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Statement of Faith

“Educating God’s Children God’s Way” 1 Corinthians 16:19, 20

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

We believe there is one God, eternally existent in the Persons of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (2 Corinthians 13:14, Mark 12:29, John 14:10)

We believe the Bible to be the inspired and only Word of God, preserved for the English-speaking language in the King James Version. (2 Timothy 3:15-17, Mark 13:31, 2 Peter 1:20, 21)

We believe in the virgin birth and deity of the Lord Jesus Christ, 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, pre-millennial return in power and glory. (Isiah 7:14, Luke 1:30-35, Ephesians 1:7, I Corinthians 15:20-23 & 47-57, Acts 1:11)

We believe that for the salvation of sinful men, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential. (John 3:3-6, John 16:7-11)

We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of the pretribulation coming of Christ, and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation. (I Thessalonians 5:5-10, Revelation 20:1-6 & 10-15)

We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in Jesus Christ. (John 17:20-24, Romans 8:29-30)

We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by who’s indwelling the Christian is able to live a godly life. (Roman 8:1-5, Galatians 5:15-18 & 22-23, Ephesians 3:16)

We believe that relationships are to be between a man and a woman, not between a woman and a woman or a man and a man; therefore, we will not admit any student who practices, believes, or behaves in any manner contrary to this belief. (Genesis 1:26-28 & Genesis 2:7, 18, 25 *key words: replenish, multiply – homosexuals cannot replenish or reproduce. All of God’s creation reproduces, Genesis 19:24-25, Romans 1:22-32)

In relying on the teachings of Scripture, Southview Christian School believes that the Bible prohibits sexual immorality of any type, including but not limited to pornography, homosexuality, or any other sexual activity outside the marriage of one man and one woman. On those occasions in which a particular home or student is acting counter to or in opposition to the Biblical beliefs and life style that the school teaches, the school reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to refuse admission to an applicant or to discontinue enrollment of a current student. This includes, but is not limited to, living in, condoning, or supporting any form of sexual immorality; practicing or promoting a homosexual lifestyle or alternative gender identity; or otherwise having the inability to support the moral principles of the school as stated throughout this handbook.

History

Southview Christian School was started in 1971 as the need became more apparent for a Christian day-school to assist parents in providing a Christian education for their children. Southview Christian School was established as a ministry of Southview Baptist Church. The school began with 97 students on September 7, 1971, under the leadership of Pastor Don T. Kisiah. The first graduating class was in 1977 with four students.

Mission and Purpose

Southview Christian School is a Christ-centered educational ministry of Southview Baptist Church designed to educate children in truth and righteousness, to prepare them to meet the challenges of an ever-changing world by pursuing excellence, and to support the Christian family and the Bible-believing church.

Through the continual evaluation and improvement of staff, facilities, curriculum, and activities, we are striving to develop graduates who are:

1. Prepared academically to be successful in college or whatever endeavor they choose.
2. People of honor, integrity, and commitment, living lives based on the principles of God's Word.
3. Christians faithful to God's Word and His church.
4. Leaders in their communities, churches, and places of employment.
5. Committed to building a strong Christian family of their own and who desire a Christian education for their children.
6. Willing to minister to others with a servant's heart.

Affiliation and Accreditation

Southview Christian School is a non-profit organization. We receive no federal or state financial assistance other than a tax-exempt status.

Southview Christian School is a member of the North Carolina Christian School Association (NCCSA) and the American Association of Christian Schools (AACCS), which provide a number of benefits for our students. The AACCS is a nationally recognized accrediting agency.

Admissions

The following steps need to be taken to enroll your child:

1. Request an application and complete the necessary information.
2. Submit the application to the financial office with the registration fee of \$100 (if registered by April 30th). The registration fee will be \$150 if registered between May 1st and July 31st, and \$200 if registered after July 31st. The student's social security number, a copy of the student's birth certificate, the student's immunization record, and any additional information that may assist the office, such as grades and student achievement scores, should be submitted to the school office.
3. Accompany your child to the interview with the administration.

By February 1st, parents of currently enrolled students will receive a re-enrollment packet, which will include a form to be returned to the school office, a copy of the current financial policy, and the tuition rates for the upcoming year. Re-enrollment for current students begins after the second term PTF meeting in January; enrollment for new students begins on March 1st.

Academics

Bible Version

The **King James Version** is recognized as the version that will be used for classroom study, quotation, and memorization at Southview Christian School.

Elementary

The elementary program is designed to develop the learning and study skills necessary for all subject areas, including daily instruction in the Bible. The reading program uses phonics with comprehension and stresses reading for enjoyment as well as information. Participation in the regular chapel programs, concerts, competitions, and recitals gives students the opportunity to use and develop their talents. Language, spelling, reading, math, science, social studies, and Bible are taught in grades 1-6. Elementary music, P.E., art, creative writing, and penmanship are also an important part of the curriculum. The elementary program is designed for the average to above average student.

Junior High

The junior high program stresses skills and knowledge needed for high school. Studying and reading skills are included in our curriculum. Students also have the opportunity to participate in Choir.

High School

Southview Christian School requires successful completion of an academic program that exceeds the mandated requirements for the state of North Carolina. All students at SCS are considered to be college-bound. To graduate, a student must accumulate a minimum of 25 credits in grades nine through twelve, including one credit in Bible for each year at SCS. The academic requirements are:

High School Graduation Requirements: 25 Total Credits {Core Classes: 22 Credits; Electives: 3 Credits}

English: [College-Bound: 4 Credits]

- > English 9*
- > English 10*
- > English 11*
- > English 12*

Math: [College-Bound: 4 Credits {must include Algebra I & II, Geometry, and Advanced Math or Consumer Math}]

- > Algebra I*
- > Geometry*
- > Algebra II*
- > Adv. Math* or Consumer Math

Science: [College-Bound: 3 Credits {must include Physical Science, Biology, and Chemistry}]

- > Physical Science
- > Biology
- > Chemistry**
- > Physics**
- > Anatomy & Physiology*

History: [College-Bound: 3 Credits {listed below}]

- > World History
- > U.S. History
- > Government/Economics

Bible: [College-Bound: 4 Credits]

Phys. Ed. /Health: [College-Bound: 1 Credit]

Language: [College-Bound: 2 Credits {Span. I & II}]

- > Spanish I
- > Spanish II
- > Spanish III

Speech: [College-Bound: 1 Credit]

Electives: [College-Bound: 3 Credits; Advanced: 2 Credits]

- > Keyboarding

- > Computer Application
- > Yearbook***
- > Chorus

*Prerequisite for class is a grade of 77 or higher (9-11) in previous level class or successful completion of summer school program (or retake course the following school year).

**Chemistry and Physics also have a math prerequisite:

Chemistry: Credit/current enrollment in Algebra II.

Physics: Credit/current enrollment in Adv. Math.

***Entrance into Yearbook by special administrative permission only.

In order to graduate from SCS, the final semester must be taken at SCS. SCS will not permit early graduation by a student who wishes to take a summer English credit in order to graduate early.

Summer School

All students at Southview Christian School must pass required subjects with a 70 or higher or summer school will be required to make up the failed subject. Any student who fails three out of the five subjects listed will have to repeat their current grade. Summer school courses cost \$200.00 per course.

- Bible
- English*
- Math*
- Science
- History
- Spanish I & II
- Speech

*All high school students (9-12) must pass English and math with a 77 or higher in order receive course credit. A student who makes a 76 or less will be required to attend summer school.

