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Preschool Handbook

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A DISTINCTIVE PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Why should you send your child to Master's Academy?

A DISTINCTIVE MISSION

The emphasis of our preschool program is to nurture, in each child, a love for God, for others, and for learning.

PARENT/SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

Deuteronomy 6 clearly assigns to parents the responsibility for teaching their children. That passage describes God-centered instruction encompassing all of life – not merely academics! Our desire is to partner with our preschoolers' parents in that kind of Biblical education.

Noah Webster provides a wonderful definition of this kind of education: "instruction and discipline...intended to enlighten the understanding, correct the temper, and form the manners and habits of youth, and fit them for usefulness in their future stations." He goes on to state that "religious education is indispensable." [*American Dictionary of the English Language* (1828)]

This kind of partnership requires constant communication. Your child will bring home a **Monday Memo** each week to keep you abreast of classroom activities. Teachers welcome parental involvement and contact.

CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW

The preschool years are vitally important in the Christian nurture of children, as basic values are instilled and developed. Daily classroom devotions are perhaps the most important activity in our preschool, as we draw the foundation for faith from God's Word. Preschool teachers reinforce these "basics of the faith" and help children apply them as they grow in understanding of God's design for relationship with Him and with others.

It is our desire that our preschool students matriculate into our Lower School, where we can continue to lay and build upon the foundation of a Christian worldview. It is critically important that students learn how to "[take] every thought captive to the obedience of Christ" (I Corinthians 10:5). As parents, we should not be content that our children learn how to "fit in" to our culture. It is our desire that our students be trained to transform our culture, by applying the Word of God to all aspects of life. (Romans 12:1-2)

SMALL CLASS SIZE

We believe God creates each individual specially and uniquely. Our low child to staff ratios enable the teacher to identify that individuality and to develop a nurturing relationship with each child. It also allows for the close supervision and safety of your child.

CHARACTERISTICS OF MASTER'S ACADEMY PRESCHOOL

- ❖ Age appropriate curriculum, introduction to letters and numbers
- ❖ Special classes: Chapel, Music, P.E., Spanish
- ❖ Beautiful, clean facilities
- ❖ Safe, fenced "preschool only" playground area
- ❖ Certified, nurturing staff
- ❖ Interdenominational student body

Our vision drives us to provide a thoroughly Christ-centered education for our children.

ADMISSIONS

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Please refer to the “Admissions” section of our school website for the most current information:

www.mastersvb.org.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

To be considered for enrollment in the Master’s Academy Preschool program, a child:

1. Must be three years or four years old by September 1st to attend at the beginning of the school year.
2. Must be able to attend to their own toileting needs.
3. Must have at least one parent committed to the Christian education of the child.
4. Must have completed the entire enrollment application and provided the required documentation.
5. Must agree to uphold the school’s policies as presented in this handbook.
6. Must agree to have paid the application fee.

FINANCIAL POLICIES

All financial obligations (i.e. tuition, material & other fees, lunch program, and media fees) must be met according to the Family Agreement.

PHILOSOPHY AND GOALS

We hope to come alongside parents as they nurture their children during these informative and developmental years. Master’s Academy Preschool recognizes each child as a unique individual made in God’s image, and assists the family in laying solid foundations spiritually, socially, emotionally, intellectually, and physically. It is our desire to lead each child to desire to live a life pleasing to God.

Master’s Academy Preschool offers a well- balanced program, providing the play and movement preschoolers require, while incorporating small-group learning sessions to prepare children for a successful kindergarten experience. We provide a loving environment in which children are encouraged to practice and reinforce the many developmental skills they acquire during these tender years.

The goals of Master Academy Preschool are to provide:

- A clean, nurturing learning environment
- Opportunities to explore and discover through “center-based” learning
- Social interaction
- Classroom acclimation
- A curriculum which supports school readiness
- An environment in which children will grow in their awareness of who God is and the world He created

Policies and rules will conform to the standard for schools as adopted by the Florida Department of Children and Families. Master’s Academy is a licensed non-profit institution governed by the School Board for the best interest and welfare of the school.

RE-ENROLLMENT

Re-enrollment is annual and is not automatic! Students are re-enrolled on a first-come, first-serve basis by written application. Only those students who have submitted both a completed application for re-enrollment and the application fee will be considered for re-enrollment. Master’s Academy reserves the right to not re-enroll students. Re-enrollment applications not submitted by the published date will not receive preferential treatment over new student applications. In the event that the appropriate class is filled, the application will be held with pending seat availability.

