

# SUMMIT CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

## HOST FAMILY APPLICATION

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*This school is authorized  
under Federal law to  
enroll nonimmigrant students.*



	Host Father	Host Mother	
Full Name			
Full Address			
Parent's Home Phone Number			
Parent's Cell Phone Number			
Email addresses for school communication purposes			
Check all that apply	<input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Remarried	<input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Remarried	
Employer's Name			
Position Title			
Employer's Phone Number			
Home Church & Denomination			
Someone on the pastoral staff who is acquainted with you from whom we can secure a pastor's reference:		Email address for pastoral contact:	
Church Address & Phone Number			
Church Attendance	<input type="checkbox"/> Occasionally <input type="checkbox"/> Frequently <input type="checkbox"/> Regularly	<input type="checkbox"/> Occasionally <input type="checkbox"/> Frequently <input type="checkbox"/> Regularly	
When were you saved?			
How would you describe your relationship with the Lord?			
Are there any special family problems or circumstances that we should know about?			
Names of other children in the home	Ages	Names of other children in the home	Ages
Have you previously hosted an international student? If so, please give student's name, country, and agency.			
Family doctor name & phone			
Emergency hospital preference			

# SUMMIT CHRISTIAN ACADEMY FOUNDATIONAL BELIEFS

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## Statement of Faith

Summit Christian Academy believes the following precepts that are basic to the Christian faith.

1. We believe the Bible to be the only inspired, infallible, authoritative, inerrant Word of God (II Timothy 3:16; II Peter 1:21).
2. We believe there is only one God, eternally existent in three persons. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Genesis 1:1; Matthew 28:19; John 10:30).
3. We believe in the deity of Christ (John 10:33); His virgin birth (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23; Luke 1:35); His sinless life (Hebrews 4:15; 7:26); His miracles (John 2:11); His vicarious and atoning death (I Corinthians 15:3, Ephesians 1:7, Hebrews 2:9); His resurrection (John 11:25; I Corinthians 15:4); His ascension to the right hand of the Father (Mark 16:19); His personal return in power and glory (Acts 1:11; Revelation 19:11).
4. We believe in the absolute necessity of regeneration by the Holy Spirit for salvation because of the exceeding sinfulness of human nature; and that men are justified on the single ground of faith in the shed blood of Christ and that only by God's grace and through faith alone, we are saved (John 3:16-19; 5:24; Romans 3:23; 5:8-9; Ephesians 2:8-10; Titus 3:5).
5. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation (John 5:28-29).
6. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 8:9; I Corinthians 12:12-13; Gal 3:26-28).
7. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life (Romans 8:13-14; I Corinthians 3:16; 6:19-20; Ephesians 4:30; 5:18).

## Position on Marriage, Sexuality, and Gender Identity

Summit Christian Academy (SCA) believes that the term marriage has only one meaning: the God-ordained union of one man and one woman in a covenant commitment, distinguished by sexual exclusivity, permanence and devotion to their good and to the welfare of any children within the family, as delineated in Scripture (Genesis 2:18-25).

We believe that God intends for sexual intimacy to occur only between a man and a woman who are married to each other (1 Corinthians 6:18, 7:2-5; Hebrews 13:4). We believe that God's command is that there be no sexual intimacy outside of or apart from the man-woman marriage relationship.

Summit Christian Academy (SCA) believes that God wonderfully foreordained and immutably created each person as either wholly male or wholly female in conformity with their biological sex. These two distinct yet complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God (Genesis 1:26-27).

## Community Compact

Summit Christian Academy (SCA) is comprised of an association of Christian families from various denominations seeking similar educational and spiritual goals. It is not a church nor does it take the place of one; instead it is a unique school where both spiritual and academic aspects are integral.

SCA strives to provide a Christian environment conducive to the development of Christ-like attitudes, habits and character in the pursuit of academic excellence and positive extracurricular activities. In cooperation with the Handbook and School Policies, SCA puts forth this compact to partner with students and parents to work toward this common goal.

For its part, SCA commits to operate by biblical principles including those highlighted in this compact and uphold the mission statement "to inspire students to achieve their God-given potential through excellent academics and Christian training in a compassionate environment." When discipline is warranted, SCA further commits to apply it judiciously and with grace. For the student, attending SCA is a privilege that comes with responsibilities and expectations as conveyed in this compact that are to be taken seriously.

## *Christian life*

In all settings the lives of students should reflect biblical principles.

Students are to dedicate themselves to:

- Speak only with integrity using wholesome and truthful words (Eph. 4:29, Phil. 4:8).