Report Cards

Report cards are issued every nine weeks and can be viewed on the I-Now website the evening of PTF. If your school account is current, you will have 24-hour access to your child(ren)'s grades. Teachers will update their grade books frequently. You may check on your child's progress daily through I-Now. The grading scale is as follows:

- > A+ 99 - 100
- > A 94 - 98
- > A- 93
- > B+ 92
- > B 86 - 91
- > B- 85
- > C+ 84
- > C 78 - 83
- > C- 77
- > D+ 76
- > D 71 - 75
- > D- 70
- > F 0 - 69
- > I Incomplete

Academic Achievement

Honor Roll (A & A/B) will be recognized at the end of the year and certificates will be based on final grades. **"A" Honor Roll:** Students in grades 1-12 are considered "A Honor Roll" when they receive a grade of 93 or above in all academic classes (have received no "B's").

“A/B” Honor Roll: Students in grades 1-12 are considered “A/B Honor Roll” when they receive a grade of 85 or above in all academic classes (have received no “C’s”).

American Christian Honor Society

Those students entering their junior year with a GPA of 3.68 or better will be considered for induction into the American Christian Honor Society. New members are inducted each spring.

Junior Marshals

The top three students in the junior class with at least a 3.4 GPA will be selected to serve as junior marshals.

Graduating with Honors

A student must have a 3.7 GPA to graduate with honors from Southview Christian School.

Valedictorian/Salutatorian Recognition

Southview Christian School will not recognize or honor a student as Valedictorian or Salutatorian of their graduating class if they do not have at least a 3.5 GPA by the final term of their senior year.

Exam Exemption

All seniors will be exempted from taking second term exams in lieu of their senior trip. Students in grades 7-12 are required to take mid-term exams and finals. A student can exempt the final exam in a course if their IOWA test scores fall in the 75th percentile or higher as well as maintain a “C” average in the class. This pertains to English, math, science, and social studies (history).

Homework

Homework is an integral part of a solid academic program, and its successful completion is essential if learning is to occur. Homework may be assigned nightly. In deference to Wednesday evening worship services, no homework will be given on that day. However, if a student does not complete his/her required class work on Wednesday, his/her class work may become homework and it will be due the next day. Students should turn in work when it is due. Acceptance of late work promotes procrastination. Also, the only subject that may be tested on Thursdays is mathematics (exam week may be an exception to this).

Late Work Policy

All assignments are due on the day and the time of day a teacher designates. On the day an assignment is due, a grade of ‘0’ should be entered into INow for all students present that do not turn in the assignment. A teacher cannot hold a student accountable for late work until this step has first been completed. However, in the event work is turned in late, five (5) points will be deducted for each day late, up to three (3) days, a maximum of fifteen (15) points. If not turned in on day three (3) a zero will be permanently recorded in INow for that particular assignment. Additional points may also be taken off for incorrect or missing portions of an assignment. It is the sole responsibility of the student in all cases to make sure they turn in their work. For example, if Herman Smith has a math assignment due on Monday but does not turn it in, his math teacher should enter a grade of ‘0’ and then when Herman turns it in on Tuesday he receives 5 points less of the grade earned.

Testing Program

Southview Christian School has a detailed program of testing designed to measure the students’ abilities and progress. The results of this testing are used to aid the teachers and administration in improving the curriculum. All students in grades 1-11 are given achievement tests in the spring of each year to measure their achievement in areas of English, math, science, and social studies. SCS uses the IOWA Test of Basic Skills. In addition to these tests, sophomores and juniors **must** take the PSAT, which is a preliminary college entrance exam. The exam fee is \$15. Juniors are encouraged to register for the SAT in the spring. This gives them sufficient time to retake the test if they are not pleased with their score.

End of Year Promotion

A student’s grades and his/her IOWA testing percentile will be evaluated by the administrator at the end of the school year. A student who tests below the 25th percentile and has grades below a “C” will be in jeopardy of grade promotion for the following year.

Transfer Students

Any student who transfers to Southview Christian School will be evaluated by administration to determine the appropriate grade level for the student. Also, any student who transfers the summer before their senior year begins, or during their senior year, will not be given the honor of graduating valedictorian or salutatorian.

Attendance

School Hours

- > Elementary: 8:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.
- > Jr. /Sr. High: 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

In general, students are not to arrive before 7:30 a.m. or stay after 3:10 p.m. Students arriving between 7:30 a.m. and 7:50 a.m. must go straight to the cafeteria.

Elementary

Daily regular attendance enables a student to gain the most in school. In order to be counted present, a student must be in school for more than half a day (kindergarten students - more than two hours). For example, a student (grades 1-6) who is in school until 11:15 a.m. and is checked out for the rest of the day would be considered absent for that day since the total number of minutes out of school exceeded the total number of minutes of school. Also, the student would not be eligible to receive a certificate of perfect attendance.

Junior High & High School

Attendance for junior high and high school (grades 7-12) is recorded on a “class period” basis. If a student is absent (excused or unexcused) for more than fifteen periods for a traditional schedule, and seven days for a block schedule, of any one class, his/her successful completion of that class is in jeopardy and may be required to attend summer school in order to earn course credit. A student who has more than seven/fifteen unexcused absences is considered to be in truancy violation and will be required to make up missed days.

Excused Absences

The day a 7th - 12th grade student returns to school following an absence, he/she must report to the office with a signed note from a parent stating the date and reason for the absence. All excuses must state a reason. “Personal reasons” is not an excuse. Failure of a 7th - 12th grade student to submit a note the first day back from an absence will result in an unexcused absence and two demerits. If no note is submitted on the second day back from an absence, the absence remains unexcused plus five more demerits. If a student fails to submit a note on the third day back from an absence, the absence will be recorded as permanently unexcused. Students in grades K3-6 will turn the note in to their teacher rather than the office. This note must be submitted to the teacher on the day the student returns. Examples of excusable absences are:

1. Sickness
2. Death in immediate family
3. Doctor/Dental appointment
4. Court Appearance

If the reason for the absence is excusable, junior high and high school students will receive an excused absence slip to present to their teachers in those classes that have been missed. Students with excused absences will be allowed to make up missed schoolwork. Students who are absent the day before a test may postpone the test one school day. Students absent on the day the test was given must take the test the day they return. All missed work must be made up within a period of time not to exceed two days for each school day missed. If a student is able, it is advisable for a student to keep up with class work as much as possible during extended absences.

A prearranged, approved absence may be given when the school is advised two school days in advance of the absence. A prearranged absence may or may not be excused depending upon the stated reason for the absence. Examples of prearranged, approved absence would be a college trip or a planned family vacation. *It is the responsibility of the students to get their assignments from their teachers.*

Unexcused Absences

Absences not meeting with the criteria previously listed under excused absences will be considered unexcused. All tests missed during an unexcused absence must be taken and will receive a 20-point deduction in the grade. Students will receive a zero on any quizzes and/or assigned daily work.

Some examples (not an exhaustive list) of unexcused absences are:

1. Running personal errands such as hair appointments, shopping, etc.
2. Doing homework
3. Notes that do not specify why a student is absent
4. Missing a ride to school
5. Trips not approved in ADVANCE
6. Gainful employment (unless approved by the Administrator)
7. Alarm failure (but not including power failure)
8. Running out of gas

Tardiness

The school day begins at 8:00 a.m. After 8:00 a.m., a student is tardy. Excessive tardiness to school is not only detrimental to a child's character, it also causes difficulty for teachers, students, and office personnel. Excessive tardiness on both the elementary and high school levels may jeopardize his/her promotion to the next grade. If tardy upon arrival, all students must go directly to the school office to sign in and receive a tardy slip.

Elementary - Each time an elementary student acquires more than five tardies due to late arrivals, then he/she will have an excused absence recorded on his/her absence file on the day of the fifth tardy.

Jr. High and High School - Each time a junior high or high school student acquires three tardies due to late arrivals, then he/she will have an excused absence recorded on his/her absence file on the day of the third tardy.