POLICIES

BACKPACKS AND LUNCH BOXES

Students are asked to bring a lunch box and a **full size** backpack to school each day. They may be of any color, but may not have anything that depicts violence, and must be appropriate for school. No messenger bags, totes, or over the shoulder bags. Please **label** the backpack and lunchbox with child's name.

BEFORE SCHOOL CARE and AFTER SCHOOL CARE

While we believe preschool age children should be with their parents as much as possible, we understand that family circumstances require that some parents arrange for extended out-of-home care. To accommodate these families, Master's Academy offers Before School Care from 7:30 to 8:30 A.M. There is no additional charge for this service.

After School Care is Master's Academy's extended day program. Activities are enriching and engaging, and include snack time, organized games, and playground time. After School Care is available from 3:00 – 5:30 each day. If your child typically stays for the 12:00 or 3:00 program, but you would like for them to stay for an extended day there will be a charge of \$5.00 an hour. *A late fee is assessed if children are picked up after 5:30 P.M. Applicable fees are billed monthly, due the 10th of each month.

BIRTHDAYS

We will not hand out or allow you to hand out invitations at school to birthday parties unless the entire class is invited. Otherwise, you must make your own arrangements to notify parents of the party. A snack may be brought in to celebrate a birthday. Please pre-arrange any classroom birthday celebrations with the teacher.

CHAPEL

Preschoolers have chapel in their classrooms each Thursday morning, and join the Lower School for special chapels.

CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

ACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOR

Our goal is to follow the scriptures: "So then, whatever you do, whether in word or in deed, do all to the glory of God." (Colossians 3:17); "I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way." (Psalm 101:2); and, "But everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way." (I Corinthians 14:40). To that end, Master's Academy has set forth three areas of student behavior we believe to be foundational to a positive school environment. These areas are Christian character, mutual respect and common courtesy.

CHRISTIAN CHARACTER: We desire to be godly role models for our preschoolers, and to lead them to love God's Word and to sing His praise!

MUTUAL RESPECT: *"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."* (Matthew 7:12) KJV We treat our preschoolers with respect, and teach them to respect others.

COMMON COURTESY: We teach our preschoolers to be courteous at all times.

CURRICULUM

We use a blend of A Beka®, Creative Curriculum® and Creative Pre-K Curriculum®, which support our program philosophy, are developmentally appropriate, and prepare your youngest students for a smooth transition to kindergarten. Our curriculum includes:

- Letter & sound recognition
- Number concepts
- Music
- Writing skills
- Bible
- Spanish
- Problem solving
- Physical Education

DAILY SCHEDULE

Before school care is offered from 7:30-8:00 AM. **Our school day starts at 8:30 AM.** Late arrivals cause distractions to teachers and students. We ask that you make every effort to have your child here by 8:30 AM every day. They will benefit more completely when brought to school on a regular basis at the designated time. We appreciate your cooperation. It is our goal for all students to be in attendance every day. We also feel strongly that students cannot learn if they are not in attendance. A Daily Schedule will be posted in each classroom. Dismissal time varies according to the program selected at enrollment.

DISCIPLINE

Master's Academy Preschool is dedicated to the teaching and training of children in a Christ-centered atmosphere. According to Noah Webster's 1828 American Dictionary of the English Language, "discipline" incorporates education, instruction, government and correction. We view discipline primarily as the positive, loving manner in which we teach and lead children to govern themselves. We believe that structuring the environment in a developmentally appropriate way reduces disciplinary problems. Such instruction and structure leads children toward good choices, developing self-government, fostering healthy relationships and increasing independence. To this end, we encourage positive behavior.

A child who does not respond appropriately to positive discipline, corrective measures, or consequences for behavioral problems, or who is endangering or harming others, may be dismissed from the program. A parent/teacher conference and documentation would typically precede dismissal of the student from Master's Academy Preschool.

Each teacher will develop and follow his/her own procedures in compliance with the above policy.

FIRE/DISASTER/INTRUDER DRILLS

Fire drills are conducted on a monthly basis to ensure orderliness and safety of our children. Severe weather and Intruder drills are conducted on a regular basis. In the case of hazardous conditions, Master's Academy will close when Indian River County public schools close, and will announce its operating status on our website and on the radio:

channel 91.9FM – Christian FM.

