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CENTER PLACE RESTORATION SCHOOL

Board of Trustees Disclaimer

Since our inception, Center Place Restoration School has made our facility available to many Restoration organizations for various uses. CPRS relies upon the revenue generated by the rental of our facility. The school has budgeted these monies as a part of our anticipated operating income. These organizations have included the Conference of Restoration Elders, Pastors of Zion, Book of Mormon Foundation, African Restoration Ministries, and Greater European Ministries. Although CPRS does allow our facility to be used by these and other groups, this does not constitute an endorsement of any of these organizations.

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INTRODUCTION TO CPRS

Center Place Restoration School was founded in 1991 by the efforts of Restoration Branches across the country. The goal of our school is to provide quality education, along with teaching the gospel according to the Holy Scriptures, Book of Mormon, and Doctrine & Covenants. We believe that as the staff and school maintain these goals, the Lord will provide the growth and the means as He sees fit.

In the Scriptures, we are told that children are a heritage of the Lord. They belong to Him. Parents are responsible to God for the education of His children. Center Place Restoration School seeks to join forces with our Restoration families to produce a righteous generation.

The entire faculty, staff, and school board are dedicated to serving the Lord through the ministry of teaching young people. Our faculty is well-qualified, both spiritually and academically. Each member has been carefully selected and prayerfully chosen by the School Administrator. Please pray for them daily.

The school consists of Elementary (K-5), Middle School (6-8), and High School (9-12) levels. We are looking forward to a profitable year at Center Place Restoration School. We request your prayers as we seek to make our ministry one that is beneficial and truly God-honoring, and a testimony to all those around us.

MISSION STATEMENT

Center Place Restoration School's purpose is to:

- * provide an education which instills a desire for Godly character;
- * lead children to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ;
- * equip students with the skills necessary to excel in society and assist in the establishment of Zion.

OUR PURPOSE

We consider children to be a gift and blessing from God, and the future of the Restoration movement. It is our desire to be responsive to the needs of parents by assisting them in the educational process (Galatians 4:2). We are presently attempting to serve those needs in the following ways:

- 1) Education which will instill a desire for Godly character and equip students with skills necessary to excel in society. II Peter 1:6-7 makes it clear to us that faith and virtue should precede knowledge in the educational process.
- 2) Provide for children an alternative to the coarse and often threatening peer relationships in other environments.
- 3) Teach children about God's love for them, man's need for redemption, and the wonderful promise of hope in Christ's gospel.
- 4) Lead children to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, a daily reliance on the Holy Spirit through prayer, and a love of God's word. Christ's church is founded on the principle that God continues to reveal His will to man. Therefore, it is important that each child learn a sensitivity to the Spirit and learn to ask God in faith when he or she lacks wisdom.
- 5) Teach effective witnessing skills. Effective witnessing begins with learning to love all people. It also involves the student's ability to build on commonalities, and share his testimony with an unbelieving world in a loving, intelligent, and convincing manner.
- 6) Instill a servant's heart by encouraging students to initiate avenues of service to others. Stewardship involves measuring our lives by the contribution we can make and not by the remuneration we will receive (Romans 12:1-2 and Alma 12:33-37).

Center Place Restoration School seeks to provide the best education possible by addressing the needs of the whole child. We seek to help each student understand that God loves him; that God has a plan for his life; and that each person is accountable to God to achieve his highest potential

EPITOME OF FAITH

We believe in God the Eternal Father, and in His Son Jesus Christ, and in the Holy Ghost.

We believe that men will be punished for their own sins, and not for Adam's transgression.

We believe that through the atonement of Christ, all mankind may be saved by obedience to the laws and ordinances of the gospel.

We believe that these ordinances are: 1st - Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ; 2nd - Repentance; 3rd - Baptism by immersion for the remission of sins; 4th - Laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost.

We believe that a man must be called of God by "prophecy, and by laying on of hands" by those who are in authority to preach the gospel and administer in the ordinances thereof.

We believe in the same organization that existed in the primitive church; viz.: apostles, prophets, pastors, teachers, evangelists, etc.

We believe in the gift of tongues, prophecy, revelation, visions, healing, interpretation of tongues, etc.

We believe the Bible to be the word of God as far as it is translated correctly; we also believe the Book of Mormon to be the word of God.

We believe all that God has revealed, all that He does now reveal, and we believe that He will yet reveal many great and important things pertaining to the kingdom of God.

We believe in the literal gathering of Israel and in the restoration of the Ten Tribes — that Zion will be built upon this continent — that Christ will reign personally upon the earth, and that the earth will be renewed and receive its paradisaic glory.

We claim the privilege of worshiping Almighty God according to the dictates of our conscience, and allow all men the same privilege, let them worship how, where, or what they may.

We believe in being subject to kings, presidents, rulers, and magistrates — in obeying, honoring, and sustaining the law.

We believe in being honest, true, chaste, benevolent, virtuous, and in doing good to all men; indeed, we may say that we follow the admonition of Paul, "we believe all things, we hope all things," we have endured many things, and hope to be able to endure all things. If there is anything virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praiseworthy, we seek after these things.

