

Fountain Inn Christian School

2017-2018

# Parent Student Handbook

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## Welcome

Fountain Inn Christian School is a unique religious, educational institution that seeks to provide a quality education in a distinct Christian environment. One of the goals of Fountain Inn Christian School is to work with the parents and guardians to train Christian young men and women to be salt and light in their communities. Fountain Inn Christian School believes that the Bible is the Inspired Word of God and sets forth absolute truth by which Christians are to live. Fountain Inn Christian School expects and requires that both students and parents will support the school in its distinct mission and in its Biblical beliefs. In relying on the teachings of the Scripture,

Dear Parent,

Fountain Inn Christian School operates with the vision of providing a Christ-centered education that would nurture the Christian values students are being taught both at home and in the church. The school operates under the leadership of a Board of Directors as a non-denominational school.

Students are offered a complete educational program from K4 through twelfth grade. A variety of sports and fine arts activities are offered to enrich our student's lives and give our students the opportunity to compete on the local, state and national level.

At Fountain Inn Christian School, our commitment to excellence is exceeded only by our commitment to Jesus Christ. We seek to enroll students who will flourish in a Christian environment that challenges them spiritually, academically, socially and physically. Our goal is to maximize each child's God-given potential.

The faculty and staff are qualified and experienced Christian educators, who receive additional training each school year at educational seminars. The school is a member of the American Association of Christian Schools, South Carolina Association of Christian Schools, and has a full accreditation with the National Association of Private Schools.

Your first step towards a rewarding educational experience at Fountain Inn Christian School is to schedule an interview with our principal. Our prayer is that you will allow God to lead as you prepare for your child's future.

Sincerely,

The Administration

## **Tuition and Fees**

2017-2018

### **Registration Fees for K4 - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade**

#### **Early Registration**

For returning students if paid by March 1<sup>st</sup>...\$75.00

For new students Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> – March 1<sup>st</sup>.....\$125.00

#### **Book Fee & Curriculum**

(Due by May 1<sup>st</sup>)

Grades K4-12<sup>th</sup> .....\$200.00

For Book Fees paid after May 1<sup>st</sup> .....\$250.00

#### **Late Registration**

For registration paid after March 1<sup>st</sup> .....\$150.00

(Registration fees are due at the time of enrollment)

#### **Tuition Fees**

Grade K4 (8am to 11:45am).....\$2,000 per year

Grades K5 - 6<sup>th</sup> .....\$2,900 per year

Grades 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> .....\$3,100 per year

(Tuition fees are due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of every month)

Late Fees (after 10<sup>th</sup> of each month)

Payment received 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> of each month...\$20.00

Payment received 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> of each month...\$30.00

Payment received after the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month...\$40.00

#### **Payment Plan Options**

Full Payment (Due August 1<sup>st</sup>).....5% Discount

12 month payment plan (June to May).....2% Discount

10 month payment plan (August to May)...Full Rate

#### **K4**

10 month plan-\$200.00 (Aug-May)

12 month plan-\$163.33 (June-May)

Full payment-\$1,900 (due Aug 1)

#### **K5-6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>**

10 month plan-\$290.00 (Aug-May)

10 month plan-\$310.00 (Aug- May)

12 month plan-\$236.83 (June-May)

12 month plan-\$253.17 (June-May)

Full payment-\$2,755.00 (Due Aug 1)

Full Payment-\$2,945.00 (Due Aug 1)

#### **Family Discounts**

1<sup>st</sup> Child.....Full Rate

2<sup>nd</sup> Child.....20% Discount

3<sup>rd</sup> Child.....30% Discount

4<sup>th</sup> Child.....40% Discount

5<sup>th</sup> and each additional child.....Free

**(All children who attend free must pay registration)**

#### **Senior Pastor Discounts**

10% discount on total tuition balance. Registration fee still applies.

#### **Weekly Late Stay Rates (K5-6<sup>th</sup> grade)**

\$40.00 if your child stays less than 8 hours.

\$60.00 if your child stays more than 8 hours.

There is an extra charge of \$5.00 every 15 minutes after 6:00 PM

The registration fee helps cover the cost of insurance on each child, SCACS fees and accreditation fees.

