfolds in obedience or disobedience to the Lord.
- By His grace, Christ redeems and renews all of life, including education, from the power of sin (Romans 8:21), although sin's work forestalls the completion of this reconciliation and renewal of creation until that final day when Christ returns.
- Knowledge of God, of His Word, and of creation is the work of the Holy Spirit in human hearts and minds (John 14:26, 16:13). It is He who directs us in education according to God's Word.
- God's Word calls us to be stewards of the earth (Genesis 1:28; Genesis 2:15) by, among other things, guiding students into a deeper understanding of God's world and its history. Through this guidance, students are to attain responsible maturity that is grounded in biblical faith. They can then assume their specific life responsibilities and vocations in a manner pleasing to the Lord.
- The communal pursuit of scholarship is a matter of obedience to the Lord as it seeks to develop an appreciation of the structure of creation (Psalm 19).
- The teaching staff of the school, under the care and supervision of the school's governing authorities, is directly and communally responsible to the Lord for the execution of the educational task and to teach and act in accordance with Rivendell's Affirmations of Faith.
- The educational curriculum is the framework that unifies teachers, students, and subject matter. We follow an integral curriculum, reflecting the wholeness of God's created order.
- Parents have the responsibility for determining the spiritual direction of their children's education (Proverbs 1:8, 4:1-4, 6:20-23), and the body of educators in the Christian community has the responsibility for articulating the content of the curriculum.
- The student as an image bearer of the Lord (Genesis 1:26-27) is a whole person to be guided in the educational process toward responsible maturity and the understanding that life is meaningful when persons assume their place in society as God's stewards.

By affixing my signature below, I hereby affirm and declare my acceptance of the above Statement of Educational Basis.

Signature:

Date: