



The Bryn Athyn Church School is guided by the teachings of the New Church. Among these teachings are the following:

- There is one God, the Creator and Redeemer of the world, and He is the Lord Jesus Christ
- The Heavenly Doctrines given through Emanuel Swedenborg reveal a spiritual meaning within the Word of the Old and New Testaments that applies universally to people today.
- The Lord gives every person the ability to recognize good and evil and the freedom to choose between them.
- Each of us continues life as a complete person immediately after death of the body. We go to either heaven or hell according to our choices between good and evil during life in this world.
- We do the Lord's will and express our love for Him when we obey the Ten Commandments, shun evils as sins against Him, fulfill the duties of occupation, and show love for our neighbor by performing unselfish services for family, community, country and church.
- Marriage is a holy covenant, made before the Lord, between one man and one woman. True marriage, held faithfully in this life, continues forever in heaven.
- The Lord has given the Word so that people may know and love Him and live the life that will lead to heaven. If people respond in this way, the Lord can bless them with all happiness to eternity.

The Bryn Athyn Church School exists to provide an elementary education in the light of these teachings. The Writings of the New Church illuminate the nature of children and how best to teach them so that they grow up to live healthy and happy natural and spiritual lives.

Enrollment is open to the children whose parents are members of the New Church and to children whose parents are new to the New Church and demonstrate a sincere interest in its teachings.

Bryn Athyn Church School operates with the conviction that parents and teachers have a profound impact on the mental and spiritual development of young minds. It is important for a child's spiritual development that there is harmony of religious faith and practice between home and school. In order to support understanding and harmony for the child we ask for parental agreement on the essential tenets of the New Church listed above.

The Bryn Athyn Church School seeks to provide children with an education based on the teachings of the New Church to prepare them to become confident, caring, and useful citizens of this world and the Lord's Heavenly Kingdom.



Parental Agreement

Applying child(ren)'s full name(s): _____

I/We understand the statements on the reverse side and we agree to do the following:

1. Attend a Bryn Athyn Church School New-Parent Orientation Night. This event happens shortly after school begins on a weekday evening.
2. Affirm the religious teachings and practices of the New Church with our child(ren).
3. Actively support the school and cooperate with its work of education my/our child(ren). For example, attending New Church worship services together as a family and attending school functions and class programs.

My/Our signature(s) below confirm that I/We accept these provisions in applying for admission for my/our child(ren).

_____ (Parent/Guardian 1)
Signature

_____ (Parent/Guardian 2)
Signature

Date _____

Please return this to the address above, attention Joanne Kiel.