## **ACCREDITATION AND AFFILIATIONS**

Fountain Inn Christian School is a member of the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools and the American Association of Christian Schools. It is by these associations that we are able to further teacher development and remain abreast of current methods and materials. Our students also benefit by enhanced and varied opportunities to compete and cooperate with students from other Christian schools.

Fountain Inn Christian School is accredited with the National Association of Private Schools. Accreditation does not guarantee a quality product, but rather verifies a quality process being implemented by an accredited school. There are unaccredited schools producing an outstanding educational product and accredited schools failing to do the same. Accreditation does, however, require the school to evaluate its educational process objectively.

### **ADMISSIONS**

Required for student enrollment:

1. New applicants must be interviewed by the principal/administrator with the parents or guardians.
2. New applicants will be required to take academic testing prior to admission unless standardized testing results are available. (\$25 fee may apply)
3. The enrollment form must be completed
4. A transcript of the grades must be obtained and evaluated for transfer students.
5. A copy of the S.C. Certificate of Immunization must be provided.
6. A copy of the child's birth certificate must be provided.
7. A copy of the child's social security card must be provided.
8. Five-year old kindergarten students must be five respectively before September 1 of the school year.
9. The school cannot enroll any student who has been expelled or forced to withdraw from another school or FICS.

Fountain Inn Christian School admits students of any race, color, nationality, or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, nationality, and ethnic origin in administration of educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

### **Statement of Faith**

We Believe:

In the verbal inspiration of the Bible.

In one God, eternally existing in three persons; namely, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The essential, absolute, eternal Deity; and the real and proper, but sinless, humanity of our Jesus Christ.

That Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of the Father, conceived of the Holy Ghost, and born of the Virgin Mary.

That Jesus was crucified, buried, and raised from the dead.

That He ascended to heaven and is today at the right hand of the Father as the Intercessor.

That all have sinned and come short of the glory of God and that repentance is commanded of God for all and necessary for forgiveness of sins.

In Salvation of fallen man is through the effect of regeneration by the Spirit and the Word, not by works but by grace through faith.

In the Lord's Supper and washing of the saints' feet.

That fellowship with God and fruitfulness in the Christians life is maintained by purity of life according to the Word of God.

In the premillennial second coming of Jesus. First, to resurrect the righteous dead and to catch away the living saints to Him in the air.

Second, to reign on the earth a thousand years.

In the bodily resurrection; eternal life for the righteous and eternal punishment for the wicked.

Fountain Inn Christian School supports the following scriptures in the Bible concerning sexual immorality. Leviticus 18:22 states that thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it's an abomination, I Corinthians 6:9 states that neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind shall inherit the Kingdom of God. Other passages concerning this would -be Romans 1:24-27, Leviticus 20:13, and Mark 10: 6-9.

Fountain Inn Christian School believes that the Bible prohibits sexual immorality of any type, including but not limited to pornography, homosexuality, or any other sexual activity outside the marriage of one man and one woman. On those occasions in

which a particular home or student is acting counter to or in opposition to the Biblical beliefs and lifestyle that the school teaches, the school reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to refuse admission to an applicant or to discontinue enrollment of a current student. This includes, but not limited to, living in, condoning, or supporting any form of sexual immorality; practicing or promoting a homosexual lifestyle or alternative gender identity; or otherwise having the inability to support the moral principles of the school as stated in this letter and the school handbook.

### **ATTENDANCE**

The South Carolina State Law requires that a student must be in attendance a minimum of 170 days of school per year. The 170-day rule will be enforced, except in cases of serious illnesses when certified by a physician and/or absences that are due to an emergency situation approved by the Administrator as excusable.

#### **EXCUSED ABSENCES:**

1. Illness or injury that is certified by a doctor's statement.
2. Death in the immediate family.
3. Court or legal proceedings.
4. School functions or activities.

#### **UNEXCUSED ABSENCES:**

1. Willingly absences.
2. Unacceptable cause absences such as a family vacation.

When a student returns to school after being absent, he is required to bring a written excuse to the school office, signed by the parent or guardian. A doctor's statement must be present for a medical excuse. Students are expected to make up all missed work for any absence. In the case of a planned unexcused absence, such as a family trip, the office must be notified in advance in order for missed assignments to be made up. Students arriving to school later than 11:30 AM will be counted absent for the day. Students leaving prior to 11:30 AM will be counted absent for the day. A student with a temperature of 100 degrees or above will be allowed to remain in school. Parents will be called to pick up the student at school. We will follow all DHEC guidelines and regulations concerning contagious disease.

