

# Parent Covenant

Hinkletown Mennonite School (HMS) believes strongly that Christian education is a partnership between home, school and church. HMS is a patron-governed school because, once approved by the HMS Board, parents become members of our school family. Thus, parents are an integral part of the educational process that happens at HMS and are invited to be active members of the school community.

## Covenant Statement

As members of the Hinkletown Mennonite School community, we covenant to support our children and the school in the following ways:

### SPIRITUAL LIFE

Sustaining the purpose and mission of HMS to provide quality education within the context of an Anabaptist interpretation of the Christian faith.

- Committing to education under the HMS Statement of Faith\*
- Praying regularly for the school and its programs
- Supporting the school's philosophy of restorative discipline and philosophy of education
- Abiding by the by-laws\*\*, guidelines, & policies of the school

## FINANCIAL VIABILITY

Committing support to the financial and organizational needs of the school.

- Meeting our financial obligations for tuition & fees in a timely manner
- Assisting and promoting fundraising activities with time and resources as God provides them to us

## **EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS**

Partnering with the teachers.

- Nurturing our children as they grow academically, spiritually, socially & emotionally.
- Encouraging a consistent time and place for study at home
- Communicating with teachers and support staff about student/home concerns which might impact student performance
- Encouraging our children to communicate with teachers about their interests, concerns and hopes related to their academics, classroom experience and extracurricular activities
- Use established procedures to discuss issues and to solve conflicts

#### COMMUNITY LIFE

Volunteering time, energy and resources to multiply the efforts of the HMS community.

- Participating in classroom activities, school programs, chapels and field trips
- Attending Parent-Teacher Fellowship events
- Joining other parents in the helpful work of the school community through committees and work-teams