HEADMASTER'S APPROVAL OF ALL COMMUNICATION

The Lower School Principal or Preschool Director must approve all communications with student body and families, i.e. birthday party invitations, all outside literature, and promotional materials, etc., prior to distribution.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

At Master's Academy the welfare of the children, while in our care, is of the utmost importance. **Master's Academy must have a prescription from a doctor if you request that we dispense medications to your student. Please fill out a medication form which gives us permission to dispense the prescribed medication.** Florida Statutes Section regarding medication in schools: "All medications coming to the school must be brought by the parent to the teacher and must be in the original container with the manufacturer/pharmacy label in place. This includes cough drops and over-the-counter medications. Over-the-counter medication can only remain at school for 10 days, unless a physician's note authorizes that it may remain for a longer period of time."

Although Master's Academy does not employ a school nurse, our staff and faculty are certified in CPR and First Aid, and we maintain an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) on site.

Immunization and Physical Examination

An immunization form or a certificate of waiver is required for all students enrolled at Master's Academy. Immunizations must be kept current, as required by Florida law. A certificate of immunization, signed by a physician and completed on the state of Florida forms, must be kept on file by the Preschool Director. Students may not attend

school without an appropriate immunization record and physical form. You may be asked to submit a current physical or immunization form if the one on file has expired. This must be submitted within a timely manner.

HOLIDAYS AND HALLOWEEN

On holy days, such as Christmas and Easter, Master's Academy will focus on biblical truth. Traditional stories may be shared: e.g., we have taught the Christian charity of the actual St. Nicholas in our Christmas chapels. However, no Halloween theme shall be introduced to any school activities, due to the unmistakably pagan origin and practices of Halloween.

ILLNESS POLICY

The health of the children in our care is very important to you and to us. Please observe the following steps when your child is ill:

1. If your child is sick for any reason, please do not send him/her to school. We do not have the staff or the facilities to care for sick children.
2. If your child has any of the symptoms listed below, please refrain from bringing them to school until they have been **symptom-free for 24 hours**.
3. If your child should develop any of these symptoms while in our care you will be called and expected to make immediate arrangements to pick them up:
 - sore throat
 - persistent runny nose (in the absence of known allergies)
 - persistent cough
 - fever (99.2 degrees or higher)
 - head lice - the child will not be permitted to return until treatment has been completed. The child will be checked again before admitted back to school
 - nausea/vomiting
 - conjunctivitis (pink eye)
 - diarrhea
 - exposed skin lesions

LUNCH TIME

Lunch time is an important time for students to be refreshed, to practice manners and to develop friendships as they fellowship at tables. Students pray before lunch each day and are encouraged to use their best manners as they are instructed from the beginning of each year. Preschool students eat lunch in the classroom.

If you choose not to purchase a school lunch, it is the parents' responsibility to provide a nutritious lunch. **Carbonated drinks, juice, candy, and foods that require heating are not permitted.** Lunches must be packed in labeled, insulated lunch bags (manufacturers' insignia only). Sharing food is strictly prohibited!

All visitors on campus must sign in at the receptionist's desk, and obtain and wear a "visitor" or "volunteer" badge.

Please inform your child's teacher when providing treats to celebrate your child's birthday. Due to food allergies, it is necessary to know in advance any foods being served. Please refrain from bringing in balloons or party treat bags. If parents wish, they may purchase ice cream for the entire class for birthday celebrations.

OPEN DOOR POLICY

Master's Academy serves parents in their God-ordained responsibility to educate and nurture their children in the Lord by keeping the door to the classroom "open." Parents may visit the school at any time. Should they wish to visit a class, parents should contact the Administration prior to arriving, to prevent possible interruption of the learning process, and are required to wear a visitor badge available at the receptionist's desk. Teachers appreciate

parents who are actively involved in supporting the many activities, field studies, games, and special day celebrations on the school's calendar.

PARENT DRESS CODE

Our school always seeks to represent Christ. Volunteers/chaperones also serve as representatives of Master's Academy and the Master. When visiting/volunteering on campus or chaperoning on field studies, modest dress is required (avoid tight, revealing clothing). Refer to the High School Dress Code on the school's website.

