

OUR FACULTY

Our faculty consists of highly qualified, educated, Christ-serving teachers. Our educators all have degrees, credentials, and several have Master's Degrees. These individuals are committed to professional development and using the latest research-supported strategies to help all children learn to their full potential.

CLASS SIZE

We offer small class sizes at every grade level in order to provide more individualized instruction to our students. Kindergarten and 1st Grade have 20-22 students per class, 2nd -5th Grade have 22-24 students per class, and 6th-8th Grade have a maximum of 26 students.

SCHOOL HOURS

Kindergarten - Grade 5

8:25-2:45 p.m.

Middle School - Grades 6-8

8:15-3:00 p.m.

K-8 Morning Daycare

7:00-8:00 a.m.

K-8 After-School Daycare

2:45-6:00 p.m.

SUMMER CAMP/SCHOOL

June - August



Enrollment Information

KINDERGARTEN - 8TH GRADE 2017 - 2018 SCHOOL YEAR

Thank you for your interest in Red Hill Lutheran School. Founded in 1961, Red Hill Lutheran School proudly celebrates its 56th year in operation for students in Preschool through Grade 8 (Preschool Enrollment packet is also available). Our enrollment is strong and continues to steadily increase as a result of God's many blessings. Solid academics integrated with Biblical truths and principles are taught from a Christian perspective by highly qualified, committed, professional educators. In addition, we offer a safe, positive learning environment for all students, a variety of extracurricular activities, and progressive instructional tools and methodologies. We believe in a multi-sensory approach to learning and therefore offer hands-on, engaging lessons in all subject areas. All lessons are presented to meet the needs of auditory, visual, and kinesthetic learners.

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blessed with unique gifts,
talents, and abilities...” ”*

Our school is an outreach ministry of Red Hill Lutheran Church, and our primary objective is to provide a Christ-centered, well-balanced education that promotes academic, spiritual, social, physical, and creative development.

We implement high academic standards with challenging curriculum that exceeds the California Common Core Standards. These standards are utilized by all teachers as a framework for academic achievement and are reviewed annually in order to maintain academic rigor. We provide comprehensive curriculum for Mathematics, Language Arts, Science, Social Studies and Bible as well as the "Meet the Masters" Fine Arts program. In 2015, we received a full 6 year renewal of our dual accreditation with National Lutheran School Accreditation and Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

We are selective in our admissions process in an effort to provide a safe and loving Christ-centered environment where all students have the opportunity to grow and succeed. With full capacity expected in many grade levels, we encourage you to review the enclosed information with prayerful consideration.

In His Service,
Dr. Paul Marquardt
Principal





ABOUT OUR PRINCIPAL

Dr. Paul Marquardt has worked in education for 25 years, having served as an elemen-

tary school teacher and principal; and most recently as a professor and assistant dean at Concordia University Irvine. Dr. Marquardt has a Master of Arts Degree in Educational Administration and a Doctorate in Organizational Leadership. He enjoys working with students, parents, and faculty to bring education and learning to life.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ELECTIVE CLASSES

In addition to the core classes, Middle School students have the opportunity to enroll in a variety of elective courses. The following is a sample listing of middle school elective classes that may be offered:

Art
Concert Band
Drama
Handbells
Home Economics
Music Appreciation
Photography
Praise Band
Programming
Psychology
Sociology
Spanish
STEAM
Student Leadership
Yearbook

PROGRAM INFORMATION

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

Curriculum is chosen from a list of California approved curriculum choices, all of which are based on California State Standards and California Common Core Standards. Lessons are taught using a multi-sensory approach, which appeals to auditory, visual and kinesthetic learners. This multi-sensory style of teaching provides students with an opportunity to develop important 21st Century skills such as critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and creativity, all while emphasizing exploration and application to real-life experiences. Curriculum and lessons encourage students to read, write, speak, and listen at a high level across all content area. All subjects are taught from a Christian perspective and integrated with Biblical truths and principles.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The physical education program is committed to fostering skill development, healthy lifestyles, and spiritual growth through group games and activities that emphasize cooperation, teamwork, and leadership skills. All physical education lessons are based on California State Standards.

