

Statement of Core Values

The core values at Milford Christian Academy encompass honor, servanthood & community service, stewardship, leadership and godly relationships to one another all under the banner of excellence. These values serve two purposes. The first purpose is to set a standard, expectation and atmosphere at MCA that honors God. The second purpose is to serve as goals that we can pursue in a spirit of excellence. The following Scriptures encourage us to strive for excellence, Romans 16: 19, 2 Peter 1:5, and 1 Timothy 1:5. We recognize that not every student will achieve A+ grades, but every student, staff member and parent can demonstrate excellence at his/her God given ability level. We sincerely recognize that these characteristics will only find their completion when Christ returns; however, they are the expected chosen lifestyle by those pursuing their education at MCA.

The Core Values include.....

1. Honor:

- Definition: To give high esteem and respect to all people, and to ideals that manifest noble character.
- Ephesians 5: 21 "Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ."
- We consider integrity, punctuality, speech, manners, dress, and property as important indicators of a commitment to character development.
- We also regard our orientation of our attitudes as the first opportunity to honor God and secondly, how we honor one another.

2. Servanthood:

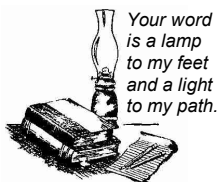
- Definition: The act of voluntarily attending to one another.
- Philippians 2: 1 – 11 encourages us to "take on the same attitude as Christ, that of a servant."
- Community Service is a traditional piece of the curriculum at MCA. Students are expected to serve with classmates on designated community service days, with a willing heart.
- Developing the attitude of a servant is the lifestyle of the school community. Serving others is not just an event to be done on special days, but it is the goal to be conscious of the daily needs of others including students, staff, family and your community.

3. Stewardship:

- Definition: Manager of a household or of property, used of Christians, or of the affairs of God.
- Psalm 8:6 "The works of our hands show the character of Christ"
- James 2:22 "You see that his faith and his actions were working together, and his faith was made complete by what he did."
- Genesis 2:15 "The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it."
- Colossians 3: 23 "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men."
- MCA students have daily chores which are to be completed as management of the school and a continual responsibility for personal property.

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4. Leadership:

- Definition: To show the way
- Matthew 28 : Be a disciple, make a disciple
- Each student is to be both a learner and a mentor. As learners, we should seek out someone who exhibits Christ likeness and possesses the qualities we desire. As mentors, we need to seek to pass on what we have learned and share our God given gifts.
- MCA views the student body as continually growing in leadership skills, progressively through grades 1-12. Each grade has a leadership role with respect to the grades below them; therefore, the senior class takes on the largest leadership role in all aspects of the core values.
- Leadership Conferences and Retreats are an integral part of the curriculum as a means of training our students in leadership.

5. MCA Community Relationships:

- Deuteronomy 6 – obeying and passing on God’s commandments within the family
- Romans 12 – preferring one another in love
- 1 Corinthians – freedom in the Lord to love, serve and worship
- We strive to operate in the Spirit of Christ, caring and preferring one another relationally, understanding the authorities we have been given and those we are under.
- The staff and the parents partner together, submitting to each other under God, and the student is under the authority of both the parent and the teacher together.
- Our goal is that our relationships are mature enough that we can operate under the spirit of the law.
- PDE: Parents are the key to success at MCA. Their involvement and participation in classroom and school activities are crucial, as well as their partnership with the staff.
- PAC: Parent Advisory Council is the organization that builds community and advances the mission of the school.
- Staff: The teachers and staff are responsible for the operation of the school, the curriculum, the grading and the classroom management.

I _____ will choose to pursue the core values of Milford Christian Academy in order to honor God, my parents, and the school in a spirit of pure love, a clear conscience, and sincere faith.

Student Signature

Date

Parental Signature

Date

School Administration/Staff Signature

Date