General Guidelines

Classroom Attendance

1. Students are not permitted to miss (skip) any class period without prior permission from their teacher. Study Hall is considered a class period (see Disciplinary System).
2. Students are expected to be in their room and seated when the bell rings. Students not in the room when the bell rings will be marked as "tardy." (see Disciplinary System)
3. Students absent for more than half of any class period will be marked absent for that period.
4. If a student is late to class because another teacher kept him/her after class, a note from that teacher should be obtained before going to the next class. If a student goes to the class without a note, he/she will receive the penalty for being tardy to class. (see Disciplinary System)
5. The school day following an absence, students must obtain an "absence slip" from the office. This slip requires the teacher's signature at the beginning of each class missed. This will allow the teacher to mark the absence excused or unexcused. Any student going to class after an absence without a note from the offices will be sent to the office to obtain one.
6. Students missing class periods for excused absences (sports games, doctor appointments, etc.) are responsible for obtaining all class work in advance. They will be accountable for all assigned work as if they had attended class that day unless otherwise instructed by the teacher (i.e. homework).

Classroom Order

1. Students must raise their hand and await acknowledgment before speaking unless otherwise instructed by the teacher.
2. Students are not to leave their desks without permission.
3. Students are not allowed to put their heads on their desks.
4. Eating and drinking is not permitted in the classroom (this includes candy, mints, water, and gum). Students must receive permission prior to using "cough drops."
5. Students are not allowed to throw any item at any time.

6. No student is to be out of class without a pass.
7. Students are to address teachers with respect. Disrespect will not be tolerated. Students are also to have respect for the property and feelings of others.
8. Students are expected to be courteous at all times to teachers, fellow students, and guests.
9. Study Hall is a class period, and adherence to all normal classroom guidelines is expected of our students.

Prohibited (General)

1. Drinking, immoral sexual behavior, using, handling, or pretending to use or handle illegal drugs
2. Fighting, stealing, profanity, smoking, vaping, sexting, gambling, or possession of obscene literature
3. Electric readers, iPads, headphones, DVD or DVD players, radios, comic books, toys, playing cards, magazines, etc. are not to be brought to school unless they are part of an assignment
4. Knives, squirt guns, matches, firearms, ammunition, fireworks, or any other weapons are not permitted on school property
5. Unsecured cell phones
6. Cheating - Any student caught cheating will receive a zero on the assignment, the parents will be called, and he/she will be subject to further disciplinary action
7. Improper physical contact (handling, kissing, etc.) is not permitted at school or school activities
8. Students are not to enter another person's locker or personal belongings without permission

School Property

1. Chewing gum is not permitted.
2. Trash should always be placed in proper containers.
3. Desks and lockers should be kept neat and orderly.
4. Eating and drinking in places other than designated areas is not permitted.
5. Southview Christian School is considered God's property. Proper care will reflect the quality and attitude of our students and faculty. Students should keep the grounds and buildings clean. When property is damaged, students may be expected to pay for the repair/replacement costs. In addition, willful destruction may also be grounds for disciplinary action (possibly dismissal).
6. Textbooks that are rented to students are considered school property. Therefore, students are expected to keep covers on textbooks at all times and return the book to the school in excellent condition (no writing, pages ripped or other damage). 50% of replacement cost for damaged textbooks will be charged to the student's account.
7. The parking lot is off limits to all students during normal school hours without administrative approval. Tampering with another person's automobile during school or at any school-related function is prohibited and will result in severe disciplinary action. Loitering in the parking lot is prohibited at any time.
8. No student should drive any vehicle, other than their own, this includes school vehicles.
9. Trash cans by the drinking fountains are only to be used for the cups provided for the drinking fountains.

Dress Code

The dress code policy for Southview Christian School is "selective attire" for all students in K3 – 12th grades. Several advantages of maintaining dress code standards include: 1) A dress code promotes a more serious school atmosphere which emphasizes academics and promotes good behavior; 2) Dress codes have proven to increase student achievement by encouraging students to concentrate more on their studies and less on their wardrobe. A de-emphasis on clothing can also save money, as there will be less pressure to keep up the expensive trends and fashions; 3) Dress codes in school settings reduce social conflict and peer pressure that may be associated with appearance.

We have partnered with French Toast to meet our uniform needs. For the 20/21 school year, purchasing uniforms from French Toast is still optional. We will be implementing our dress code standards using French Toast exclusively for polos and outerwear in the 21/22 school year. The objective of this policy is to reduce the confusion (and thus, possible confrontation) between students, parents, and the school over our dress standards. Many times, this can lead to frustration on the part of all who are involved. Our desire is

that the students of Southview Christian School portray principles of modesty, appropriateness, and distinction of sexes.

Students will be expected to dress neatly, cleanly, and modestly. The administration of Southview Christian School reserves the right to determine that any article of clothing is inappropriate for school wear. This may include clothing items that are too tight, immodest, or worn inappropriately. In this case the student may be sent home to change, or parents may be contacted to bring a change of clothing. A student who is out of dress code will be unable to attend classes until their dress meets dress code standards.

This dress code applies to ALL grades and to ALL school functions, games (home and away), field trips, Fall Festival, recitals, PTF meetings, etc., Students are to be in school dress when attending driver's education courses at another school. All students should abide by these standards at all school-related activities. Certain standards may be relaxed at the discretion of the administration for extracurricular activities. If so, announcements will be made to that effect.

Girls

All items of clothing must be worn both modestly and appropriately. Shirts must be in a polo style with buttons and be of a solid color with no manufacturers' logo. Shirts must be buttoned. Girls may leave their polos untucked provided they keep a neat appearance. Shirts that are excessively long or that have a sloppy appearance may not be worn. The length of the skirts should be no shorter than the bottom of the knee when standing and sitting. The approved skirt colors are as follows: navy blue, black, and tan. Skirts should be of a solid material (no lace, brocade, etc.) and cannot be heavily embellished. For example, skirts that have some sequins around the pocket area is acceptable, but should not be seen elsewhere on the skirt. Shoes can be casual style (i.e. Sperry style or Keds) and should be worn at all times. Girls are not permitted to wear athletic shoes (i.e. basketball shoes, running shoes, etc.). For safety reasons, shoe heels should not exceed 1 inch. Sandals may be worn provided the strap's thickness covers a large portion of the top of the foot and fastens around the ankle. Flip-flops may not be worn. Neon or fluorescent colored shoes or shoestrings are not permitted. Shoestrings must be fully laced and tied at all times. Any outerwear worn should be SCS attire only. Girls may wear a knitted cardigan in the following approved colors: navy blue, white, and black. Cardigan should be tightly knitted and should not have lace, holes or fringe. Failure to follow school dress code standards will result in demerits (See Disciplinary System). Any questionable items must be approved by the administrator.

K3-6th grade girls may wear scooters/skorts. Scooters must go to the top of the knee. Skirts may go to the top of the knee only if wearing shorts underneath, otherwise they must go to the bottom of the knee when standing and sitting. We encourage elementary girls to wear bike shorts under their skirts for modesty.

Hair

A radical change in hair color is not permitted. Highlights are fine. Faddish or eccentric haircuts are not permitted. While many styles of haircuts do conform to our regulations, they violate our desire to avoid those styles that would associate our students with worldly groups or movements or an unkempt look. Any style which causes undue attention will not be allowed.

Earrings

Girls are allowed two pairs of earrings in their earlobes. Cartilage rings are not permitted. Jewelry must be worn in moderation. Jewelry that represents worldly fashions and/or refers to something inappropriate is prohibited. Nose rings are not permitted.

Boys

Boys must wear, with their appropriate clothes, a belt, socks, and approved shoes at all times. Shirts must be in a polo style with buttons and be of a solid color with no manufacturers' logo. Shirts must be properly buttoned and tucked in at all times. Pants (no shorts or jeans) may not be too baggy or worn pulled down below the waist. The approved pant colors are as follows: navy blue, black, and tan. Boys are forbidden from wearing earrings, necklaces or bracelets.

