

**Philosophy** - *All scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, & training in righteousness.* . . . “ 2 Timothy 3:16

God is sovereign and the source of all truth. He has revealed Himself to man through the Bible, through Jesus Christ, and through His creation. The Bible is the sole authority for evaluating truth, determining the basis and implementation of our faith, and for designing our curriculum. Parents have the God-given responsibility to train their children in a manner that develops godly character. San Antonio Christian Schools exists to aid the Christian family and their church in fulfilling this responsibility by assisting in the total educational process. Jesus Christ is the focal point of all activity at San Antonio Christian Schools, therefore goals, plans, and objectives are carefully designed around Him. The Holy Spirit enables these goals to be attained to the glory of God.

**Mission** – *To partner with families to provide students a Christ-centered education while fostering a life of faith and service.*

**Goals - Our goal** is to commit every aspect of SACS to the glory of God. This includes the entire school system from the Board of Trustees to the maintenance personnel, from the curriculum to the extracurricular activities, from the facilities to the finances. The scriptural guideline to reach this goal is expressed in Deuteronomy 10:12-13....*to FEAR THE LORD thy God, to WALK IN ALL HIS WAYS, and to LOVE HIM and to SERVE the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul, to KEEP THE COMMANDMENTS of the Lord.*

From this passage, we derive the following four general objectives:

- *FEAR THE LORD* - Wisdom and knowledge
- *WALK IN HIS WAYS* - Spiritual growth
- *LOVE* - Service
- *KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS* - Responsibility

### Specific Objectives

- A. *FEAR THE LORD* - Wisdom and knowledge
1. To develop in students the knowledge of a loving God who has a purpose and plan for their lives.
  2. To motivate students to be both spiritual and academic learners
  3. To present truth in a manner that it is comprehensible and applicable to each student
  4. To help each student develop the desire to see things from God's perspective
  5. To develop in students an awareness of God's design for the family
  6. To help each student understand his nature as a product of God's special creation
  7. To demonstrate and help students to understand authority structures and the importance of submission to authority
- B. *WALK IN HIS WAYS* - Spiritual growth
1. To encourage each student to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ
  2. To help each student recognize and develop Christ-like character in his life
  3. To build up students in all areas of life toward maturity in Christ
  4. To teach each student to have a personal devotional time daily and to memorize scripture
  5. To have school personnel that models Christian character and victorious Christian living
- C. *LOVE* - Service
1. To teach students to be doers of the Word and not hearers only
  2. To help students develop a sensitivity to the needs of others
  3. To instill the importance of Christian service and ministry
  4. To make students aware of their responsibility toward world missions
- D. *KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS* - Responsibility
1. To help each student grow according to his potential - academically and socially
  2. To develop a sense of stewardship with the things God has entrusted to them
  3. To help students develop self-discipline and personal responsibility
  4. To teach and promote good American, state, and local citizenship
  5. To instill within students an appreciation of their Christian, national, and school heritage
  6. To present post-high school options to students through vocational and academic counseling

**Leadership** - *If anyone sets his mind on being an overseer, he desires a noble task.* I Timothy 3:1

**The Board of Trustees** is the governing body of the school. The biblical qualifications for elders, listed in Titus 1 and I Timothy 3, are used as the standard for selecting board members. Additionally, it is required that all board members' children attend the school and that each board member be a strong supporter of Christian education.

**The Board is responsible for policy formation,** appointment of the superintendent, financial oversight and approval of all staff as recommended by the superintendent. Members are elected to serve a three-year-term by the Board of Trustees. Board members may successive terms as frequently as they feel led by the Lord.