- Demonstrate fruits of the Holy Spirit such as love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control, humility and forgiveness (Gal. 5:19-21; Col. 3:12-14).
- Resolve grievances as directed in Matt. 18:15-17 with counsel from parents or other adults who can help bring resolution.
- Develop in the Christian life seeking God’s will and be diligent in studies seeking to achieve one’s full potential (Rom. 12:2; II Tim. 3:16).
- Respect and submit to authority (Rom. 13:1-7; Eph. 6:1-3).
- Regularly attend a Bible believing church (Acts 2:42-47; Heb. 10:19-25).

Students are to avoid:

- The use of profanity and language that profanes in sexual content in either the spoken or written word (Eph. 5:7; Col. 3:5-10).
- Dishonesty, prejudice and cheating (Gal. 3:26-29; II Cor. 4:2; Col. 3:8-10).
- Immodesty in dress or behavior (I Tim. 2:8-10; I Cor. 6:18-20).
- Gossip, derogatory speech, harmful teasing and bullying (Eph. 4:29; Prov. 11:13).
- Use of tobacco and illicit drugs, consumption of alcohol and other illegal activities (Rom. 12:1, Rom. 13:1-2; I Cor. 6:19).
- Sexual immorality including sexual relations of any kind outside the bonds of marriage, homosexual orientation or activity, transgender identity or activity, and pornography in any form (Matt. 5:27-28; Rom. 1:21-27; Rom. 12:1; Lev. 18:22; Job 13:1; Gen. 2:18-25; Eph. 5:22-33; Gen. 1:27; Mark 10:6).

*Freedom in Christ*

In addition to specific biblical principles is the concept of freedom in Christ that requires believers to make biblically guided choices in matters of behavior, entertainment and relationships (Gal. 5:13-14; 1 Pet. 2:16-17; I Cor. 6:20). Parents are ultimately responsible to guide their student in such matters, and while the school acknowledges varying convictions exist, it has established rules and policies with sensitivity to the needs of the school and the practices of other Christians.

*Be of one accord*

In a diverse community of believers complete unanimity is not expected. Even so, each parent and student should support and pray for the school and work with it toward the stated goals and support this compact as a positive statement of biblical aspirations (Phil. 2:2).

*Student behavior*

Students should be mindful that as Christians they represent Christ at all times and, as students of SCA their actions reflect on the school. It is not the intention of the school to tell parents how to parent, so school rules will be enforced only at school functions; however, even away from such functions there can be student behavior so egregious that it necessitates a response by the school. The school may take immediate action or work with the parent and student toward reconciliation with the school. Sustained or flagrant disregard for the school or this compact would indicate a lack of unity with the school and if remedial action by all those involved did not restore the accord it would be best for the school and student to part (Phil. 1:27).

*Conclusion*

Students are encouraged to enter into this compact willingly with the full intention of learning and growing under its provisions rather than passive compliance. Signing below indicates the student and parent join the school in this compact and will endeavor to abide by its principles (James 5:12).

I/We, \_\_\_\_\_, as the parent of \_\_\_\_\_ have read the above Statement of Faith and understand that my/our child will be taught from a Christian worldview while a student at Summit Christian Academy.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# **CORE VALUES OF SUMMIT CHRISTIAN ACADEMY**

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Please carefully read and review the following Core Values to which Summit Christian Academy subscribes.

## **Christ-Centered**

Our belief in God and His Word is central to SCA. Through a faculty who practice a personal and active faith, we foster a thoroughly Christian environment where God's Word is the standard for decision making. Placing Christ at the center of all enables us to educate the whole student, spiritually, emotionally, mentally, socially, and physically.

## **Pursuing Grace and Truth**

SCA seeks to model the life Christ demonstrated on earth, a life full of grace and truth, which rejected legalism for the higher priority of focusing on the inner man. We recognize that Christ looks inward at the motivations of the heart and pursues a relationship with us. We exercise spiritual discernment, speaking the truth in love in order to promote the spiritual growth of the individual without compromising the student body as a whole.

## **Inspiring Excellence in Learning**

The SCA faculty inspires students to discover and develop their God-given gifts and talents. We nurture an enthusiasm for learning, providing an atmosphere wherein students may express creativity, discern truth, think critically, and choose wisely. In academics, the arts, and athletics, we uphold a standard of excellence to encourage students to achieve their individual best.

## **Encouraging Spiritual Growth**

We desire that each student know Christ personally and grow in His grace and knowledge, so he/she may impact their world for Him. We understand the importance of godly staff and faculty who model the Christian walk and mentor students to pursue their personal relationship with the Lord.