K3 – 6th grade boys may wear tennis shoes as long as they are laced up and look nice. K3-3rd Grade boys are not required to wear a belt and may purchase pull on elastic waist uniform pants. Students in grades 7th – 12th may wear any type of solid tan, black, brown, and grey dress shoes or casual shoes (i.e. Sperry

style or Vans). Boys are not permitted to wear high top tennis shoes, or sandals during school hours. Boys are not permitted to wear athletic shoes (i.e. basketball shoes, running shoes, etc.). Neon or fluorescent colored shoes, shoestrings, or decorative designs are not permitted. Shoestrings must be fully laced and tied at all times. Any outerwear worn should be SCS attire only. Failure to follow school dress code standards will result in demerits (See Disciplinary System). Any questionable items must be approved by the administrator.

Hair

Boys are to have gentlemanly haircuts. The entire ear is to be exposed. Hair should not cover the neck so that it hangs down on the collar. Hair should not be unusually thick or bushy. Bangs should be no longer than the middle of the forehead. Faddish or eccentric haircuts are not permitted. While many styles of haircuts do conform to our regulations, they violate our desire to avoid those styles that would associate our students with worldly groups or movements or an unkempt look. Any style which causes undue attention will not be allowed (we prefer the tapered style of cut). If a haircut reminder is given, a student has three days to get a haircut according to school standards before disciplinary action is taken on the first offense. After the first offense, demerits will be issued without a warning. Boys are not allowed to have facial hair and must be clean shaven. **THE BOTTOM LINE: Look Neat and Sharp at All Times!**

Casual Fridays

Students may dress more casually on *designated* casual Fridays while continuing to project a modest image. Jeans for boys and jean skirts for girls may be worn if they are in very good condition, they must still meet school dress standards. On those days when the dress code is relaxed by the administrator, students are expected to dress in good taste.

Junior High and High School Athletic Privileges

Athletic students are required to dress up on both home and away games. Males are expected to wear a button up shirt with a necktie or bow tie, dress pants, belt, dress socks, and dress shoes. Ladies are expected to wear a dressy dress or a dressy blouse and dressy skirt, and dress shoes. All clothing must still meet school dress standards.

Picture Days

For fall pictures, students must be in their school uniform. These are also their pictures for the yearbook. Spring pictures allow for dressing up. Please remember to follow the school dress standard, or you will not be allowed to have your picture taken.

PE Uniforms

All students in grades 7th - 9th will have a standard PE uniform that must be obtained through the school. These shorts will also be worn for all athletic practices by all teams, unless otherwise noted. The length of PE shorts should be no shorter than the middle of the knee when standing and sitting.

Failure to dress appropriately for PE will be reflected in a student's grade for that class. All students will be required to have a pair of clean, non-marking tennis shoes to wear which have not been worn outside (i.e. these cannot be the same shoes that are worn to the gymnasium).

Parents' Dress

Parents are asked to please dress appropriately when visiting our school or attending school functions. We realize that parents will not own selective attire, but we would ask that you conform to the general guidelines of modesty and appropriateness that our students adhere to each day.

Dances

The school will not give written or verbal permission for a student to go to any proms or dances. It is our guiding principle not to give permission for any such activities.

Lunch

Food items are available for purchase at lunch and break. The lunch orders will be picked up daily. Junior high and high school students will order their lunch in homeroom; for elementary, it will be the teacher's responsibility to fill out the daily lunch menu each morning and place it outside the classroom in your teacher folder or door box.

Students may bring their lunch from home, however, supplies such as forks, spoons, and plates should be brought from home if needed. **Condiments are only available with purchased food items.** The lunchroom will not provide these items. Junior and senior high students should bring their lunch to the lunchroom at the beginning of the day. No food or drink is permitted in your locker.

For elementary students, there will be no talking the first 15 minutes. Students may talk quietly the last 15 minutes.

Only 4th graders and up are allowed to use microwaves to heat their lunches. The lunchroom staff will not be able to heat up lunches for the lower elementary. This will be the teacher's responsibility. K5 – 3rd grade teachers should not take more than 2 minutes to heat up their student lunches in order for them to have time to eat.

There should be no sharing of any food or drinks.

Snack Fee

K3-K5 students are charged a snack fee. The amount of this fee is \$100 per year and it will be billed with your monthly tuition payment.

Breaks

Junior high and high school has their snack break in the lunchroom. K3– 6th grades will have their snack break in their classrooms. Notify Mrs. Cavin if schedule changes take place that will interfere with normal snack times.

Lunchroom Charges

If a student needs to charge a lunch and his/her parents have not contacted the school, they will be allowed to only charge up to \$15. For students that have unpaid lunch charges and do not have lunch, they will be provided a peanut butter sandwich to eat. If the lunchroom charge is not paid by the 10th, no additional charges will be allowed. There will be no exceptions.

Senior Lunch Privilege

Once every quarter the Administrator will select a day that the seniors may take a longer than normal lunch break and have lunch off-campus. Students must have parental permission to ride together. Males may only ride with other males and ladies may only ride with other ladies.

Prayer

We start our day with pledges and an opening prayer, and we pray over our food. All students are expected to be reverent during prayer time, bow their heads, and close their eyes.

Emergency School Closing

SCS follows Iredell-Statesville School system for school closings due to inclement weather. It will be announced on the local television stations: WCNC (channel 36), WSOC (Channel 9), and WBTV (Channel 3). We will first use our School Cast system to send a message to you personally. Please make sure the office has your current phone number.

Distance Learning

In the event that we have to move to distance learning, all teachers and staff will be required to report to SCS every regularly scheduled school day. All classes must still be taught via video, zoom, etc. according to the regular schedule.

Junior high and high school students will be required to attend all classes to receive the proper credits.

Elementary parents need to help make their child's education a priority.

Absences for synchronous classes must be communicated before the session is set to begin. If communication has not been made with the teacher, we must mark students tardy/absent.

- A tardy will be issued after 5 minutes of the beginning of a live session.
- An absence will be issued after 15 minutes from the beginning of a live session.
- You are still expected to communicate with teachers regarding make-up work for all planned or unplanned absences.
- It is considered an excessive absence when three (3) consecutive class periods are missed and there is no communication from students or parents.

Telephone Usage

In the event of illness or emergency, students should come to the office, with the teacher's written permission, in order to phone home. Phone usage does not constitute an excuse for tardiness. The phone is for SCS personnel. We encourage parents not to use the school phone as a message board for their child. All messages will be taken by the secretary. Children will not be allowed to call during school hours unless it is an emergency.

Cellular Phones

Students are not allowed to have cellular phones during school hours. However, we recognize that cell phones for our athletes and student-drivers are needful. Cell phones are not allowed to be kept in cars during school hours. If a junior high or high school student brings a cell phone to school, he/she must turn in their cell phone to their homeroom teacher. Their phone will be securely kept in the school office during school hours and will be returned prior to dismissal. Any misuse of this rule will be handled by the administrator. The school will not be held responsible for any cell phone that is stolen on school property.

Social Media

Since Southview Christian School is a ministry of Southview Baptist Church, students should reflect a Christian testimony on social media (i.e. Facebook, Instagram, Snap Chat, etc.). Public posts which are immodest or immoral and do not reflect a Christ-like behavior, should be avoided. These posts could be through pictures or statements. The Administrator has the right to dismiss any student who brings harm to the testimony of the ministry of Southview Christian School and/or Southview Baptist Church. Prior permission is needed to include SCS in any websites or social media.

Field Trips

Students are encouraged to participate in field trips that are planned and organized for their grade level. Many times, the field trips are designed to coincide with and enhance the material covered in the classroom. Field trips are taken at various times during the school year to places of educational interest. There is so much a child can learn and benefit from on these trips; therefore, all students are expected to attend. Parents may be invited to serve as chaperones. The school requires parents to uphold and follow the same standards, dress, and conduct as is required of the students. These standards must be followed for special days such as: parties, field day events, etc. School dress is required for all field trips unless administration deems the activity warrants other attire. Our students are a testimony everywhere that they go, especially when they are in a group. Teachers will communicate with parents about field trips no less than three weeks prior to the event. An earlier notice will be given when possible. Field trips vary in cost; but they always include the transportation fee, admission fee, lunch, and activities. Electronic games, magazines, or valuable items should not be taken on field trips.

