



## 2015-2016 OCA FAMILY COVENANT

A *covenant* is a binding agreement between parties. It signifies a solemn oath and sincere pledge of mutual respect and cooperation.

### **School Commitment:**

Oconee Christian Academy covenants to provide the best it can for your child(ren) in the way of facilities, curriculum, instruction, faculty, athletics, and extra-curricular programs. OCA further pledges to do everything possible to support you in your efforts to raise your child(ren) in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

### **Parent/Guardian Commitment:**

As the legal parents/guardians of our children, we covenant to support OCA in its efforts in Christian education. We agree that it is our responsibility to strive diligently toward the observance of the *Family Covenant* as God enables us by the power of the Holy Spirit. If we feel at any time that our personal convictions are not aligned with this covenant, we promise to contact the administration to discuss our concerns.

**NOTE:** Please read the following statements. If there is any statement you cannot personally support, please initial it and discuss it with us in a personal interview. Generally, your honest inability to commit to any of these items would not necessarily prohibit acceptance into OCA; however, we want you to know from the start the foundational parameters of OCA, our personal expectations, and the importance of having your personal support.

1. We agree to abide by all guidelines set forth in the handbook.
2. We have read the “Statement of Faith” found in the school handbook and are willing to have our children educated in accordance with it.
3. We have read the “Fee Schedule” found in the school handbook. We agree to pay all financial obligations in accordance with the terms listed on the current Fee Schedule. We understand that report cards, transcripts, and other records will be withheld, and our child could be suspended, unless financial accounts are in order.
4. We will support Oconee Christian Academy with our prayers, our time, our finances, and avenues of involvement as God provides the opportunity and resources.
5. We will worship the Lord regularly at a Bible-believing church.
6. We will fully cooperate in the educational activities of OCA by doing our best to make Christian education effective in the lives of our children.
7. We will require our children to support the spiritual activities of the school (chapel, Bible classes, Scripture memory, etc.).
8. The school has full discretion in the discipline of our children in accordance with the “Dress Code Policy” and the “Discipline Policy” as published in the school handbook.
9. The school reserves the right to place our child(ren) at the appropriate grade level and to designate the appropriate teacher(s).
10. The school reserves the right to dismiss any student when either the parents/guardians or the student does not cooperate with or support the enforcement of school policies.
11. We will be faithful to attend all parent functions at OCA, as best we can.
12. If we become dissatisfied with OCA in any way, we will strive to resolve the matter with the person(s) involved as privately and lovingly as possible, rather than spreading criticism and negativism. (Matthew 18: 15-17; 23-24)

**Student Commitment:**

As an OCA student, I covenant to submit to the authority of the school, its representatives, and to the final authority of the Word of God. I will respectfully follow the guidelines described in the student handbook.

It is the desire of Oconee Christian Academy that every student and school employee reflect a lifestyle pleasing to Jesus Christ. Because of this, who we are and what we do, both on and off campus, is extremely important. Since the testimony of our lives is so important, parents should insure that their children understand the guidelines found in the student handbook, and sign the following agreement that pertains to student conduct, both on and off campus, during and after school.

1. I understand and agree to submit to the guidelines described in the handbook.
2. I agree to strive for excellence as a student in all that I say and do.
3. I agree to obey the Bible in speech and conduct.
4. I agree to respect and cooperate with those in authority at the school.
5. I agree to avoid alcohol, drugs, and tobacco.
6. I agree to avoid cursing, sexual immorality, dissension, plagiarism, and other specific acts and attitudes cited in Galatians 5:19-21.
7. I agree to submit to the dress code that has been set by the school.
8. I agree to submit to the discipline policy of the school.
9. I understand that once I enroll at OCA, I am a part of OCA wherever I am. Therefore, I agree to avoid behavior, both on and off campus that would dishonor Jesus Christ, the school, my church, my family, and me.

***Both parents/guardians and student should sign:*** (Signature below signifies that you have read the 2015-16 Student Handbook in its' entirety.)

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Father's (Guardian's) Signature

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Mother's (Guardian's) Signature

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Student's Signature

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