A student who has an unexcused absence for the day may not participate in extracurricular school

activities. Students arriving to school later than 8:00AM will need to obtain a late pass from the school office. Three unexcused tardies will count as one unexcused absence. A student absent more than the allowed ten (10) days may be retained for the year, and/or subject to summer school in order to move to the next grade. Work missed because of absence can be made up on the student's return to school. Teachers are granted discretion in setting deadlines for make-up work. All work missed during an unexcused absence may be entered as zero credit. Students are allowed to miss ten days of school and can miss only ten days per course or class period. Any absences in the excess of the ten days will be at the discretion of the administrator. Any K-6<sup>th</sup> grade student who has more than ten early dismissals will be subject to summer school and all dismissals above ten will be at the discretion of the administrator.

### **SCHOOL HOURS**

Fountain Inn Christian School will operate between 8:00 AM until 2:30 PM for grades K5 – 6<sup>th</sup> and from 8:00 AM until 3:00 PM for grades 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **DROP OFF/PICK UP**

Students are not allowed on school grounds before 7:30 AM. Students arriving late for class must check in with the school office before going to class. Early pick ups must be signed out by an authorized person before they may leave campus. Any person leaving their vehicle to pick up a child or visit the school office should be modestly dressed. Please do not park in the car line.

### **VISITORS**

Parents and other visitors are welcome at Fountain Inn Christian School. Parents and visitors must first report to the school office before visiting any class or any other location on campus during school hours.

### **INSURANCE**

Included in the enrollment fee for each child is coverage for accident insurance, which covers each child while on school grounds or during any activity under school supervision.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Policies and regulations are given to govern student activities and student participation in extracurricular activities such as sports, clubs, etc.

Students must maintain an overall "C" average. Students cannot fail more than one subject and cannot fail Bible. Student's grades will be evaluated at the end of each grading period. Ineligible students will be rechecked two weeks following the previous grading period and cannot participate at any practices or games or attend. At any time at the administrator's discretion a student can be removed from the team for poor academics and achievement.

### **EMERGENCY DRILLS**

Emergency drills will be held at regular intervals. Such practice is important and should be approached seriously.

### **FIELD TRIPS**

Field trips are an extension of the regular school day and are intended to be educational in nature. Students are expected to participate. Parents will be informed in advance of the nature and location of the planned field trip. Parents may be asked to assist, provided their schedule will allow it. The same level of discipline and the school dress code will be enforced during a trip. All parents that attend a field trip will need to fill out a form in the office concerning a background check.

### **HEALTH SERVICES**

Students who become ill during the school day will be given proper care at the office or will be sent home. The office staff is not authorized to prescribe or give medication. If a student must take prescription medication during the school day, the medicine, along with the doctor's directions, must be brought to the office as soon as the student arrives at school.

Students who need non-prescription medication such as Tylenol, Pepto-Bismol, or cough drops must have permission from their parents. Parents must bring in the medication and fill out the proper medication form provided in the office. No medication is to be in a student's possession during the school day. FICS will not supply medication to students.

If your child should develop a contagious disease, please notify the school immediately. Do not send a child to school with a fever, diarrhea, or other

symptoms of a contagious disease. The child should have a normal temperature without fever-reducing medication for 24 hours before returning to school.

A student with a temperature of 100 degrees or above will not be allowed to remain in school.

Parents will be called to pick up the student at school. We will follow all DHEC guidelines and regulations concerning contagious disease.

### **EXTENDED DAY**

After school care is available for students in grades K-5 - 6<sup>th</sup> until 6:00 PM. Please check with the school office for hourly rates. All students not picked up by 3:15 must go to late stay. There is an extra charge of \$5.00 every 15 minutes after 6:00 PM.