## **Cultivating Community**

We recognize that the SCA community extends beyond the walls of our school. Coming from diverse backgrounds, we unify around a simple statement of faith that binds us together. We acknowledge the responsibility of the parent, the role of the church, and the authority of the Holy Spirit in training students.

## **Igniting Leadership**

SCA embodies a culture of servant leadership that is sparked by a sense of individual purpose. With competency, credibility, and compassion, we add value to others and influence the marketplace of ideas.

# HOST FAMILY AGREEMENT

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I/We understand that the following guidelines apply to our role as a Host Family to an International Student at Summit Christian Academy.

1. I understand that I will be partnering with SCA to minister academically, spiritually, and emotionally to an international student.
2. I understand that SCA is a Christian school and teaches precepts of the Christian faith. I understand that SCA requires Bible each semester and attendance at weekly chapel services.
3. I agree to support the administration and faculty in the enforcement of SCA policies as they apply to our international student.
4. I agree to attend a Host Family Orientation event and receive a home visit by the International Program Director.
5. I understand that if I am new to the SCA family, I am required to participate in a new family interview.
6. I agree to complete the Background Check Authorization form and understand that SCA will conduct a criminal record check on all adults in our household.
7. I agree to inform the IPD if there is a change in occupants in the house.
8. I agree to attend international student and host family events, support/training meetings, and provide progress reports requested by the IPD.
9. I agree to involve the student in family and community activities, share the American lifestyle and culture, and assist my student in cultural adjustment.
10. I agree to pick up my student from the airport upon arrival and return the student to the airport upon departure.
11. I agree to provide a bed, meals (does not include school lunch), transportation to and from school, and a loving family environment to the student.
12. I agree to clearly communicate the House Rules and provide the IPD with a copy.
13. I will seek medical attention for my student when necessary and understand that any medical expenses that exceed the student's insurance plan coverage will be paid by the international student.
14. I give permission for my international student to take part in all routine school activities, including sports and school-sponsored trips. I absolve SCA from all financial/personal liability to me or my international student because of any injury at school or during any school activity.
15. I understand that my international student must take a "full course load" in order to remain in status with his/her student visa.
16. I understand that my international student must abide by the attendance, behavior, driving, guardianship, housing, Department of Homeland Security, and all other rules set forth by SCA. I understand that my international student will be dismissed from SCA if these requirements are falsified or consistently challenged.
17. I understand that my international student is responsible to purchase a Chromebook for classroom use and must register the device with the technology department. I also understand that he/she must follow the rules set forth in the Technology Use Student Contract for International Students.
18. I understand that while a student at SCA, my international student is considered a minor and agrees to abide by all rules and laws of the State of Missouri, the United States of America, and SCA – even if he/she is 18 or older.
19. I hereby agree that I shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless SCA and its representatives from any and all liability and costs for injury to persons and/or property directly or indirectly arising out of my international student's actions while I am at SCA.
20. I have read and understand the financial, medical, academic, and social responsibilities I have in order to assure the best environment for my international student.

- I/We have completed and attached the SCA Host Family Application.
- I/We have read and agree with the SCA Statement of Faith.
- I/We have read, signed, and attached the school's Community Compact.
- I/We have read, signed, and attached the Technology Use Student Contract for International Students.
- I agree to a Criminal Record Check for each adult member of our family.
- I/We have read, understand, and agree with the above Host Family Agreement.
- I/We have read the Acceptance Conditions for international students.

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Signature of Host Family

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Date

**BACKGROUND CHECK DISCLOSURE**

Summit Christian Academy (the "Company") may order a "consumer report" (a background report) or "investigative consumer report" on you in connection with your host family application.

The background check company, ADP Screening and Selection Services, will prepare the background report for the Company. ADP Screening and Selection Services is located at 301 Remington Street, Fort Collins, CO, 80524, and can be reached by phone at 800-367-5933 or at their Internet Web site address [www.adpselect.com](http://www.adpselect.com).

The background report may contain information concerning your character, general reputation, personal characteristics, mode of living, criminal history. An "investigative consumer report" is a background report that includes information from personal interviews. Information may be obtained from private and public sources and for investigative consumer reports from personal interviews as noted above. You may request more information about the nature and scope of an investigative consumer report, if any, by contacting the Company.

The Fair Credit Reporting Act gives you specific rights in dealing with consumer reporting agencies. You will find these rights summarized in the document titled A Summary of Your Rights Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act, as provided on subsequent pages.

