

# FOLLOWERS OF JESUS SCHOOL

## 2023-2024 PARENT/GUARDIAN STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

(Guardians assume the same responsibility as parents)

We recognize that Followers of Jesus School (FJS) is a Christian ministry organization operated by Followers of Jesus Mennonite Church (FJMC) and is responsible to FJMC in its operation. We understand the policies and standards of the school and pledge our support of the school and its administration. We agree not to make demands, threaten to sue, make any kind of accusation or complaint, or actually litigate any matter whatsoever relating to or resulting from the enforcement of school standards of conduct. To do otherwise would be a clear violation of biblical teaching and practice. Further ...

1. I/We understand that our child(ren) will receive spiritual training and instruction consistent with the school and church's "Statement of Faith" and practices and that attendance in chapel and Bible class is required (see *Parent Handbook*, p. 2 for brief "Statement of Faith.")
2. I/We agree that FJS has full discretion for placing our child at the diagnosed level, regardless of the grade completed prior to transferring to this school or upon completing any year of school at FJS.
3. I/We agree that FJS needs our participation in lending practical help and prayer support in a mutual effort to train our children.
4. I/We understand that FJS reserves the right to suspend or dismiss any student who does not cooperate with the educational process.
5. I/We release FJS from any responsibility for accidents that may occur on the school grounds or at school-sponsored activities.
6. I/We authorize the FJS staff to relate with our child as described in the "Physical Contact and Restraint Policy" (see *Parent Handbook*, p. 22-24).
7. I/We permit FJS to use any pictures of our child taken while at school or participating in an approved school activity in any informational or promotional materials produced by the school, including, but not limited to, our prayer partner program, newsletters, brochures, displays, and audio-visual presentations **and zoom meetings that are recorded for educational purposes.**
8. Unless indicated otherwise, I/we authorize FJS to give our contact information (phone number/email) to other ministries of FJMC for the purpose of informing me/us about other activities of interest to my/our children (children's activities, summer camp, VBS).

I do **not** want my contact information given to other FJMC ministries. \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

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Chld(ren)'s name(s)

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Father/Guardian's Signature

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Date

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Mother/Guardian's Signature

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Date

Effective for the school term beginning September 6, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

(see back for **Pick-up Authorization Form**)

**Authorization for pick-up (Grades 1-6 only)**

The following persons are authorized to pick up my children after school. This applies for the 2023-2024 school term unless I indicate otherwise in writing.

*Authorized individuals:*

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*Other students at FJS who may be taken home by these authorized individuals:*

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*Parent signature(s):* \_\_\_\_\_

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I/We may exercise the option to authorize other individuals by phone in an emergency. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Initial here)

Is there anyone who is prohibited from picking up this child?  Yes  No

If yes, whom? \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

If the prohibition of contact is documented by a restraining order, order of protection, or other legal document, please provide a copy of the document.