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*(Adapted from Association of Christian Schools International)*

The school board, faculty and staff of Valor International Scholars (VIS) affirm, observe and teach (Deuteronomy 6:1-9) these Biblical truths:

1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative, inerrant Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:21).
2. We believe there is 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 (1 Corinthians 15:3, Ephesians 1:7, Hebrews 2:9), His Resurrection (John 11:25, 1 Corinthians 15:4), His Ascension to the right hand of God (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 are we 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 Christ follower and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life, and they that are lost pass unto eternal separation from God (John 5:28-29, 2 Thessalonians 1:9).
6. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 8:9, 1 Corinthians 2:12-13, Galatians 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; 1 Corinthians 3:16, 6:19-20; Ephesians 4:30, 5:18).
8. We believe that the term *marriage* has only one meaning: the uniting of one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture (Genesis 2:18-25). We believe that God intends 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 marriage between a man and a woman.
9. We believe that God wonderfully foreordained and immutably created each person as either male or 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, Psalm 139:13).

Our Statement of Faith is not exhaustive of all of our beliefs. The Bible, as the inspired and infallible Word of God, speaks with absolute authority regarding the proper conduct of mankind and is the unchanging foundation for all belief and behavior. The VIS school board holds final interpretive



authority on biblical meaning and application with regard to faith, doctrine, policy, practice, and disciplines.

## Valor's Belief Statements

The Bible is God's inspired word revealed of himself to man as his supreme authority for life that he may understand, know, believe, and follow after God in faith and practice.

Each human being is created in the image of God, thus having worth, dignity, and purpose to glorify God and to enjoy him forever.

Each student is a unique creation, whose individual gifts and talents are to be discovered and developed, spiritually, intellectually, physically, socially, and emotionally.

Administration, teachers, staff, and parents are in partnership to lead students to love the Lord with all their heart, soul, and mind and to love others as themselves, serving their Lord and their fellow man after the example of Jesus Christ, the son of God.

The educational environment shall be excellent in quality and in diversity, teaching academics, technology, fine arts and athletics from a reformed, Christian perspective.

Each student shall be taught to bring every thought captive to God's truth, subjecting all areas and activities of life to the scrutiny of God's word and in obedience to Jesus Christ.

Each student shall be equipped to live and to think righteously within a fallen world by relying on God's Spirit, by applying His word, and by imitating Christ.

A commitment to continuous educational improvement is essential in response to changes in the needs of the individual and society, never compromising the Biblical mandate to be "in but not of" the world while transforming the culture for Christ.

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