

WHEATON SOCIETY FOR CHRISTIAN INSTRUCTION

What is it?

The Wheaton Society for Christian Instruction is the official name for the parent group that is responsible for the operation of our school. Voting privileges at the Society's annual meeting, held in March of each year, are reserved for active members of the Society. Directors are elected from its membership. This is an important organization which gives each participating family a voice in the operation and future direction of our school.

How does one become a member?

- Review the Constitution of the Society. Article Two is the Declaration of Faith the very core of what our school is about. Your signature on the application form will indicate your acceptance of the Declaration and will constitute your application for membership. To ensure voting privileges, application must be made by March 1.
- The Constitution, in Article Four, requires that each member contribute at least five dollars per person annually (July 1 to June 30) to the support of the school. If both husband and wife wish to vote, a ten dollar minimum contribution should be made.

All school families are encouraged to prayerfully consider this important privilege and responsibility.

Having received Jesus Christ as my/our personal Lord and Savior, subscribing to the Constitution's Declaration of Faith as outlined in Article Two, believing in the scriptural basis for Christian elementary education, and having fulfilled Article Four's annual donation requirement, I/we hereby apply for membership in the Wheaton Society for Christian Instruction.

Signed _____ Date _____

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Constitution of the Wheaton Society for Christian Instruction

Article One: Name

The name of this organization shall be The Wheaton Society for Christian Instruction.

Article Two: Declaration of Faith

The basis of this Society shall be the Word of God: the following declaration expresses the common faith of its membership.

DECLARATION OF FAITH

1. We believe in the Scriptures of the Old and the New Testaments as verbally inspired by God and inerrant in the original writing, and that they are of supreme and final authority in faith and life.
2. We believe in one God, eternally existing in three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
3. We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, and is true God and true man.
4. We believe that man was created in the image of God; that he sinned, and thereby incurred, not only physical death, but also that spiritual death which is separation from God; and that all human beings are born with a sinful nature, and, in the case of those who reach moral responsibility, become sinners in thought, word and deed.
5. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures, as a representative and substitutionary sacrifice; and that all who believe in Him are justified on the ground of His shed blood.
6. We believe in the resurrection of the crucified body of our Lord, in His ascension into Heaven, and in His present life there for us, as High Priest and Advocate.
7. We believe in "that blessed hope," the personal, premillennial and imminent return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
8. We believe that all who receive by faith the Lord Jesus Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit, and thereby become children of God.
9. We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved and the everlasting punishment of the lost.

In accordance with the teachings of the Word of God, this Society is committed to the following fundamental principles:

1. The instruction and education of children in the School as well as in the home must conform to the Word of God.
2. The School is an institution which properly depends on and proceeds from the home, rather than the Church or the State.