



ADMISSION POLICY

God has given us rich promises, which are repeated every time a child in our community is baptized in church. He promises to be our Father in Jesus Christ, and to grant to us all the benefits of the covenant. These promises are extended to all the children of the covenant.

In response, all the children of the covenant, young and old, have an obligation to live a life of gratitude, which we can summarize with the words of Matt. 22: 37-40.

The covenantal relationship taught by Christ, places us in a faith community, and compels us to accept all the children of members of the Canadian, American or United Reformed Churches. This includes those children who may be challenged physically or intellectually. Not only do we have an obligation to help parents with children with special needs, these students also contribute to the atmosphere of caring within our community.

Children of parents who are not members of a Canadian, American or United Reformed Church may be admitted to John Calvin School at the discretion of the Board. The Board must be convinced that the parents accept the same Reformed principles embraced by the Society, as set out in its Constitution and Bylaws.

Please visit our website for more information www.jcss.ca.

ENTRANCE FEE

Before a child is enrolled in John Calvin School, the parents will be expected to have been members of JCS Society for 2 years before their oldest child enters kindergarten, or 3 years before their oldest child enters Grade 1.

\$125.00 (membership fee) per month X 24 months
(2 years)=**\$3000.00** before oldest child enters kindergarten.

\$125.00 (membership fee) per month X 36 months
(3 years)=**\$4500.00** before oldest child enters Grade 1.



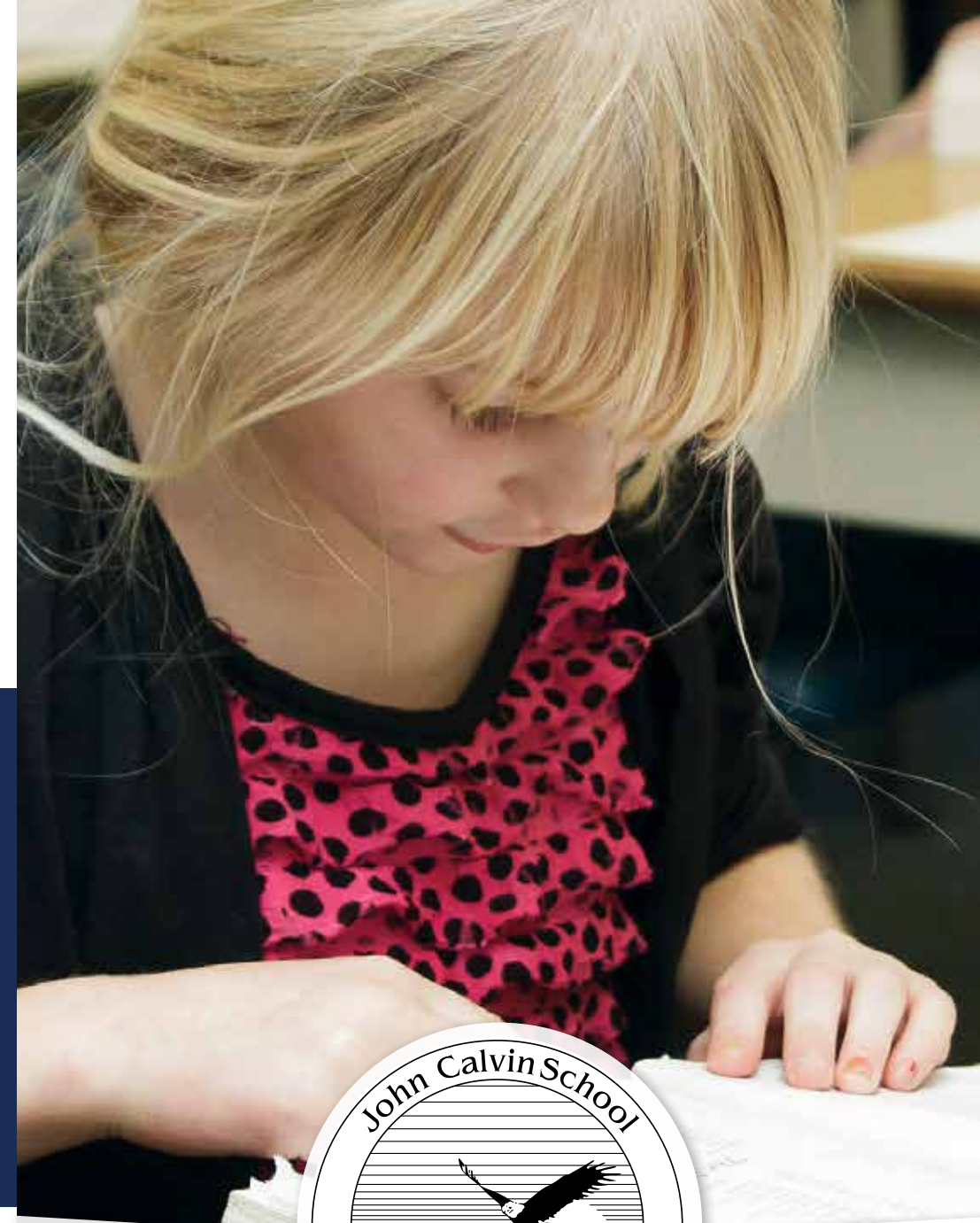
If parents who want to enroll their child(ren) at JCS have not been members for the required number of years in our Society, but have contributed financially to JCS or another Christian school (approved by the board), those financial contributions will be credited towards the two or three year membership requirement. Parents may be asked to verify the amount they have contributed towards Christian education.