**AUTHORIZATION FOR BACKGROUND CHECKS**

I authorize the Company to obtain my background report, including investigative consumer reports. I also agree that a copy of this form is valid like the signed original. I understand that, as allowed by law, the Company may rely on this authorization to order additional background reports, including investigative consumer reports, (1) during my time as a host family and (2) from companies other than ADP Screening and Selection Services without asking me for my authorization again, as allowed by law. I understand the Company may order a background report under my legal name and any other names I may have used.

I also authorize the following agencies and entities to disclose to ADP Screening and Selection Services and its agents all information about or concerning me, as allowed by law, including but not limited to: law enforcement and all other federal, state and local agencies; federal, state and local courts; the military; motor vehicle records agencies; all other private and public sector repositories of information; and any other person, organization, or agency with any information about or concerning me. The information that can be disclosed to ADP Screening and Selection Services and its agents includes, but is not limited to, motor vehicle history and criminal history.

Please print your legal name (Must be completed by anyone living in the home 18 years of age or older):

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**BACKGROUND CHECK INFORMATION**

The information requested below is collected solely for the purpose of aiding the Company in running a background check in connection with your application for employment. The employer is requesting that you provide this information to assist in conducting a thorough background check. This form must be completed by anyone living in the home that is 18 years of age or older.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

For Identification Purposes Only: Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (Month/Day/Year)

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License Number \_\_\_\_\_ State Issuing License \_\_\_\_\_

Enter Nickname(s) Used \_\_\_\_\_

Enter Any Other Names Used (including maiden names):

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Addresses Within the Past Seven Years (use a separate sheet as needed)

Present Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Prior Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

Prior City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

From \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (Month/Day/Year) To \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (Month/Day/Year)

*Para información en español, visite [www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore](http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore) o escribe a la Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20552.*

## **A Summary of Your Rights Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act**

The federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) promotes the accuracy, fairness, and privacy of information in the files of consumer reporting agencies. There are many types of consumer reporting agencies, including credit bureaus and specialty agencies (such as agencies that sell information about check writing histories, medical records, and rental history records). Here is a summary of your major rights under the FCRA. **For more information, including information about additional rights, go to [www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore](http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore) or write to: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20552.**

- **You must be told if information in your file has been used against you.** Anyone who uses a credit report or another type of consumer report to deny your application for credit, insurance, or employment – or to take another adverse action against you – must tell you, and must give you the name, address, and phone number of the agency that provided the information.
- **You have the right to know what is in your file.** You may request and obtain all the information about you in the files of a consumer reporting agency (your “file disclosure”). You will be required to provide proper identification, which may include your Social Security number. In many cases, the disclosure will be free. You are entitled to a free file disclosure if:
  - a person has taken adverse action against you because of information in your credit report;
  - you are the victim of identity theft and place a fraud alert in your file;
  - your file contains inaccurate information as a result of fraud;
  - you are on public assistance;
  - you are unemployed but expect to apply for employment within 60 days.

In addition, all consumers are entitled to one free disclosure every 12 months upon request from each nationwide credit bureau and from nationwide specialty consumer reporting agencies. See [www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore](http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore) for additional information.

- **You have the right to ask for a credit score.** Credit scores are numerical summaries of your credit-worthiness based on information from credit bureaus. You may request a credit score from consumer reporting agencies that create scores or distribute scores used in residential real property loans, but you will have to pay for it. In some mortgage transactions, you will receive credit score information for free from the mortgage lender.
- **You have the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information.** If you identify information in your file that is incomplete or inaccurate, and report it to the consumer reporting agency, the agency must investigate unless your dispute is frivolous. See [www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore](http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore) for an explanation of dispute procedures.
- **Consumer reporting agencies must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information.** Inaccurate, incomplete or unverifiable information must be removed or corrected, usually within 30 days. However, a consumer reporting agency may continue to report information it has verified as accurate.
- **Consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information.** In most cases, a consumer reporting agency may not report negative information that is more than seven years old, or bankruptcies that are more than 10 years old.
- **Access to your file is limited.** A consumer reporting agency may provide information about you only to people with a valid need -- usually to consider an application with a creditor, insurer, employer, landlord, or other business. The FCRA specifies those with a valid need for access.
- **You must give your consent for reports to be provided to employers.** A consumer reporting agency may not give out information about you to your employer, or a potential employer, without your written consent given to the employer. Written consent generally is not required in the trucking industry. For more information, go to [www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore](http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore).
- **You may limit “prescreened” offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report.** Unsolicited “prescreened” offers for credit and insurance must include a toll-free phone number you can call if you choose to remove your name and address from the lists these offers are based on. You may opt-out with the nationwide credit bureaus at 1-888-567-8688.
- **You may seek damages from violators.** If a consumer reporting agency, or, in some cases, a user of consumer reports or a furnisher of information to a consumer reporting agency violates the FCRA, you may be able to sue in state or federal court.
- **Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have additional rights.** For more information, visit [www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore](http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore).