### **CLOSING OF SCHOOL**

**School will be closed or delayed for inclement weather when Greenville County Schools are closed or delayed. WYFF News channel 4 will carry all school closings.**

### **ACADEMICS**

In grades K5-12<sup>th</sup> any student that receives a yearly grade of F in three academic subjects will automatically be retained. If a student receives an F in two subjects, one being English or math, the student will have to make up the loss in summer school or in an approved tutorial program.

### **HIGH SCHOOL 9-12 Classification of students:**

**Freshman** : A student who has successfully completed the requirements to pass the eighth grade.

**Sophomore** : A student who has completed 5 credits by the end of the freshman year.

**Junior** : A student who has completed 10 credits by the end of the sophomore year.

**Senior** : A student who has completed 15 credits by the end of the junior year.



## **GRADUATE POLICY**

Students will not be allowed to participate in a graduation ceremony if there is an outstanding balance on tuition or any other charges to the school. Also, a student cannot participate in a graduation ceremony if they have failed two or more classes their senior year. They can participate with one failed class but will not receive their diploma until summer school is completed. Finally, any student that is expelled from FICS will not graduate from FICS and the school will not Homeschool with this student. The date of expulsion will be of no importance, as the policy will be that if a student is expelled at any time during their senior year, they will not graduate from FICS.

## **GRADING SCALE/HONOR ROLL**

A 90- 100

B 80 - 89

C 70 - 79

D 60 - 69

F 0 - 59

Students are honored for their academic achievements at the end of each nine-week period. Honor Rolls are posted for straight "A's" and the A/B Honor Roll.

## **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

A student must earn a total of 24 units of credit distributed as follows:

English/Language Arts - 4 Units

U.S. History and Constitution - 1 Unit

Economics (½ Unit), Government (½ Unit) - 1 Unit

Other Social Studies - 1 Unit

Mathematics - 4 Units

Science - 3 Units

Physical Education or ROTC - 1 Unit

Computer Science (Including Keyboarding) - 1 Unit

Foreign Language or Occupational Education - 1 Unit

Electives - 7 Units

Total of 24 Units

\*Bible is a required class each year for all students at FICS.

FICS will send a total of two transcripts to the college of your choosing at no charge. After the first two transcripts are sent there will be a \$5.00 charge for each thereafter.

## **AMERICAN CHRISTIAN HONOR SOCIETY**

### **(Grades 10-12)**

Students must have semester/final avg 90 or higher (1-"C" accepted) and must not have any behavior issues. The administrator will approve of all eligible classes.

## **ACADEMIC HONORS**

The Valedictorian and Salutatorian must have attended FICS for all semesters of their Junior and Senior year and must be on the College Prep track. The Valedictorian will have the highest overall GPA, while the Salutatorian will have the second highest overall GPA. If there is a tie in the GPA calculation, numeric average from college prep classes their senior year will be used to determine this honor.

## **CURRICULUM**

Our curriculum at Fountain Inn Christian School is a combination of A-Beka and Bob Jones. The program includes the core curriculum of language, mathematics, social studies, and science. Students also have the opportunity to develop skills in our computer lab and can also receive instruction in art, music, physical education, and foreign language. Christian character is integrated throughout the curriculum.

## **REPORT CARDS/PROGRESS REPORTS**

Report cards are issued 4 times each year to give students and parents an accurate indication of progress. Report cards will record grades, attendance, and conduct.

Progress reports will be issued midway through each nine-week grading period.

## **PTM (PARENT-TEACHER MEETING)**

PTM is scheduled once each nine-week period. These dates are listed in the school calendar. Please plan to attend for the benefit of your child.



## **CONDUCT**

Fountain Inn Christian School is an orderly, disciplined school where students are responsible and accountable for their behavior. Students are expected to respect themselves, each other and their teachers. A child that refuses to respond to our disciplinary measures and continues to be a disruption will be asked to withdraw. The school will not administer corporal punishment but instead use detention, suspension, or expulsion. Other methods of discipline will also include revoking of privileges and extra work.

If an infraction occurs not listed on the conduct list, it will be handled at the discretion of the teacher or principal. Also, students are expected to represent FICS in a Christian manner away from school. Students can be held responsible for their actions away from school, and will be asked to withdraw if the administration feels that they do not fit into the spirit of the school which is discussed in the student application.