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Technology is used to enhance learning across all subject areas, both in the classroom and in the computer lab. Grade level teachers collaborate with the computer teacher to provide computer instruction that is focused on current classroom learning. Kindergarten through 2nd grade students have the opportunity to use iPods to practice reading fluency and addition facts. Grades 3-5 have a class set of Chromebooks that are often used in

conjunction with Google Docs to facilitate the writing process through production of rough drafts, peer and teacher editing, as well as publishing the final document. iPads are used by all middle school students to access textbooks, take notes, and make presentations through the use of Apple TV. Our campus-wide wireless network and Internet access are safely controlled.

MUSIC

Music is important to the developing mind. Students in grades K-5 will develop an appreciation of music through song and musical instruments such as recorders, ukuleles, violins, clarinets, flutes, and trumpets. Middle School students may also choose to enroll in Handbells, Concert Band, or Praise Band as elective courses. Selection and participation as a Class Act school with the Orange County Pacific Symphony offers students experience and access to world class musicians and opportunities.

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

The California Department of Education includes Visual and Performing Arts as a vital part of a well-rounded educational program. Combined with Music, our Performing Arts Program provides students with an opportunity to study the arts discipline through artistic perception and appreciation, creative expression, and historical and cultural context. Fine Arts will be emphasized through the "Meet the Masters" Art Program.

SPANISH

Spanish is offered to all students in K-5 twice a week and to Middle School students as an elective. This class is taught through auditory, visual and hands-on activities and includes a study of Spanish culture as well as language.

ADMISSIONS POLICY

Students who meet the eligibility requirements may apply to the school when the parent submits a completed application packet and the non-refundable registration fee.

Enrollment Eligibility Requirements

1. Parents and the student must support our goals and purposes as a Christian school, including our Statement of Faith, Religious Belief Policy, and Covenant Commitment.
2. Interview with the principal for new students and their parents.
3. Student must pass the entrance evaluation for his/her grade level.
4. Continued enrollment eligibility is contingent upon a current family account balance as well as continued support and respect of school philosophies, beliefs, policies, procedures, administration, faculty, and staff.

Enrollment acceptance is determined upon review of the application, reference (for middle school only), interview, and entrance evaluation results. A space will not be reserved for new students until the enrollment process has been completed and applicants are formally accepted by the principal. Priority consideration is given to current Red Hill Lutheran

Church and School families, siblings, and alumni. Should the student not be accepted to the school, a full refund of the registration fee will be issued. However, should the student be accepted to the school, and the parent declines to continue with the enrollment process, the registration fee is non-refundable and non-transferable.

Waiting List

There is a targeted maximum of 20-26 students in each K-8 class according to grade level. A waiting list will be created for accepted applicants beyond the maximum, and a second class per grade level will only be opened when there are a minimum of 17 students committed for the school year. Red Hill Lutheran Church members and school families with currently enrolled children at Red Hill Lutheran School automatically move to the top of the waiting list.

Non-Discrimination Policy

Red Hill Lutheran School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities made available at the school. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in administration of educational policies, athletic programs, and any other school administered programs.

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Our unique after-school program provides opportunities for individualized daily enrichment activities. Each session offers a variety of enrichment classes. The following is a sample listing of classes that may be offered in a given session:

Art Instruction
Choir
Computer Club
Dance Team
Drama
Gymnastics
League Sports (Grades 5-8)
Lego Builders
OC Marathon Running Club
Phonics Fun
Scrapbooking
Skateboarding
Soccer Shots
Spirit Squads
Tutorial Classes

OFF-CAMPUS ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES (Grades K-8)

Educational field trips and programs are offered throughout the year as they relate to curriculum and contemporary issues. Middle School students participate in the following off-campus educational programs each year:

Grade 6:

Outdoor Education Equestrian Camp at Rawhide Ranch

Grade 7:

Marine-Biology Science Camp at Catalina

Grade 8:

Washington, D.C. and East Coast

LEAGUE SPORTS (Grades 5-8)

BOYS' SPORTS:

Flag Football, Basketball, Co-Ed Track

GIRLS' SPORTS:

Basketball, Volleyball, Co-Ed Track



RELIGIOUS BELIEF POLICY

Red Hill Lutheran School (RHLS) is an outreach ministry of Red Hill Lutheran Church. RHLS welcomes students and families from a variety of Christian denominations and religious backgrounds. As a Lutheran Church, RHLS believes, teaches, and confesses the unchanging truth of Holy Scripture, subscribes to the Lutheran Confessions as true expositions of the Word of God, and professes the Christian faith as described in our Statement of Faith. Red Hill Lutheran Church and School is a member of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC), an association of Biblically and confessionally orthodox Lutheran Churches.