**States may enforce the FCRA, and many states have their own consumer reporting laws. In some cases, you may have more rights under state law. For more information, contact your state or local protection agency or your state Attorney General. For information about your federal rights, contact:**

<b>TYPE OF BUSINESS:</b>	<b>CONTACT:</b>
1.a. Banks, savings associations, and credit unions with total assets of over \$10 billion and their affiliates. b. Such affiliates that are not banks, savings associations, or credit unions also should list, in addition to the CFPB:	a. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau 1700 G Street NW Washington DC 20552 b. Federal Trade Commission: Consumer Response Center – FCRA Washington DC 20580 (877) 382-4357
2. To the extent not included in item 1 above: a. National banks, federal savings associations, and federal branches and federal agencies of foreign banks b. State member banks, branches and agencies of foreign banks (other than federal branches, federal agencies, and Insured State Branches of Foreign Banks), commercial lending companies owned or controlled by foreign banks, and organizations operating under section 25 or 25A of the Federal Reserve Act c. Nonmember Insured Banks, Insured State Branches of Foreign Banks, and insured state savings associations d. Federal Credit Unions	a. Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Customer Assistance Group 1301 McKinney Street, Suite 3450 Houston TX 77010-9050 b. Federal Reserve Consumer Help Center P.O. Box 1200 Minneapolis MN 55480 c. FDIC Consumer Response Center 1100 Walnut Street, Box # 11 Kansas City MO 64106 d. National Credit Union Administration, Office of Consumer Protection (OCP) Division of Consumer Compliance and Outreach (DCCO) 1775 Duke Street Alexandria VA 22314
3. Air carriers	Asst. General Counsel for Aviation Enforcement & Proceedings, Aviation Consumer Protection Division, Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington DC 20590
4. Creditors Subject to the Surface Transportation Board	Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation 395 E Street SW Washington DC 20423
5. Creditors Subject to the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921	Nearest Packers and Stockyards Administration area supervisor
6. Small Business Investment Companies	Associate Deputy Administrator for Capital Access, U.S. Small Business Administration 409 Third Street SW, 8 <sup>th</sup> Floor Washington DC 20416
7. Brokers and Dealers	Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street NE Washington, DC 20549
8. Federal Land Banks, Federal Land Bank Associations, Federal Intermediate Credit Banks, and Production Credit Associations	Farm Credit Administration 1501 Farm Credit Drive McLean VA 22102-5090
9. Retailers, Finance Companies, and All Other Creditors Not Listed Above	FTC Regional Office for region in which the creditor operates or Federal Trade Commission: Consumer Response Center – FCRA Washington DC 20580 (877) 382-4357

## REFERENCES

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Please list two references we may contact in regard to our consideration of your participation in the host family program at Summit Christian Academy. Please do not use family members as references. Please list people who know your family well.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

# QUESTIONNAIRE

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1) Describe your family lifestyle and what a normal weekday and weekend looks like for your family. \_\_\_\_\_

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2) What interests and activities is your family involved in? \_\_\_\_\_

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3) Why do you want to host an international student? \_\_\_\_\_

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4) What will the sleeping/bathroom arrangements be for the international student? \_\_\_\_\_

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5) If you have pets, please describe them. \_\_\_\_\_

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6) Circle **all** words that best describe your family.

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| warm          | formal           | serious         | argumentative |
| reserved      | strict           | optimistic      | outgoing      |
| demanding     | orderly          | tolerant        | ethical       |
| quiet         | united           | relaxed         | funny         |
| sports-minded | Christian values | perfectionistic | disciplined   |
| open-minded   | understanding    | critical        | compassionate |
| protective    | disorganized     | supportive      | flexible      |
| active        | conservative     | respectful      |               |

7) Does your family have any dietary restrictions? If so, would you expect the international student to follow these restrictions? \_\_\_\_\_

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8) Would you be willing to host a student who has dietary restrictions? \_\_\_\_\_

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9) What is your practice regarding alcohol in your home? \_\_\_\_\_

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- 10) Does anyone in your home smoke? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 11) What languages other than English are spoken or studied in your home? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 12) What experience has your family had adjusting to other cultures? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 13) How will your international student travel to and from school and after-school activities? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 14) Does anyone in your family coach at SCA? If so, what sport(s)? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_
- 15) Would you prefer a boy or a girl and do you have an age preference? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_
- 16) What do you believe you can offer an international student? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 17) What responsibilities do you expect the student to fulfill (homework, household chores, computer, phone, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 18) What other expectations do you have for the student (dating, curfew, church attendance, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 19) There are times when conflicts and challenges arise and you may need to meet confidentially to discuss how to best parent your international student. Are you willing to handle these situations in partnership with SCA? Can you describe a time when you have had this type of conversation and taken constructive comments? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