Illnesses

Whenever possible, please administer medications to your child when he is at home. If it is necessary for them to take medication while at school, we will be glad to assist you. Only the school office or certified personnel is to administer any medications. Any medication to be taken during the day by a child must be kept in the school office. The school office cannot administer medication to a child unless the medication is brought from home with a note stating the child may receive it as prescribed. This includes over the counter medicine (e.g., acetaminophen, aspirin, ibuprofen, etc.). Students are not to take medication without following this procedure unless special permission is granted. No student is to be given or receive

any type of medication/drug to or from other students or teachers. NO MEDICATION IS TO BE KEPT WITH THE STUDENT. No medication will be dispensed after 3:00 p.m..

Any student who becomes sick and cannot go to class must report to the school office right away. If a student is too sick to attend class, they must go home. The student must contact a parent and either check out (if they drove to school) or wait by the office for the parent to arrive. If a student cannot get to the school office due to his or her condition, someone must be sent to get a faculty member. Absence from a scheduled activity without contacting a faculty or staff member will be considered unexcused (for all students involved).

For the wellbeing of all our students, it is our policy that a student remains at home 24 hours without a temperature of 100°F, without vomiting, or after the administration of an antibiotic before returning to school. This policy must be adhered to for all functions related to school. The only exception to this will be with a doctor's note.

Children should remain home or will be sent home when the following occurs:

- Fever over 100°F
- Rash combined with fever over 100°F
- Unusually lethargy, irritability, persistent crying, difficulty breathing, or other signs of possible severe illness
- Diarrhea (children will not be admitted until 24 hours after the last bout of diarrhea)
- Vomiting, unless the vomiting is determined to be due to a non-communicable condition, and the child is not in danger of dehydration (children will not be readmitted until 24 hours after the last vomiting episode)
- Mouth sores associated with the child's inability to control his saliva, until the child's physician or the local health department states that the child is noninfectious
- Rash with fever or behavior change unless a physician or the local health department states that the child is noninfectious
- Rash with fever or behavior change unless a physician or the local health department has determined the illness to be non-communicable
- Purulent conjunctivitis (pinkeye) until 24 hours after treatment has been started
- Impetigo until 24 hours after treatment has been started
- Strep throat until 24 hours after treatment has been started and until the child has been without fever 24 hours
- Scabies until the morning after the first treatment
- Chicken pox until at least six days after onset of the rash
- Whooping cough until five days of antibiotic treatment has been completed
- Mumps until nine days after the onset of parotid gland swelling
- Measles until four days after disappearance of rash
- Other symptoms that indicate a serious or contagious condition

Rock Music Policy

The purpose of a Christian school is to assist the family in molding young people's lives both spiritually and academically so that they can serve fully in His perfect will. Rock music is part of Satan's secular system that seeks to promote rebellion, the occult, drug culture, suicide, and promiscuity in the lives of both Christian and unsaved young people. Southview Christian School considers listening to this kind of music to be detrimental to the spiritual, moral, and intellectual life of every young person. Therefore, any form of rock music and/or paraphernalia such as CDs, iPods, downloads, pictures, posters, magazines, emblems, etc.) are prohibited and will be confiscated. If a student is found with ear buds or earphones during school hours or on a school function, then they will also be confiscated. This includes the singing and/or whistling of any rock song or the drawing of any rock emblem/symbol/name. Any of the above will be considered an infraction of school rules and will be dealt with through the disciplinary system. Mp3's, iPods, or any other type of music producing devices should not be brought to school or any school-related function. Southview Christian School does not differentiate between so-called "genres" of rock music such as heavy metal, soft rock, new age, oldies, rap, hip-hop, country, or Christian rock.

Boy–Girl Relationships

Southview Christian School believes that wholesome and discreet relationships between boys and girls should be practiced. SCS students are asked to maintain a high standard of conduct and behavior whether at home, school, or elsewhere. The following guidelines should be observed:

1. Holding hands, tickling, hugging, embracing, kissing, or similar forms of physical contact will not be permitted while at school or at school-related activities. Parents are asked to help encourage their child about this issue.
2. No form of touching is allowed at school or at school related activities. No couple is allowed to be in an automobile together on school grounds. Couples should always be in an open and observable location.
3. These rules apply to non-SCS students who are on campus for any period of time.

Chapels and Assemblies

Students are to enter and exit the auditorium quietly and orderly at all times. No gum is to be taken into the auditorium at any time for any reason. Students will be assigned seats in which they are to sit. All students must take their Bible (King James Version) to chapel. Chapel disturbances are irreverent and will not be permitted. This includes talking, excessive noise, passing notes, doing schoolwork, or any distraction to another student or speaker. This rule applies to the song service as well as announcements, the message, or program. Attendance at our weekly chapel services is mandatory for all students of Southview Christian School.

Student Drivers/Parking

Students driving to school will be required to provide a copy of insurance, licensure, and vehicle tag number to the school office. Driving to school is a privilege. Any student who abuses this privilege will not be allowed to drive to school. Students will park in the side parking area and must proceed immediately into the building. Loitering in the parking area before, during, or after school hours is prohibited. Students who abuse this privilege will lose the privilege of driving to school. Students should not allow others to drive their vehicles. Only students whose parents have granted permission to the office will be allowed to ride with student drivers. We expect students to be courteous and kind to all other drivers and pedestrians. Students must guard their testimony in the way they drive on and off campus. You must use the exits and entrances designated for school days. **You cannot exit by senior parking!**

Senior Parking Spaces

Senior students will have the opportunity to have a special reserved parking space. This space can be painted and designed to express your individuality. All designs and markings must have prior approval by the Administrator. The cost will be \$10. This will go toward repainting the parking spots at the end of the school year.

Leaving School Early

Junior high and high school students planning to leave school early must bring a parent-signed note to the office stating the reason for early dismissal. The note must be brought in by the morning of early dismissal. They will then obtain a permission slip, which must be signed by the teacher of any class being missed (done between classes only). This slip is then brought back to the office and turned in when the student signs out. The school secretary must approve your permission slip before you leave. Students must have a valid reason for planning to leave school early (doctor's appt., funeral, etc.). Requests for early dismissal may or may not be approved. **Seniors wishing to leave early for the purpose of work must provide a permission form signed by the parent, weekly log showing days worked signed by the employer, and maintain a minimum of a 3.4 GPA.**

Formal Dress

Guidelines for formal dress may be obtained through the school office. Girls will be required to have their dresses checked for the high school banquet and homecoming. Noncompliance will result in not being able to participate.

Hall Traffic

Students should exhibit courtesy and consideration when traveling our hallways. Please walk to the right of halls and stairways. Running is not allowed in any building other than the gymnasium. Students in the hallways during normal class periods without the proper pass will receive demerits.

Closed Campus

Southview Christian School operates a “closed campus.” This simply means that no visitor may come to see any student without getting prior approval from administration. Of course, students may not leave school grounds without permission. All parents arriving during normal school hours to pick up students must report to the office and not to the child’s classroom. The office will notify the teacher, who will send your child to meet you at the office. Parents wishing to eat lunch with their child may order and pay in the morning with your child’s class. During the lunch period, parents must obtain a visitor’s pass; all other visitors require parent approval and prior permission from administration.