The entrance fee is required only for your oldest (first) child. After that is paid, you only pay the membership fees as listed below, regardless of how many children you have enter the school.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

MEMBERSHIP	\$125	KINDERGARTEN	\$365
K - FULL-TIME	\$570	GRADES 1 - 7	\$570
GRADES 8 - 10	\$645	GRADES 11 - 12	\$685

Monthly fees for each school year are payable for the 12 months from September to August. Young people and single people are encouraged to support JCS by donating. Any amount makes a difference!



Christ-centered

education for our children

LEARNING BUILT ON A FIRM FOUNDATION



OUR MISSION

The purpose of our Christian School is to assist parents in educating their children to develop their talents and potential to acquire the knowledge, skills and attitudes for a life of responsible stewardship in God's kingdom.



MEMBERSHIP

WE WANT YOU ... to be a member of the John Calvin School Society. We believe that God has mandated us, as parents, to raise our children to the fear and honor of His Holy Name, and part of this is done through a Christian education.

As an independent school, JCS is supported, in part, by the government. The Society is required to make up the rest of the school's budget. Tackling this as a Reformed community makes for a lighter load to bear for each and every member. We, as Board and membership, encourage you, young and old, to prayerfully consider becoming a member of our Society, and so help us to provide a Christian education for our children.

For a full breakdown of fees, and for all the membership information, please visit our website at www.jcss.ca/membership-info/.

HISTORY

On September 5, 1955, a small Christian school with a Reformed perspective first opened its doors in the Fraser Valley. The founding fathers, recent immigrants from the Netherlands, stressed that all of life must be lived to the glory of God, and that, as faithful Christians, they and their children are called to be "readable letters of our Saviour Jesus Christ". They were convinced that Christian education was a must, and that God would bless their efforts. God has indeed blessed the efforts of those early educational pioneers, as today we continue to send our children to one of 5 local Reformed schools, from Cloverdale to Yarrow.

At present, John Calvin School serves the Canadian Reformed and United Reformed church communities of Abbotsford, Chilliwack and Yarrow. Junior and senior high school students from this catchment area are bussed to Langley.

Our enrollment in September 2014 was 233 students, and we have a staff of 14 teachers, plus teacher's aides.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

All of our children have received different talents and gifts. Some are gifted intellectually, some musically or artistically, some athletically and in so many other different ways. God created us all unique and in His image. As much as possible, we try to build on the strengths of each child and give them extra help in the areas where there are struggles. For some children, learning does not come as easily as for others. If the classroom teacher feels that a student can benefit from extra professional help, they will use the resources of our Learning Assistance program.

A few children however, have special needs: hearing or sight problems, physical or academic problems. The staff of JCS have experience in helping students with these challenges. Therefore, if parents have a child who has special needs, we ask that they inform the school a year in advance of their upcoming attendance, in order to ensure that appropriate accommodations are made.