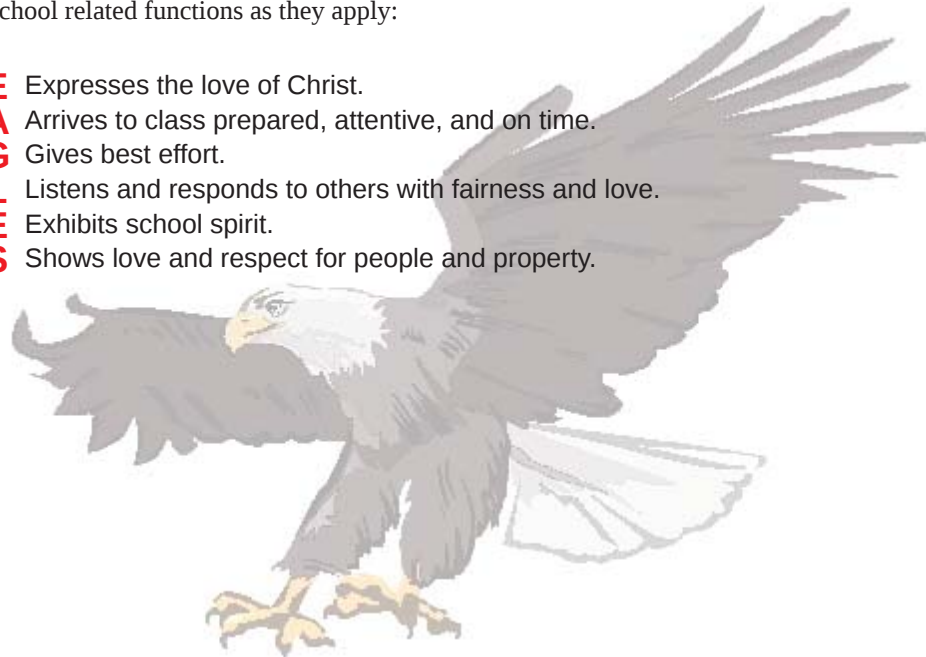
Students, parents, or family members who do not share these beliefs and practices agree to communicate their concerns in a manner that does not lead to division or disruption to the school day, the classroom setting, and the normal operation of the school or the school community.

Students, parents, or family members who disagree, in whole or in part, with the fundamental beliefs of RHLS, also agree not to behave and/or promote behavior or doctrinal positions contrary to these beliefs and practices on campus, at school sponsored events, or in any media form identified with RHLS.

EAGLE EXPECTATIONS

To create a safe, loving environment where all students can be productive, the following expectations are promoted and enforced by faculty and staff in all classrooms and school related functions as they apply:

- E** Expresses the love of Christ.
- A** Arrives to class prepared, attentive, and on time.
- G** Gives best effort.
- L** Listens and responds to others with fairness and love.
- E** Exhibits school spirit.
- S** Shows love and respect for people and property.



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MISSION STATEMENT

Reach and serve our local community, equip their hearts, minds and souls, and release them into the world to share God's love.

PURPOSE STATEMENT

To develop, nurture, and equip students to positively impact their world for Jesus Christ through a Bible-based, well-balanced education.

VISION STATEMENT

Red Hill Lutheran School facilitates the recognition of each student's God-given gifts, so that, students acquire wisdom, knowledge, and a distinctly biblical worldview.

PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

All students are blessed with unique gifts, talents, and abilities. Red Hill Lutheran School seeks to influence students toward a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Recognizing that all students learn differently and possess unique God-given greatness, the faculty and staff at Red Hill Lutheran