Conflict Resolution

Many times, problems arise in an educational setting due to a lack of communication. Southview Christian School is committed to keeping each parent involved in their child’s education through such means as the yearly calendar, information posted on the INow system, and weekly informational newsletters from your child’s teacher (elementary only). Teachers are encouraged to contact the parent in an attempt to work out a solution when a problem surfaces. At the same time, parents are encouraged to contact their child’s teacher when they have a concern. If, after the teacher and parent have conferred, the problem is still not resolved, parents are encouraged to ask administration to become involved. The above stated guidelines are based on the principles found in Matthew 18.

Fundraisers

Individual class or group fundraisers must be approved by the administration and placed on the school calendar. No fundraiser may coincide with a school-wide fundraiser. All of our athletic department programs rely heavily on fund-raising activities. Athletic teams, Booster Club, yearbook staff, and the freshman-senior classes will be the only groups allowed to sell any commercial items outside the school.

Student Organizations

Students entering 11th Grade who meet the established criteria may be inducted into the Southview Christian School chapter of the American Christian Honor Society. The criterion for induction includes:

1. Scholarship—maintains a cumulative scholastic average of 92% (3.68 GPA)
2. Leadership
3. Service
4. Character

Students in the American Christian Honor Society fulfill their responsibilities in the area of service by being involved in various community projects. Should a member’s GPA drop below 3.68, a probation period of one semester will be given to bring the grade up. After that, the student will be removed from the ACHS.

Lost and Found

Any items left in the hall, classroom, bathroom, locker rooms, or outside (not in an approved storage area) will be placed in “lost and found” and kept by Ms. Castillo. Please turn in all items to her. Please label all items of clothing, etc. so that they can be returned to the owner. If your child is missing something, please feel free to check with our office. Lost and found items will be placed on tables in the back of the cafeteria during P.T.F. meetings. Notification will be sent home through the school website. Unclaimed items, other than selective attire, will be given to Goodwill. At the end of the school year, selective attire items will be sold at the clothing consignment sale.

Help Classes

Students who need extra help in any course, and who will profit from it in the estimation of the teacher, may be asked to attend help classes. Others who feel the need for special help are welcome to check with any teacher for such help. **Students should make every effort to succeed when receiving extra help from teachers.**

Withdrawal and Dismissal

Withdrawal from school must be made through the school office. Report cards will not be issued to any student whose account is not current. This includes all yearly fees, including book fees and matriculation fees. A student may be dismissed from school at any time he is found to be out of harmony with the rules of the school. Curriculum is property of SCS; students are not permitted to take materials when being withdrawn or dismissed.

Demerit System

Discipline Cooperation

Attendance at Southview Christian School is a privilege, not a right. Anyone who will not cooperate spiritually, morally, scholastically, or in discipline will be required to withdraw or be expelled. Students found to be out of harmony with Southview Christian School's ideals may be asked to withdraw whenever the administration deems it necessary. Southview Christian School expects its students to live above reproach, showing respect to God, country, family, faculty, and fellow students.

Southview Christian School needs and expects full cooperation from both student and parent in the education of the student. If at any time the school feels that this cooperation is lacking, the student may be requested to withdraw. Also, if the student's behavior is indicative of an uncooperative spirit, he/she may be requested to withdraw. Southview Christian School will not retain a student whose attitude is a liability and not an asset to the institution. Southview Christian School is not a corrective institution. Consequently, we ask that you do not enroll your child with the idea that we will reform him/her. We are here to work with the home, but not take the place of the parents.

At all times, students must conduct themselves in a manner becoming of a Christian. Bullying, be it physical, verbal, or social, will not be tolerated. Consequences of bullying will be an automatic one day out-of-school suspension with possible dismissal if continued.

Southview Christian School is dedicated to the training of children in a program of study, activity, and living that is Christ-centered. We believe that "all things should be done decently and in order" and that our responsibility is to "walk honorably before all men." Thus, at Southview Christian School we attempt to maintain a style of discipline which is consistent, fair, and tempered with love, and is administered with a genuine regard for the well-being of our students.

Junior High and High School In School Suspension (ISS)

The purpose of ISS is to assist teachers with students who have a difficult time with self-control in the classroom. If a student is written up for disrupting a classroom, he/she will receive 1 point towards ISS. A student will be placed in ISS the Thursday of the next week that he/she receives the 3rd point. A student serving ISS will be given his/her school assignments and kept away from fellow students for the day. ISS points do not reset each semester. An accumulation of three times serving in ISS will result in one out of school suspension (OSS). Please use your I-Now account to follow your child's accumulation of ISS points and their demerits.

Elementary Disciplinary System

The classroom teacher will handle most problems. On occasion, the child may be sent to the office for further disciplinary action if he/she does not respond to classroom correction. We make it a policy to call parents after serious or repeated offenses. If a student is out of harmony with Southview Christian School, he/she may be asked to withdraw whenever the administration determines it is necessary.

Jr. /Sr. High Disciplinary System

{Obtainable Levels* / Disciplinary Action}

Level One: Ten Demerits (Accumulated)

- Call to parents
- Four hours of Saturday School**** (workday)

Level Two: Twenty Demerits (Accumulated)

- Call to parents
- Four hours of Saturday School**** (workday) and one day ISS
- Conference with student

Level Three: Thirty Demerits (Accumulated)

- Letter sent home to parents.
- Four hours of Saturday School**** (workday) and two days ISS
- Conference with student, parents and administrator

Level Four: Forty Demerits (Accumulated)

- Letter sent home to parents.
- Conference with student, parents, and administrator
- Student placed on probation, dropping of all extra-curricular activities (A.C.H.S., S.G.A., participation in sports, field trips, etc.). Probation will roll over to the following semester.
- One day of out-of-school suspension***

Level Five: Fifty Demerits (Accumulated)

- Two days of out-of-school suspension***

Level Six: Seventy Demerits (Accumulated)

- Expulsion

* Demerits accumulate by semester. With the exception of classroom disruption points, each semester begins with “0” demerits unless a student is on probation; then, demerits roll over to the following semester.

** The last week of each semester is considered double jeopardy. This means all demerits are doubled.

*** Student receives a “0” for all work during out-of-school suspension.

****Saturday school dates will be posted in advance, and students will have adequate time to make arrangements. Saturday School will start at 8:00 a.m. and will end at 12:00 p.m. The cost is \$20.00 and must be paid the morning of Saturday School. A no-show fee of \$50.00 will be billed to student’s school bill who do not show up. A late fee of \$10.00 will be charged to student’s school bill who do not show up on time. Our goal for this is not to punish the parents financially, but to have the student that is attending the detention to pay for this with his/her own funds. Teachers holding Saturday school will earn half of the fees collected for that session.

The following list is compiled for your benefit in achieving a better understanding of our disciplinary system. It is not meant to be an exhaustive list, and it will not incorporate each and every offense that may be committed by a student throughout the course of the school year. Of course, the administration of SCS reserves the right to take any and all disciplinary measures that it deems appropriate as it relates to acts of misconduct on the part of our students:

Two Demerits

- Tardiness (any required activity throughout the day)
- Violation of the out-of-class pass system
- Talking in class (this includes during emergency drills)
- Horseplay
- Unprepared for class
- FFI – failure to follow instructions
- Failure to bring absent note
- Minor dress code violations (things that you would not be sent home for or have new clothes brought to you in order to change)
- Textbooks (rented) without protective covers
- Miscellaneous (administrative decision)

Five Demerits

- Having/eating food (including gum and candy) and/or drink in any interior area other than the cafeteria (unless special permission is granted).
- Having/using comic books, toy, playing card, magazine, etc.
- Miscellaneous (administrative decision)

Ten Demerits

- Having/Listening to inappropriate music (rock, rap, country and western, etc. - any violation of our policy) anywhere on school property or at a school function
- Having/using cell phones, electric readers, Airpods, iPods, iPad, Mp3 player, headphones, DVD or DVD player, radio, etc.
- Entering another student's locker or personal belongings without prior permission
- Major dress code violations (things that you would be sent home for or have new clothes brought to you in order to change).
- Skipping a class
- Horseplay resulting in injury
- Parking lot/ reckless driving
- Stealing
- Cheating
- Miscellaneous (administrative decision)

Twenty Demerits

- Use of profanity
- Smoking
- Vaping
- Gambling
- Possession of obscene literature
- Skipping a school day
- Fighting (one day OSS)
- Miscellaneous (administrative decision)

Thirty Demerits

- Critical and/or uncooperative attitude
- Improper boy-girl relationship

- > Damaging school property (if malicious intent is determined, the student will be responsible for the cost of repairs or replacement)
- > Disrespect
- > Miscellaneous (administrative decision)

Grounds for Immediate Expulsion

- > Drinking
- > Immoral sexual behavior
- > Sexting
- > Using/Handling/Pretending to use/handle an illegal drug
- > Possession of a weapon on school property
- > Miscellaneous (administrative decision)

If a student is placed on probation because of demerits, the student will be expelled the following semester if 70 demerits are accumulated.