Respectfully, etc.,

Joseph Smith

(Church History, Vol. 2, pp. 569, 570 / Times and Seasons, Vol. 3, pp. 709, 710)

PARENTS' COVENANT

- 1) I will pray for the faculty, staff, and administration at CPRS.
- 2) In our home, we will attempt to praise our children as they grow in character and give credit to God for His blessings in their lives. Praise will far outweigh any criticism that is heard.
- 3) I will take an active interest in CPRS and consider it my obligation to share positive input with teachers and administration. When concerns arise, it is the duty of parents, teachers, and administration to frankly, yet humbly, communicate those concerns directly to the parties involved for the welfare of the children (i.e., Parental Appeal Process).
- 4) I will meet all of my financial obligations to the school as prescribed by Board policy. If possible, I will serve as a volunteer and contribute financially beyond my obligations as God directs me in the use of my stewardship.
- 5) As a parent, I will support and comply with the rules and guidelines given in the Parent/Student Handbook.
- 6) When coming to the school, I will dress appropriately for the situation, will follow all handbook rules, posted rules and regulations, and will conduct myself in a kind and Christ-like manner.

TEACHERS' COVENANT

- 1) I will pray for CPRS students and their families.
- 2) In the classroom, I will attempt to praise students as they grow in Godly character and give credit to God for His blessings in their lives. Praise will far outweigh any criticism that is heard.
- 3) As a teacher at CPRS, I appreciate the opportunity to convey to children a message of love, redemption, and hope through Jesus Christ.
- 4) It is my hope that children will be led to understand their need for Christ and the need to commit their lives more fully to Him as the Holy Spirit touches their lives in the classroom.
- 5) I want the children I teach to understand that God continues to reveal His will to man and that He answers prayer.
- 6) I want students to learn to love God's word, and to learn that it has a meaningful and practical application to their daily lives.
- 7) I will encourage those who are committed to Christ's restored gospel to view their school experience as a means to prepare themselves for service to others and develop a more effective witness of Him.
- 8) When concerns arise for individual students, it is my duty to frankly, yet humbly, communicate those concerns directly to parents and administration as appropriate. It is not appropriate for me to convey a negative image of CPRS or students to others through distortion or an incomplete account of events.
- 9) As a teacher, I understand the importance of the rules given in this Parent/Student Handbook and in the Faculty Handbook, and will comply with the guidelines contained therein.

STUDENTS' COVENANT

- 1) I have read the CPRS Parent/Student Handbook and will obey and comply with all rules and regulations.
- 2) I will show proper respect to administration, faculty, support staff, fellow students, and others. If there are difficulties or disagreements, I will follow scriptural counsel for resolving problems, and will follow the directions listed in the Parent/Student Handbook.
- 3) I will strive to keep my conduct above reproach by living, as best I can, the example set by Jesus.
- 4) I will respect the property of others and the entire CPRS facility, in order to help keep it clean and presentable.
- 5) I realize that attending CPRS is a privilege, not a right, and that privilege may be withdrawn if I do not fulfill this Student's Covenant.
- 6) I will not display attitudes, conduct, speech, or objects that are not in harmony with school guidelines.

CODE OF COVENANT RESULTS

The results we hope for from the covenant are:

- 1) A people who are concerned about their personal relationship with our Heavenly Father, and daily walk with Him.
- 2) A people who are concerned about the spiritual welfare and development of others.
- 3) A people whose daily actions and speech reflect a Zionite life.
- 4) A people who understand and accept the consequences of their behavior.
- 5) A people whose personal standards and ideals reflect Zionite goals.

Attending CPRS is a privilege, and parents and students who chose not to support the standards, goals, and objectives of CPRS will need to consider an alternative educational program.

“March Onward Zion’s Youth”

CPRS School Hymn

*Today we come before the throne in humble reverence bowed
to dedicate this Holy place, that it will be endowed
not only as a testimony of Thy wondrous power,
but for the sake of Zion’s youth in this, the final hour.*

Chorus:

*For the summons has been sounded – can you hear the battle cry?
God is raising up His army and the victory draweth nigh.
Rise up and take a stand today for righteousness and truth.
Lift high the flag of freedom now.
March onward, Zion’s youth!*

*The Spirit dwells within each room and through each sacred hall,
for more than simply mortar, stone, and wood – each hallowed wall
has been erected, built, and placed for this appointed time
when Zion’s youth would heed the call and enter courts sublime.*

(Chorus)

*For the tender lives that come here now, we pray the shield of faith.
Daily may they walk with God and see Him face to face.
And for the teachers that will teach them now,
grant wisdom, truth, and light.
May they speak with the tongues of angels
as they teach with power and might.*

(Words and lyrics to this song were inspired by the Lord.)

**CENTER PLACE
RESTORATION SCHOOL**

SPIRIT SONG

We are from Center Place Restoration School,
Our daily walk of faith: "The Golden Rule."
We have respect for everyone we see.
We are the GOLDEN EAGLES, so we follow faithfully
The laws of God and Christ, His Son.
We want our hearts and minds to be as one.
Dear Father, help us as we work and play,
Day by day, to find Your way! HEY!!