RELEASE OF A STUDENT TO PERSONS OTHER THAN CUSTODIAL PARENT OR GUARDIAN

Master's Academy has a binding agreement with you to ensure your child's safety while at school; therefore:

- If a student is to be released from school early, please send written notice to notify teacher and staff.
- Any student leaving prior to dismissal must sign out at the receptionist's desk AND with the child's teacher.
- No student will be released without written approval from the parent and a picture I.D.
- Should a custodial parent request that the school prevent contact between a non-custodial parent and a child, the custodial parent shall be requested to submit to the school a final judgment and/or settlement agreement serving as the basis for his or her request.
- In the event that you, as parents, are going out of town without your child, we ask that the custodial parent notify the school in writing of adult caretakers who will be responsible for your child. The names, address and phone numbers, as well as any alternate procedures to be followed, should be included on the notification.

REST TIME

Children staying until 3:00 or after will be given a "rest time" each day. They will not be required to sleep, but to rest quietly. **Please provide for your child a rest mat that is 1 inch thick and can be cleaned and wiped off easily. NO large, thick mats will be allowed due to space issues. Also, please provide a mat cover and blanket for your child.** King size pillow cases work great for covers. These will be sent home at the end of each week for laundering. Please do NOT send in pillows or stuffed animals.

SECURITY

1. All visitors must report to the receptionist's desk to sign student in or out of school.
2. All visitors must wear a visible "visitor" or "volunteer" badge while on school campus.
3. Visitors will use the north entrance to the school.
4. Master's Academy has an Emergency Management Plan.

SNACK TIME

Children are to bring in a healthy snack and bottle of water from home for morning snack time. We encourage you to put the snack and drink in a Ziploc bag and label it with your child's name. We request that you send **water only (no juice or candy)** and please put your child's name on the water bottle.

We strive to keep our snacks nutritious and wholesome, with no artificial ingredients and limited sugar or salt. Please prepare foods for simple service: for instance, wash fresh fruits, provide *unopened* packaged foods. Please do not bring snacks with peanuts, other nuts or peanut butter, for the safety of children who might have allergies to them.

We suggest:

Bananas	Plums	Pretzels	Melon Cubes	Bagels & Cream
Apples	Pineappl	Raisins	Cheese/Crackers	Cheese
Cereal Mix	e Pears	Applesauce	Yogurt	Homemade Breads
Peaches	Grapes	Graham Crackers		& Muffins

SPECIAL DAYS AND COSTUMES

Special days have become a meaningful tradition; Constitution Day, Christian Heritage Day and Liberty Day are school-wide celebrations. Special days reinforce unique learning experiences. Each class has special days unique to its curriculum content. Students may be asked to don authentic costumes; information will be provided.

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPY

If your child is experiencing difficulty with articulation of speech sounds or spoken language, receptive or expressive, please contact your child's teacher for more information about the availability of these services.

STUDENT DRESS CODE

The purpose of the uniform dress code is to clarify a standard of appearance that reflects biblical principles of modesty, appropriateness, gender distinctiveness, and stewardship which will encourage students to bring only glory to God (I Corinthians 10:31). There are several other important reasons why a uniform is required at Master's Academy Vero Beach:

1. To dispense with competition due to outward appearance and influence.
2. To de-emphasize outward appearance and stress, in its place, the need for inner beauty and character development.
3. To limit the distractions and focus on learning.
4. To enhance school spirit.
5. To allow students to demonstrate a submission to authorities placed over them.

DAILY WEAR for Girls & Boys	
MAVB Preschool T-Shirts	Navy Blue or Burgundy
MAVB Preschool Shorts	Navy Blue or Burgundy
Shoes	Plain closed-toed tennis shoes (small manufacturer's logo is acceptable)
Socks	Solid color
CHAPEL WEAR	Same as Daily Wear

In cooler weather the student may wear a jacket/hoodie and a pair of solid colored (same as above) sweatpants, or leggings for the girls. They may also wear a solid colored (same as above) long sleeve t-shirt under their uniform shirt. Uniforms should be purchased from the School Uniform Store in Vero Beach. Jackets and sweatshirts/hoodies are available from the School Uniform Store or online at Land's End.