## **DISCIPLINARY CODES**

### ***No books/materials for class/homework not completed:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-notify parents, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-1 hr. detention, 3<sup>rd</sup> offense-1 day OSS

### ***PDA:***

Hugging/holding hands-1 hr. detention, kissing-1 day OSS

### ***Tobacco:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-2 day OSS, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-possible expulsion

### ***Disrespect/Bad attitude:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-1 day OSS, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense- 3 days OSS, 3<sup>rd</sup> offense-possible expulsion

### ***Dress Code violation:***

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-go home and change, 3<sup>rd</sup> offense-1 day OSS

### ***Gum/Candy/Food in class:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-5-page paper, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-1 hr. detention, 3<sup>rd</sup> offense-2 hr. detention

### ***Removal from class:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-1 hr. detention, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-1 day OSS

### ***Cell phone:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-confiscate/notify parent, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-1 hr. detention, 3<sup>rd</sup> offense-2 hr. detention

4<sup>th</sup> offense-1 day OSS

### ***Destruction of property:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-reimburse for damage, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-reimburse and 2 days OSS

### ***Horseplay:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-notify parent, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-1 hr. detention

### ***Fighting/Slapping/Pushing:***

1 week of OSS

### ***Disruptive/Disobedience/Excessive talking:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-5-page paper, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-1 hr. detention, 3<sup>rd</sup> offense-2 hrs. detention

### ***Hats: (No allowed on campus at any time)***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-confiscate and notify parent, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-1 hr. detention,

3<sup>rd</sup> offense-2 hrs. detention

### ***Cheating:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-0 on work and 1 hr. detention, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-0 and 1 day OSS

### ***Hair violation:***

Notify parent and must be taken care of

### ***Throwing rocks/sticks:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-notify parent and 1 hr. detention, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-1 day OSS

### ***Loud music in vehicle:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-notify parent and 1 hr. detention, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense- 2 hrs. detention

### ***Racial slur:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense- 3 days OSS, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-possible expulsion

### ***Stealing:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-1 day OSS, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-possible expulsion

***Bullying/Harassment:***

Will be addressed and turned over to the police department if necessary.

***Profanity/lewd comments:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-1 day OSS, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-possible expulsion

***Late to class/Parking lot:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-verbal reprimand, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-1 hr. detention,

3<sup>rd</sup> offense-temporary removal from class, 4<sup>th</sup> offense-1 day OSS, 5<sup>th</sup> offense-3 days OSS

***Throwing items in class:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-5-page paper, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-1 hr. detention, 3<sup>rd</sup> offense- 2 hrs. detention

***Skiping Class:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-1 day OSS, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-3 days OSS

***Fireworks:***

1 day OSS

***Inappropriate texting or posting on internet and obscene material:***

Discretion of Administration

***Blankets: (Not allowed on campus at any time)***

1<sup>st</sup> offense-1 hr. detention, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-2 hrs. detention

***Automobile violation:***

1<sup>st</sup> offense- 1 hr. detention, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense-lose driving privilege for one week

3<sup>rd</sup> offense-lose driving privilege permanently

***The following are not to be brought to school:***

Pagers, knives, razors, play guns, fireworks, matches, cigarette lighters, cards, magazines, and electronic devices such as DVD/CD players, MP3 players, iPods, and cameras. Cameras are allowed for members of the yearbook staff with the advisor's authorization.

**AUTOMATIC EXPULSION**

Possession or use of illegal drugs, threatening faculty or staff member, possession of a weapon,

possession of alcoholic beverages, Vandalism, Immorality

**DETENTION**

Students can be issued after school detention from 3pm-4pm for behavior problems. The cost will be \$10.00 for each detention as we must pay an adult to supervise. Our goal is to have an orderly classroom and school, and the administration feels that detention will be a help in improving a student's behavior. Detention will be assigned according to the conduct list and at the discretion of the administrator.

**HARASSMENT/ANTI BULLYING POLICY**

FICS intends to provide it employees, volunteers, and students an environment that is free of offensive kinds of behavior. Conduct, whether intentional or unintentional, that subjects another person to unwanted attention, comments, actions, or robs the person of dignity, is unlawful and contrary to scripture and therefore is not permitted.