20) Understanding each international student will work through cultural adjustments, how do you plan to learn about the student's culture and provide needed emotional and spiritual support? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*Please read the following statements and rate your answers on a scale of 1-10. Make any additional comments that will help explain your answer. Please note that there is no right or wrong answer. This information is used to help us make the best possible student/family placement and prepare for ongoing support throughout the year.*

Our home could be characterized as:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = very casual 10 = very structured

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = active/noisy 10 = quiet/studious

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = rarely home 10 = homebodies

Our family tends to travel out of the area over holidays and school vacations.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = frequently 10 = rarely

One or more parents tend to travel overnight.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = weekly 10 = never

Each week our family eats dinner together:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = every night 10 = one night

When it comes to cleanliness, our family is:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = neat and orderly 10 = not a priority

The importance of children participating in the chores of the home is:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = written expectation 10 = appreciated

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = daily chores 10 = weekly chores

We anticipate privacy in our home to be:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = needs guidelines 10 = not an issue

Computer and Internet use in our home is:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = highly regulated 10 = trusted on own

Daily television use in our home is:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = no television 10 = usually on when home

Our family attends church:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = every week 10 = once a month

Our weekly commitment to church-related activities is:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = 4 times per week 10 = none

How comfortable are you sharing your personal relationship with Jesus Christ with a teenager?

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = excited 10 = not very confident

How would you describe your child's attitude toward an international student in your home?

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = enthusiastic 10 = willing to try

How would you describe your normal communication methods with your own child?

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 = confrontational 10 = tend to avoid

## ACCEPTANCE CONDITIONS

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*I/We and our child have read the following acceptance conditions. We understand that if our child is accepted as an international student at Summit Christian Academy, the following conditions apply:*

1. I understand that SCA is a Christian school and that my child will be taught the precepts of the Christian faith.
2. I understand that SCA requires Bible each semester and attendance at weekly chapel services.
3. I understand that my child is required to attend church services with his/her host family; obey all house rules; take part in family activities; help with chores; and demonstrate respect, care, and understanding to the host family at all times.
4. I agree to support the administration and faculty in the enforcement of SCA policies clearly outlined in the Student Handbook.
5. I give permission for my child to take part in all routine school activities, including sports and school-sponsored trips. I absolve SCA from all financial/personal liability to me or my student because of any injury at school or during any school activity.
6. I understand that my child must meet the graduation requirements to receive a diploma. We must prove that all transfer credits meet SCA's standards (he/she may have to repeat a class and lose previous credit) and must pass all required classes.
7. I understand that my child must take a "full course load" (at least 8 units per semester) in order to remain in status with his/her student Visa.
8. I understand that any course outside of SCA classes taken during the school year must have approval of the International Program Director and Academic Dean.
9. I understand that my child must maintain a C average in each class. Failure to do so may require hiring a private tutor at the student's expense. If improvement is not made, the student will be put on academic probation with possible dismissal if the student does not show progress.
10. I understand that my student is required to take a language proficiency test and meet the following score requirements: 8th grade—3.5, 9th grade—3.8, 10th grade—4.2, 11th grade—4.5-5, and 12th grade—5.
11. I understand that my first-year student is required to attend the Orientation Weekend two weeks before school starts.
12. I understand that placement in any regular or honors class will be determined by meeting prerequisite requirements and by recommendations from the College and Career Advisor and the classroom teacher.
13. I understand that my child is considered a minor, regardless of age, and must abide by the attendance, behavior, driving, guardianship, housing, Department of Homeland Security, State of Missouri, and all other rules set forth by SCA. I understand that my child will be dismissed from SCA if these requirements are falsified or challenged.
14. I understand that my child will be dismissed if he/she participates in any illegal activities including drinking or purchasing alcoholic beverages and/or tobacco products; buying, selling, possessing, or using illegal drugs; committing or taking part in an act of violence against another person or property; shoplifting or theft; sexual immorality including sexual relations of any kind outside of marriage; homosexual orientation or activity; or accessing or downloading pornography in any form.
15. I understand that any false information or failure to disclose academic, medical, behavioral, or emotional problems during the application/admission process may result in dismissal from SCA with no recourse and no refunds.