Expelled students may be considered for re-admission after sitting out a term. Expelled students desiring to re-enroll will be required to meet with the administrator, their parents, and the pastor. If the expelled student is accepted, he/she will be accepted on probation.

Athletics

The purpose of the athletic program of Southview Christian School is to serve in the educational training of our students. Christian character and leadership are taught through athletic competition.

All students participating in athletics at SCS are to be aware of their responsibilities to God, to their school in regard to their sportsmanship and Christian testimony, and to their teammates in regard to cooperation, preparation, dedication to practice, academic eligibility, etc.

Interscholastic Sports Program

BOYS

GIRLS

Fall	Boys' Soccer	Fall	Volleyball
	Cross Country (TBD)		Cross Country (TBD)
Winter	Basketball	Winter	Basketball
			Cheerleading
Spring	Golf	Spring	Golf
			Girls' Soccer

Eligibility

To be eligible to be a member of a Southview Christian School sports team, a cheerleader, or an officer of a class, drama and/or music productions, a student must hold at least an overall 77 average with no F's and less than 30 demerits. Grades will be reviewed on the first and fifteenth of the month. Students not meeting eligibility will continue to practice, but not be able to dress out for games or travel to away games with the team until the following check. If a student is still ineligible at the next check, they will be unable to participate in practices or games until the next check. If a student is ineligible after the third check, they are no longer on the team. If eligibility is met on a check, students may resume full participation. These rules will also apply to students transferring from other schools.

Booster Club

Parents are encouraged to join the Booster Club, which provides support for the athletic department through fundraisers. The funds which are raised through the Booster Club are used to purchase uniforms and equipment each year for the various athletic teams. Parents who join the Booster Club are given a pass for free admission to all home, regular season athletic events. Our Athletic Program relies heavily on our

fans' and parents' support, both financially and with their personal involvement. We appreciate all of your efforts in our various fund-raising activities, as well as your generous gifts.

Financial Policies 2020-2021

As we begin our 49th year of providing a quality Christian education to the people of Statesville and the surrounding communities, we would like to clearly define our financial policies for you. Differences often occur over finances because of poor communication and misunderstandings. It is our intention to make these policies as clear and as easy to understand as we can. We certainly want to work with you and to help you as you meet your financial obligations to SCS. We have tried to distribute fees and tuition payments out in such a way that an unusually large amount of money is not due at any one time. We are very grateful for so many of you who are prompt and considerate in paying your fees and tuition on time. Thank you for your cooperation.

Re-enrollment Fee

Presently enrolled school families have the opportunity to register at a discounted rate by taking part in early re-enrollment. The \$50.00 per student re-enrollment is only available until February 28, 2021. Regular registration fees are in effect beginning March 1, 2021. The re-enrollment fee is **non-refundable or transferable**.

Registration Fee

The registration fee for newly enrolled students must accompany the application. Presently enrolled students who miss early re-enrollment must pay regular registration rates when they enroll for the coming school year. Students will not be placed on the class roll, and a place cannot be reserved for them in a class, until the registration fee is paid. Payment is due immediately upon mutual acceptance of each new student to Southview Christian School. The registration fee is **non-refundable or transferable**.

K5 Graduation Fee

A graduation fee is charged to each student graduating from kindergarten to help cover the cost of caps and gowns, diplomas, decorations, awards, etc. The kindergarten fee is \$50 per student. The graduation fee must be paid before cap and gown will be issued. This fee is due February 15, 2021 and is **non-refundable or transferable**.

Book Rental Fee

Students are charged a book rental fee for all textbooks that are issued to the students. All textbooks (with the exception of student workbooks) remain the property of SCS. The amount of this fee is included in the 12-month tuition and fee schedule.

12 Month Tuition Plan

Tuition is due on the 1st of each month, beginning June 1, 2020 through May 1, 2021. In the 12 Month Tuition Plan, all fees (per student) and tuition will be spread out in a year's time. Tuition is due the first of each month. Tuition payments are considered late if not in the office on the 10th of the month, at which time a **\$25.00 late charge** will be added to your past due account. To avoid late fees, arrangements must be made through the financial office prior to the due date.

Arrears Policy

Families will not be allowed to have their account fall in arrears. If tuition payments are not paid by the 20th of the month, students will not be allowed to remain in attendance unless arrangements are made with the financial administrator and a financial contract is signed to rectify the account.

If special arrangements are not made with the financial administrator, junior high and high school students will not be allowed to remain in school for review and final exams. Elementary students will not be allowed to remain in school past May 10th unless special arrangements are made with the financial administrator. Any financial questions should be directed to our financial secretary or administrator.

Report cards and transcripts will not be issued if accounts are not paid in full. The purpose of the late charge is not to generate funds, but to encourage our parents to pay their tuition on time. Southview Christian School has set procedures for collecting past due accounts. It is absolutely necessary for us to collect our tuitions and fees as they are due. Southview Christian School receives no federal or state funding. Final grades, transcripts, and diplomas will not be released until all financial obligations are paid in full by the end of the year.

Report Cards

In order for a student to receive or view his/her report card, the account must be current. If any account is not current, remittance must be made to the financial office for any outstanding balance before access to the I-Now is reinstated or a report card is issued.

SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING PAYMENT OF FEES AND TUITION

In order to maintain class position prior to the opening of school, all fees and tuition deadlines must be met as stated in this financial policy. Failure to meet deadlines may result in the loss of class position. Report cards are not issued until your account is current. Final grades, transcripts, and diplomas will not be released until all financial obligations are paid in full. On May 11, 2021, a 5% late fee will be assessed for any outstanding balance due. A 1% late fee will be assessed on the 11th of each month thereafter on any outstanding balance.

Athletic Fees

Athletic Fees - charged per student per sport

Sports Fee:	Boys	\$100 per sport*
	Girls	\$100 per sport*
Cheerleading Fee:	Due at the beginning of cheer season	TBD

** If an athlete gets a corporate sports sponsorship, the sports fee will be reduced by \$50.00.*

After School Care

After school care is billed around the 5th of the month for the prior month. It must be paid by the 15th of the month. Students will not be permitted to return to after school care until the bill has been paid.

Before School Care - available for students in the cafeteria from 7:30 a.m. to 7:50 a.m., Monday through Friday. There is no fee for before school care.

After School Care - Students not picked up by 3:10 p.m. must go to after care regardless of sibling's after school commitments. This program is from 3:10 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. If a child is not picked up by 6:00 p.m., a \$2.50 per minute late fee will be assessed. After school care rates are as follows:

3:10 p.m.-3:30 p.m.	3:31 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	4:01 p.m.-4:30 p.m.	4:31 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
\$2.50	\$5.00	\$7.50	\$10.00 max per day

NOTE: \$2.50 per minute after 6:00 p.m.