STUDENT DROP-OFF/PICK-UP

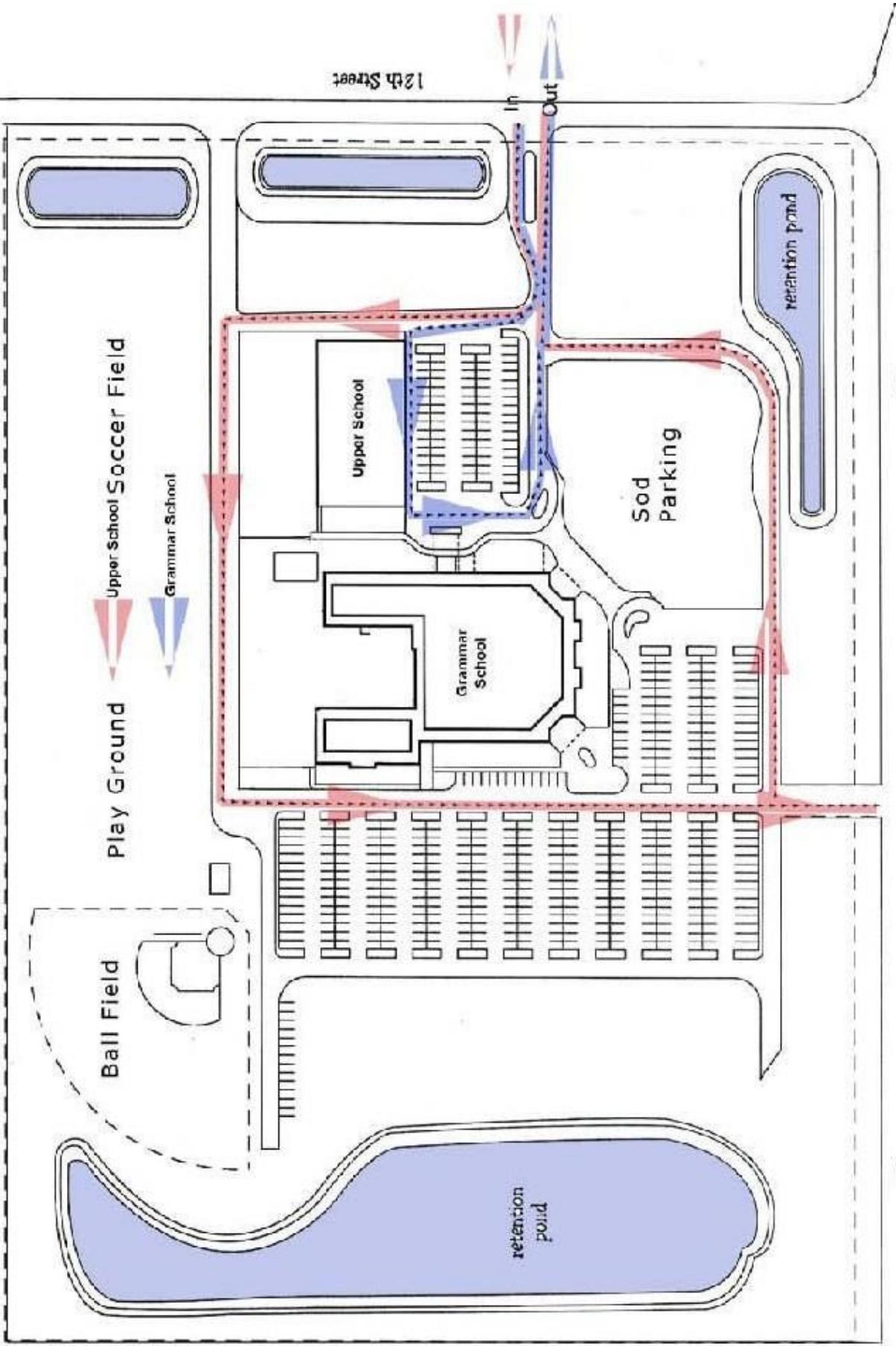
Parents should park on the east end of the north parking lot, near the pedestrian crosswalk, and escort their preschoolers into the building and to the classroom. At dismissal, parents should follow the traffic pattern and **remain in their vehicles**. Name cards are distributed each year and are to be placed on the passenger side dashboard or rear-view mirror of your vehicle at pickup. For the safety of all, **students may only enter the passenger side of the vehicle**.