16. I understand it is my responsibility to see that my child receives all required immunizations prior to departing for the U.S. If upon arrival, it is determined that the student is not compliant with required immunizations or booster shots, the student must receive them at his/her expense.
17. I understand that upon acceptance, SCA will issue and mail a Form I-20, which is necessary for the acquisition of a student F-1 Visa. SCA will not be held responsible for the denial of a Visa by any United States government agency (Embassy or Consulate).
18. I understand that my child's progress at school and in the host home, their adaptation, effort, behavior, attitude, and attendance will be evaluated after first semester and the end of the school year. SCA is not obligated to allow him/her to continue.
19. I agree to pay for all bills related to insurance/medical treatment. I understand that medical insurance is included in the total cost of Tuition and Fees and covers students who participate in the SCA interscholastic athletic program.
20. I agree to provide and pay for my student's round trip domestic and international transportation including any additional fees associated with additional luggage or overweight.
21. I agree that I shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless SCA and its representatives from any and all liability and costs for injury to persons and/or property directly or indirectly arising out of my child's actions while at SCA.
22. I understand that cell phones, Chromebooks, or any other electronic devices are a privilege, not a right. The student should only have one cell phone and one Chromebook. I further understand that their use will be monitored. If it is determined that this privilege is interfering with academic and language progress, cultural adaptation, and/or face-to-face social connections, consequences may include temporary confiscation and/or limited use of the device up to dismissal. I also understand that the student is responsible for all cell phone related costs and fees.
23. I understand that for my student to successfully bond with their host family, adapt to the culture, and be successful in reaching his/her goal of language acquisition, there must be limited contact with family and friends. We ask that contact be limited to once a week.
24. While serious dating relationships are not permitted, socializing in groups is encouraged.
25. I understand that visits from the natural parents, family, and/or friends can be disruptive to the adjustment process, especially during the first year. I understand that SCA advises visits take place at the end of the school year. I further understand that the International Program Director (IPD) must preapprove visits during the school year.
26. I understand that leaving the United States during the school year is not permitted. I further understand that travel within the United States will only be permitted with permission and written authorization of the natural parents, host parents, and the IPD.
27. I agree to provide my student with a Chromebook for classroom use and understand that registration of the device with the school technology department is required. I also understand that my student must follow the rules for responsible technology usage.
28. I agree that SCA will not be responsible for the theft or loss of the student's personal belongings for the duration of his/her stay in the U.S.
29. I agree to provide my student with sufficient spending money to cover all personal expenses for the duration of his/her SCA enrollment. I understand that the natural parent is responsible for student lunches charged.
30. I agree that in the case of the necessary relocation of my student to another host family, the student must cooperate completely with the SCA IPD. The IPD will provide relocation only if it is deemed necessary by the IPD.

- 31. Athletic eligibility or participation in extracurricular activities is not guaranteed.
- 32. I understand that my student is prohibited from getting tattoos and body piercings for the duration of his/her stay in the U.S.
- 33. I understand that my student may not operate any motorized vehicle and may not obtain a driver's license while residing with a host family. If my student is residing with a family member, permission to drive must be obtained from the IPD.
- 34. I understand that this Agreement shall legally bind me upon acceptance and reenrollment by SCA, and it shall be interpreted and enforced in Missouri and under Missouri law.

- I/We have read, understand, and agree with the above Acceptance Conditions.
- I give permission for my child's photo to be used in brochures, flyers, newspaper ads, etc.

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Parent or Guardian Signature

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Date

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Student Signature

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Date



# SUMMIT CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

## TECHNOLOGY USE STUDENT CONTRACT FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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SCA is pleased to offer students access to technology resources that operate in a safe, filtered Internet environment. To gain access to the Internet, all students must obtain permission as verified by signatures on this form. All personal and school-owned devices will be subject to the terms of this contract while on campus.

**The following regulations govern network and device use at SCA:**

### **For All Students**

#### **Google Accounts**

- While at school, students should only use their school-issued Google account (@realschoolspirit.org).
- All students have unlimited storage for files in their Google account. Students should only save documents to this account.
- Your school-issued Google account will be immediately suspended when you are no longer enrolled at SCA. For those students who graduate from SCA, one year after graduation, your account will be deactivated.
- Students should not email teachers or other students with personal email accounts.
- Your password should always be private information that only you and your parents know.