FICS does not condone or allow bullying or harassment of others, whether by employees, supervisors, students, or other persons who may be present in our facilities. All students, employees, and volunteers are expected to conduct themselves with respect for the dignity of others on school property, or at any school function or school-sponsored activity. Harassment and bullying are defined as any electronics, written, verbal, or physical act or conduct toward another person which is: Based on any or the following actual or perceived traits or characteristics: age, color, creed, national origin, race, religion, marital status, sex, physical attributes, physical or mental ability or disability, ancestry, political party preference, political belief, socioeconomic status, or familial status and creates an objectively hostile school environment that meets one or more of the following conditions

- Place a person in reasonable fear of harm to person or property
- Has a substantially detrimental effect on the person's physical or mental health
- Has the effect of substantially interfering with academic or job performance
- Has the effect of substantially interfering with the person's ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the school.



## **SEXUAL HARASSMENT**

1. Sexual harassment is defined as follows:
2. Unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, or otherwise creating an intimidating, uncomfortable, hostile working or learning environment.

Any person who believes he has been subject to bullying or harassment should report it immediately to an appropriate superior. A student may report to a teacher or administrator, as well as discussing the incident with student's parent or guardian. An employee may report to an administrator or a school board member. However, the Administration is responsible for receiving report and ensuring this policy is implemented.

Any person who is determined to have violated this policy will be subject to corrective action and discipline, including the possibility of termination (for employees), or expulsion (for students).

## **DRESS CODE**

While no attempt is made to dictate fashion or style, we believe there is a correlation between a person's attitude and attire. Cleanliness and proper dress are important to each school day for social conduct and interaction.

### **BOYS**

- 1) May wear dress or casual shorts (top of the knee, no beachwear, no bike type, no cut offs or athletic type), jeans or slacks (cannot be torn, ripped, sagging, or tight fitting).
- 2) Belts are required for grades 5<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> at all times.
- 3) T-shirts can be worn. The guidelines for T-shirts are as follows: must be a name brand, sports teams, religious or promote FICS and come no farther down than the belt area.
- 4) Tank top, shorts, and clothing with alcohol, tobacco, profanity, or any discriminatory or inflammatory display are not allowed.
- 5) Chains and necklaces are permitted but must be small in size.
- 6) Gothic style dress is not permitted, which would include large chains and odd style clothing.
- 7) Hair color must be a natural color.

8) No athletic pants of any type allowed. (i.e., warm-up pants, sweat pants, wind pants)

9) Tattoos are not permitted at FICS. If a student already has a tattoo, it must be approved by the administration. If a student obtains a tattoo after enrollment at FICS this will be grounds for dismissal.

10) Boys are not allowed to wear earrings.

11) Boy's hair is too be kept off the shirt collar, out of the eyes, and off the ears. Hair on the top must be kept at an acceptable length. (Administrator's discretion)

12) Mustaches and beards must be kept neatly trimmed.

13) Sideburns are not allowed to be below the earlobe.

14) Body piercings are not allowed.

15) Headwear (hats, sunglasses, do-rags, bandannas, etc.) is not permitted at school.

16) Sandals and flip flops are permitted at school. However, your child will need a change of shoes for recess and PE classes due to safety reasons.

### **GIRLS**

- 1) May wear dress or casual shorts (top of the knee, no beachwear, no bike type, no cut offs or athletic type), jeans or slacks (cannot be torn, ripped, sagging, or tight fitting) Capri's can be worn. Culottes and gauchos can be worn to the knee and must be loose fitting and baggy.
- 2) Blouses and tops must meet the waistband at all times.
- 3) Shoulder straps must be at least three inches wide.
- 4) Blouses and tops must be modest at all times. (no cleavage should be seen)
- 5) T-shirts can be worn. The guidelines for T-shirts are as follows: must be a name brand, sports teams, religious or promote FICS and come no farther down than the belt area.
  - 6) Skirts are allowed. The skirt needs to come to the top of the knee. If the skirt has a split, the split must not exceed the top of the knee. Tank top, halter-tops, fish net shirts and clothing with alcohol, tobacco, profanity, or any discriminatory or inflammatory display are not allowed.

7) Chains, necklaces and earrings are permitted but must be small.

8) Gothic style dress is not permitted, which would include large chains and odd style clothing.