Preschool dismissal is at 12:00 Noon and 3:00 P.M. Preschool staff will escort the children to their cars and fasten them in their seats. Parents of children who stay for After School Care will come to the child's classroom and sign them out.

TRAFFIC PATTERN

Vehicles are to enter the campus from 12th Street. Preschool students are to enter and exit the facilities from the north-central entrance/exit. When delivering or coming inside to pick up your child, park at the west end and use the pedestrian walkway. **Please exercise extra caution on school/church premises!**

MASTER'S ACADEMY ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL



58th Ave.

12th Street

THE “MATTHEW 18” METHOD

As with any other collection of mortals, the people associated with Master’s Academy have the potential for misunderstanding, disagreement, and inappropriate behavior. However, it is God’s will that we live and work together in harmony. Jesus’ method for solving person-to-person problems is found in Matthew 18:15 -16.

“If your brother sins against you, go and show him his fault, just between the two of you.

If he listens to you, you have won your brother over. But if he will not listen, take one or two others along, so that every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.”

Matthew 18: 15-16 NIV

The following methods are what Jesus taught for solving people-to-people problems:

1. BE **CONFIDENTIAL**: “... **Go and show HIM ... just between the two of you**”. Not everyone else you know! The method of sharing the problem only with those directly involved establishes confidentiality. The first step and most often the only step needed in solving a person-to-person problem is for one of the two people involved to initiate face-to-face dialogue. Most problems are solved at the two-people level. The Bible has much to say about those who gossip or malign others with their words.

“With his mouth the godless destroys his neighbor, but through knowledge the righteous escape.” Proverbs

11:9 NIV

2. BE **CANDID**: (honest - forthright)
“... **Show him his fault.**” Sometimes it is difficult to be straightforward and tell someone the very heart of the matter, but restoration and improvement can only come when the issues are lovingly, yet clearly, presented.

“Wounds from a friend can be trusted, but an enemy multiplies kisses.”

Proverbs 26:7

3. BE **CONTRITE** AND FORGIVING:

“If he listens to you, you have won your brother over.” This implies that we check our intentions. If we are broken in spirit and desire a reconciled relationship, we must enter into this person-to-person confrontation with humility and a willingness to forgive.

“A broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.”

Psalms 51:17

4. BE OPEN TO **COUNSEL**:

“But if he will not listen, take one or two others along, so that every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.” Most problems are solved at the two-person level; however, when this is not possible, seek the counsel of someone both of you respect and trust. Each party should come together in a spirit of prayer and humility, willing to submit to the Lord’s will in the matter and also willing to submit to reproof and correction, if needed. People who are growing in sensitivity to godly methods will generally reach an amiable solution.

The “Matthew 18” Method requires that parents talk to teachers about students’ problems before they talk to administrators or others. If unresolved at that two-people level, the matter is prayerfully and in an orderly fashion moved upward in the school organizational structure. At this level a parent, student or teacher problem is brought to the Headmaster or administrator for conciliation.

5. BE WILLING TO MEET WITH THE **CHAIRMAN**:

The next level, assuming reconciliation has not been satisfactorily met, involves contacting the School Board Chairman. The Chairman then will set up a hearing with both parties before the school board.

Master’s Academy is a Christian ministry first and foremost. Everything that is done in the context of the school must be done according to Christ’s methods. Satan would destroy the fellowship in our school. This will not happen if we seek to follow the “Matthew 18” Method for solving problems.

MISSION STATEMENT

Master's Academy exists to spiritually develop and academically challenge each student to impact the world. We are committed to:

- The truth and authority of Scriptures
- A Christ-centered worldview
- Excellence in Education
- Christian Unity
- Principle Approach instruction - an American Classical emphasis

HISTORY OF MASTER'S ACADEMY

In May of 1995, the Elder Board of the First Church of God appointed Dr. Grant Powell, Christian Education Pastor, to chair a Christian School Feasibility Task Force. The first meeting was conducted on June 20, 1995. The task force was to assess the need of, support for, and implementation of a Christian school and to prepare a comprehensive report. Task force members were: Corinn Chambless, Steve Holmes, Anne Mays, Dr. Craig McGarvey, Dr. Frank Mezzina, William Proctor, Kim Westcott, and Dr. Grant Powell.