#### **Device Use**

- All devices should be used as educational tools/resources and never to harm other people, play games at school, or manipulate their work.
- The use of any technology for the purpose of cheating is prohibited.
- All copyright and trademark rights need to be followed.
- Notify your instructor or administrator immediately if you encounter inappropriate or offensive language, images, or messages.
- Students are not allowed to use mobile device cameras or recording apps at any time, unless permission has been granted by the supervising teacher, administrator, or technology team.
- Personalized screensavers, wallpapers, and protective covers are permitted on personally owned devices. Inappropriate or provocative images including, but not limited to, pornographic images, guns, weapons, inappropriate or threatening language, drugs, alcohol, or gang-related images are not permitted and are subject to disciplinary action.
- Students should only touch, use, or move their own device. If it is necessary to touch, use, or move another student's device, you need to have their permission prior to doing anything or disciplinary action may occur.
- Reckless usage and handling of any technology device or computer equipment may result in the student being held financially responsible for damage to equipment as well as disciplinary action.
- It is the student's responsibility to report any individual who is treating any equipment roughly, accessing areas on the SCA network or the Internet that are inappropriate, or trying to intentionally destroy any programs or properties.

### **For Secondary International Students**

- Secondary students have the ability to print work at SCA at the cost of \$.10 per page to be charged to their family FACTS account.
- Students are allowed one cell phone and a Chromebook which will be registered with IT the department. The school will configure the Chromebook for classroom use and settings should not be changed by the student.
- Students should not use alternate Internet sources (i.e., 3G, 4G LTE, personal hotspot, etc.), install VPN apps, or use VPN login tools that bypass the school's network.
- Any app or other personal software application that is found to be malicious to the network or violates these technology guidelines will need to be removed or uninstalled.
- Using iMessage, FaceTime, WeChat, Kakao, WhatsApp, Social Media, and texting on your devices during school hours is not permitted.
- SCA recommends your device never leave your sight unless secured in your locker but at the least in your backpack or bag.

- SCA recommends that you never loan your device to another student.
- Junior high students will daily check out and check in a school-issued Chromebook. No personal devices are to be used at school.

### **For School-Owned Chromebooks (Junior High)**

- Seventh graders with no lunch detentions may take their assigned Chromebook home during the spring semester.
- Students should not Powerwash or reset their Chromebook.
- Students should only sign into their Chromebook using their school-issued Google account (@realschoolspirit.org).
- Students are expected to accept the responsibility of caring for their Chromebook just as they would any textbook or other school-issued item.
- All Chromebooks need to be kept in the same condition as when they were checked out (i.e., no personal stickers or labels, no software, apps, games, downloaded or installed).
- SCA will maintain Chromebooks unless there is damage due to accident, abuse, or misuse.
- Seventh grade students will pick up their Chromebook each morning and return it at the end of each school day from the Learning Commons cabinet.
- Junior High students are expected to return their Chromebook to the Learning Commons cabinet by 4 p.m. each day. Consequences for not returning their Chromebook are as follows:
  - First time - students will receive a warning
  - Second time - lunch detention in the office
  - Third time - meeting with the principal, lunch detention in the office
  - Fourth time - other possible consequences

### **Administrative Expectations**

Students should understand that the use of the network and devices while at school is a privilege. Students are responsible for displaying behavior that reflects godly digital citizenship. General school rules for behavior and communication apply, especially as communications on the network are often public in nature. The user is responsible for personal actions in accessing and using the school's network, SCA technology resources, and/or personal devices while on campus.

### **Consequences for Poor Choices**

Teachers, administrators, and the technology team may revoke personal use of any equipment at any time if a student is found to be in violation of any part of this agreement. Possible discipline may include and is not limited to:

- The device may be taken to the office. If so, the student or parent will be allowed to pick up the device at the end of the school day. (In some cases, only a parent may pick up the device.)
- The student may be suspended from their device for a period of time.
- The student may receive an after-school detention.
- Student participation in a conference with the teacher, administrator, and parent/guardian.

The administration will have final authority over the student's privilege to use SCA technology resources or personally owned devices on campus and may exercise additional actions, depending on the severity of the infraction(s). Repeated offenses may incur a more severe penalty.

All questions concerning this contract should be directed to the administration.

As a parent or guardian of an SCA student, I have read the SCA Student Technology Contract. I will go over it with my student. I understand that this agreement will be kept on file at the school and that my child will be required to follow all tenets of this document.

# SCA TECHNOLOGY USE STUDENT CONTRACT

## Acknowledgement Page

As a parent or guardian of a student at SCA, I have read the Technology Use Student Contract. I will go over it with my student. I understand that this agreement will be kept on file at the school and that my child will be required to follow all tenets of this document.

Please sign one document per child.

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Parent/Guardian Name (printed)

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

As a user of the SCA campus technology network, I agree to comply with the above stated rules and to use the network in a constructive manner.

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Student Name & Grade (printed)

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Student Signature

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Date