9) Girls may have only two earrings in each ear. No ear gauges.

10) Hair color must be a natural color.

11) No athletic pants of any type allowed. (i.e., warm-up pants, sweat pants, wind pants)

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### **SCHOOL FORMAL EVENT DRESS CODE**

**(Sports Banquet, Prom, Homecoming etc.)**

**1) Nothing backless below the shoulder blade.**

**2) Strapless must wear a shawl or jacket at all times.**

**3) No cleavage.**

**4) Dress length must cover the top of the knee, splits can't be higher than the knee.**



### **SCHOOL SPORTS GAME DRESS CODE**

1) Clothing must be modest and appropriate.

2) Shorts are allowed but are not to be more than 2 inches above the knee.

3) Tank tops are allowed if it is not see through, shows no cleavage and meets the waistband.

### **AUTOMOBILES**

It is a privilege to be able to drive an automobile to school; therefore, each driver must abide by the following requirements:

1. All student-driven vehicles must be registered in the school office.

2. Vehicles are to be parked in designated areas only.

3. Each driver should practice courteous driving habits.

4. Vehicles are not to be borrowed or loaned to other students.

### **BIBLE**

The school curriculum calls for the Authorized King James Version of the Bible, therefore only this version will be acceptable at school.

### **LUNCH**

Our school lunch menu will include a variety of hot sandwiches, snacks, and beverages. A menu will be sent home with each student. Only seniors can leave for lunch and must return on time to class.

### **CHAPEL**

Each week we have a planned chapel program for all students. This is a time of inspiration, devotion, and worship.

### **WITHDRAWAL**

A parent withdrawing a student from school must meet with the principal and complete a withdrawal form. Report cards and school records will not be released until all bills are paid in full.

## **FICS PARENTAL CODE**

Our parents play a vital role in the total program of Fountain Inn Christian School. Emphasis again and again has been placed upon the importance of parents cooperating with the school for the education of a child. We like to believe that the following code, when subscribed to by all our parents, would make FICS a school that would truly honor the Lord and produce the finest education possible.

1. I will pray regularly for the teachers and administration
2. I will cooperate fully in the educational function of FICS, doing my best to make Christian education effective in the life of each of my children, that they may love and serve the Lord Jesus Christ for all their lives.
3. I will pay all my financial obligations to the school on or before the date they are due. If I am unable to pay on time, I will notify the school in advance, giving reasonable explanation for the delay and stating when the payment can be made.
4. I will support the school by gifts in addition to my tuition payments as the Lord enables me.
5. I will assume volunteer duties and responsibilities as opportunities arise and as God provides strength and time.
6. I will attend periodic meetings and parents' functions of the school.
7. I will strive to have my child punctual to all school functions.
8. If I become dissatisfied with FICS in any respect, I will try to resolve the matter with the person or persons involved rather than seek to spread criticism or hold a negative attitude in my heart. I will not criticize the school before my children. I will follow the biblical information found in Matthew 18:15.
9. I will seek the advancement of FICS in all areas: spiritually, academically and physically.

10. As a FICS parent, I recognize it is my privilege and responsibility to strive diligently to observe the above as God enables me by the power of the Holy Spirit.

## **PARENT'S STATEMENT OF COOPERATION**

It is my understanding that the policy of the school is to make no refunds on registration fees or any part of the monthly tuition. A parent must sign a permission slip for their child to take part in all school activities, school sponsored trips away from the school premises, and absolve the school from liability to me or my child at school during any school activity.

I agree that the school payments are due the first of the month, payable by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the same month. A \$20.00 late fee will be added on the 10<sup>th</sup>.



## **A CLOSING STATEMENT**

God has ordained two institutions to educate the child: the home and the church. The education given by our school is based upon the foundation laid by parents at home. The Word of God is clear that education begins in the home (Gen. 18:19; Deut. 6:7; Prov. 22:6; Eph. 6:4; II Tim. 1:4; 3:15). It is our desire to work in cooperation with parents who understand their God-given responsibility to teach their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord. The families of our students are always welcome to attend the services of Fountain Inn Church of God, which sponsors Fountain Inn Christian School. Our administration invites parents to contact us at any time to discuss the educational or spiritual needs of your child.