At the Annual F.C.O.G. Business Meeting, September 24, 1997, results were presented with a proposal for the Christian school and brought to a congregational vote. The doors of Master's Academy were opened for the inaugural Kindergarten class with 14 students on August 19, 1998. On September 6, 2000, Master's Academy moved into new facilities at 58th Avenue and 12th Street, providing classes for Pre-K3 through grade 4. The school's academic program was completed in 2008, culminating in the graduation of the first senior class in 2009. As Master's Academy matures, we continue to refine our academic offerings and expand our performing arts and athletic programs, allowing us to nurture and challenge each child entrusted to our care.

SCHOOL LOGO

The school logo is a crest with the Latin Master's motto, "Veritas et Lux" (Truth and Light), which acknowledges Jesus as the truth and as we desire that the light of the world.



SCHOOL COLORS

School colors are navy blue, burgundy, and gold.

PHILOSOPHY OF MASTER'S ACADEMY

The philosophy of Master's Academy is based upon a biblical worldview, that God is the Creator and Sustainer of the universe, the ultimate reality and the source and essence of all goodness and truth. God has revealed Himself through nature, circumstance of human life and history (His Story), but most explicitly through His Son, Jesus Christ, as recorded in Scripture. The highest good is realized in the exercise of His will and on the part of humankind in conformity to that will.

We believe that each student is uniquely created, gifted, distinctly individual, and possesses a particular purpose in God's providence. We believe that a biblically governed education will produce students of Christian character, industry, faith and charity.

Therefore, the objective of Christian education must be to help all students realize their full potential in God's perfect will for their lives. Each student must be helped to become a whole, complete (fully equipped) person in Christ (II Timothy 3:16-17). Accomplishing this involves witnessing to and leading each child to Christ, providing for intellectual growth through academic studies, providing opportunities for social activities consistent with Biblical, moral and spiritual values and providing wholesome physical development.

As ultimate reality and absolute truth, God's Word sets the standard and is central to every subject or activity. A biblical worldview permeates the entire school program, including curriculum, athletics, and relationships of all within the school.

A Christian teacher, therefore, teaches science as God's creation, geography as God's handiwork, history (His Story) as God's providence with the nations of the world, mathematics as a glimpse of God's orderliness and absolute truth, physical education and health as our responsibility in caring for God's temple, music and art as God's beauty and tools for worship; and reading, writing and spelling as God's means for us to communicate His truth and to understand His Word.

Master's Academy joins with parents and "the church" in a partnership to help train each child to realize his fullest potential as a creation of God. A Christ-centered, Spirit-controlled, Bible-based, teacher-directed environment with an emphasis on respect for others and love of country will develop a character of Christian scholarship and self-government.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Master's Academy was founded and functions upon the fundamental principles of the Word of God, espousing the historic Christian view of life as presented in the Bible. The following statements of faith and practice are held by every administrator, faculty member, staff employee, and School Board member.

1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired and only infallible authoritative Word of God.
2. We believe there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
3. We believe in the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.
4. We believe that all humanity is sinful by nature and thereby separated from God and in need of salvation available through Jesus Christ.
5. We believe in the continuing ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a holy life.
6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they who are saved unto eternal life, and they who are lost unto eternal damnation.
7. We believe in the spiritual unity of the believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.
8. We believe in the creation of man by the direct act of God.
9. We believe that the Church is the Body of Christ with the mission of preaching and teaching the gospel of salvation to the world.

CORE VALUES

“...that in all things He might have the preeminence” Colossians 1:18
Education today alone will determine the type and scope of government, the quality of culture, the influence of the Church, the strength of the family, and the health of the economy of our nation tomorrow.

The Word of God is the source of political liberty.

- Safeguarding American liberty and prosperity through educating individuals to Christian self-government by Biblical principles
- Reminding the nation that our system of government was established by Christian principles in our founding documents

The Word of God is the foundation of every subject.

- Educating using primary sources that reveal the hand of God in providential history (Proverbs 21:1)
- Defining Christian scholarship and restoring its role in American education (II Timothy 2:15)
- Honoring the role of teacher – mentor and example to the student (Luke 6:40) – as essential to learning
- Providing the curriculum modeled by the methods and content of the founding generation

The Word of God is the manual for family life.

- Equipping the family to ensure the correct and full education of their children, a task reserved for them by God (Psalms 78:1-8)
- Educating parents to prepare their children to be leaders of the next generation (Proverbs 22:6)