Withdrawal and Dismissal

Upon withdrawal or dismissal from school, an exit interview must be completed by the parent or guardian. Report cards and academic records will only be forwarded when all tuition and fees are paid in full and

textbooks returned. This includes book fees and matriculation fees for the year. When a student is withdrawn from SCS, a withdrawal form must be signed so parents are no longer charged tuition. If a student is withdrawn from school or removed for any reason from SCS, a \$100 fee will be charged as well as tuition through the end of the month. If a student withdraws after re-enrollment/registration but prior to March 15th, no penalty will be assessed. The re-enrollment/registration fee is non-refundable.

“Returned Check” Charge

A \$25.00 charge will be added to all accounts for returned checks. Checks will not be accepted from any family after the second returned check for a period of 24 months.

Referral Discount

Current families may receive a referral discount. Families may obtain a copy of our referral program through the school office. In order to receive the referral discount, a referred family must indicate on their application as to which Southview Christian School family referred them. The discount is applicable for one school year. You may inquire at the financial office for more information on discounts.

Non-Discriminatory Policy

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

Search and Seizure

Authorized school personnel may conduct a reasonable search of a student or his/her locker, and/or belongings when they have reasonable cause to believe that the student has an item in his/her possession which may constitute a criminal offense under the laws of this state, or other items prohibited by school rules. The Administration of Southview Christian School reserves the exclusive right to have the Iredell County Sheriff’s Dept. do routine and random checks for illegal drugs anywhere on campus. Students also understand and agree that SCS shall have the right to monitor or examine any electronic device at the school or any SCS activity.

Additionally, SCS may monitor or examine any postings on the Internet or other electronic medium which includes but is not limited to text messages and postings on personal web sites, social networking sites, for example “Facebook, Instagram,” or other private or public domains. Such monitoring includes but is not limited to all verbiage, pictures, depictions, graphics, and videos. Students understand and agree that they are responsible for and may be subject to disciplinary action for inappropriate material sent, posted, made available, shown to others, or possessed by the students themselves. Students are to behave in a manner that is pleasing and honoring to God and themselves. We are representing God, our families, ourselves, and Southview Christian School.

Additional Student Responsibilities

Southview Christian School places emphasis upon the greatness of America’s heritage and the sacrifices of its heroes. America is a republic which guarantees liberties to educate and to preserve freedom. We unashamedly teach the Biblical doctrines of self-discipline, respect for those in authority, obedience to law, and love for flag and country.

Pledges: A demonstration of an individual’s love and appreciation for our country, our Savior, and the Bible is the freedom afforded to every citizen of our country and an opportunity provided to every student of SCS. Students daily recite the words of the pledges given below. This is a continual reminder of the honor and privilege one has both an American citizen and Christian. ***Students unwilling to stand and make the following public pledges will not be considered for enrollment.***

Pledge to the American Flag

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Pledge to the Christian Flag

I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag, and to the Saviour for whose kingdom it stands, one Saviour, crucified, risen, and coming again, with life and liberty to all who believe.

Pledge to the Bible

I pledge allegiance to the Bible, God's Holy Word. I will make it a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. I will hide its Word in my heart that I might not sin against God.

Parent-School Relationship

To increase cooperation and the overall effectiveness of Southview Christian School's educational efforts, parents are asked to carefully practice the following:

1. If any question arises over a decision made or rumor heard, please call the teacher directly. If you are not adequately satisfied, you may contact the school administrator. Complaining to your children, criticizing the school, or calling another parent undermines our position and greatly hurts our efforts with your child. We are most effective when we work together.
2. When a problem arises in the classroom, please discuss it with the teacher first. If the problem is not resolved, the administrator will meet with the teacher or parent.
3. Keeping in mind our dress code for the students, please dress appropriately and modest when coming to the school. Parents are expected to abide by the school dress code when participating in any school related event or function.
4. Please do not use any tobacco products in the buildings, on the property (including in your vehicle), or at a school event.
5. Please understand that messages received late in the day may not be deliverable. Please call as early as possible.

Because almost all of the activities of the school take place in buildings that have been dedicated to the Lord's work, we respectfully request that the ladies refrain from wearing immodest attire during any visit (Deut. 22:5, I Col. 11:14-15). However, it is permissible for ladies to pick their children up from school in modest slacks or shorts. In order to be consistent with SCS policy, we ask that all ladies wear skirts or dresses to activities of the school (including field trips or other outings).

THE EDUCATION OF YOUTH DETERMINES THE FUTURE!

“We know that if we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work upon brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples, they will crumble into dust; but if we work with men and imbue them with principles, we engrave on those tablets something that brightens lives for all eternity.”

Daniel Webster

Statement of Cooperation

Parents: Please read the following statements carefully and sign below to indicate your agreement.

Southview Christian School believes that a positive and constructive working relationship between the school and a student’s parents or guardians and the student is essential to the accomplishment of the school’s mission. We/I hereby affirm that we/I have read the Parent/Student Handbook and discussed its policies with my child(ren). We/I certify that we/I consent to and will submit to all governing policies of the school, including all applicable policies in the Parent/Student Handbook. As such, We/I will not take to social media nor encourage other families to do so should conflict arise with the school faculty or administrators.

We/I will pledge to follow the Matthew 18 principle. We/I understand that the standards of the school do not tolerate profanity, obscenity in word or action, dishonor to our Lord and the Word of God, disrespect to the personnel of the school, or continued disobedience to the established policies of the school. We/I understand that the services of the school are engaged by mutual consent, and that either the school or we/I reserve the right to terminate any or all services at any time.

We/I understand that this handbook does not contractually bind Southview Christian School and is subject to change without notice by decision of Southview Christian School’s governing body. Admission to the school is a privilege, not a right, and admission for one school year does not guarantee automatic admission for future school years. We/I understand all of the policies and agree to honor them as long as my child/children attend/s Southview Christian School.

Parents that enroll their child or children into Southview Christian School must sign and agree to uphold the Statement of Cooperation at time of enrollment. In addition to that statement, the following policies are expected to be upheld:

1. As a parent(s), we/I promise that we/I will pay my school bills on time. If all my delinquent accounts have not been paid and brought up to date after a total of 30 days has elapsed, we/I understand that the school can do the following:

- oWithhold a child from going to class
- oWithhold a report card
- oWithhold cumulative records until the account has been satisfied

2. Since the fees and tuition do not cover the actual cost of educating our child(ren), I recognize that our support is needed in prayer, service, gifts, and fundraising.

3. In full cooperation with the school, We/I will attend the Orientation and Parent-Teacher Fellowship Meetings.

4. We/I sincerely pledge my loyalty to the aims and ideals of the school in spiritual teachings as well as academic training. We/I promise not to make detrimental remarks about Southview Baptist Church or Southview Christian School and will bring any and all questions and criticisms directly to the administration so that they may be properly considered by those in authority.

5. The teacher and administration are hereby given full discretion in the discipline of our child(ren). This includes issuing demerits and detentions, suspension, and expelling from the school program in accordance to the demerit systems.

6. The school reserves the right to dismiss any student who does not cooperate with the educational process, or whose behavior is out of harmony with the school’s philosophy. The administration will determine if a student’s actions, attitude, or behavior.

7. It is my understanding that the school policy states that there will be no refunds on registration fees and the balance of annual fees will be paid along with a \$100 per student withdrawal fee.

We give permission for our child(ren) to take part in any and all school activities, class field trips, including sports and school-sponsored trips and activities, and absolve the school from liability to us or our child because of any injury to us or our child at school or during any school activities which are not the result of gross negligence, intentional negligent, or willful or wanton conduct by the ministry, agents, representatives, or employees.

We hereby affirm that we have read and understand the Statement of Cooperation of Southview Christian School. In addition, the student and parent acknowledge the student's responsibility to rise to the state of self-government, and if not, the student will most likely fail to achieve in our academic environment.

(both parents/guardians must sign)

Parent/Guardian's Name (Print): _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

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Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____