

# MHA MISSION STATEMENT

Mars Hill Academy exists to assist parents in the duty of covenantal training of their children by:

- offering academic instruction from a consistent, integrated Christian perspective;
- equipping students to learn for themselves using the proven classical method;
- providing students with an orderly and engaging atmosphere conducive to the attainment of the above goals.

## MHA VISION STATEMENT STUDENTS

We aim to graduate young men and women who:

- think clearly and listen carefully with discernment and understanding;
- reason persuasively and speak precisely;
- evaluate all human knowledge and experience in the light of the Scriptures;
  - do so with eagerness in joyful submission to God.

We desire them to recognize cultural influences as distinct from biblical, and to be unswayed toward evil by the former.

We aim to find them well prepared in all situations, possessing both knowledge and the wisdom to know how to use it.

We desire that they:

- be socially graceful and spiritually gracious;
- be equipped with and understand the tools of learning;
- grow in understanding, while fully realizing the limitations and foolishness of the wisdom of this world.

We desire that they:

- have a heart for the lost and the courage to seek to dissuade those who are stumbling towards destruction;
- distinguish real religion from religion in form only;
- possess the former, knowing and loving the Lord Jesus Christ.

And all these we desire them to possess with humility and gratitude to God.

#### MHA VISION STATEMENT STAFF

We likewise aim to cultivate these same qualities in our staff, and to see them paid well so that they may make a career at Mars Hill Academy.

We desire them to be:

- professional and diligent in their work;
- gifted in teaching, loving their students and their subjects.

We desire that they:

- clearly understand classical education, how it works in their classroom, and how their work fits into the whole;
- possess a lifelong hunger to learn and grow;
- have the opportunity to be refreshed and renewed.

We desire to see them coach and nurture new staff, and serve as academic mentors to students.

We look to see them mature in Christ, growing in the knowledge of God, and their own children walking with the Lord.

#### PARENTS

We aim to cultivate in our parents a sense of responsibility for the school, and to see them well-informed about the goals of our classical and Christ-centered approach.

We desire them to grow with the school, involved in and excited about the journey.

We aim to help them:

- follow biblical principles in addressing concerns;
- hear both sides of a story before rendering a verdict;
- encourage one another on to love and good works.

### COMMUNITY

In our relationship with our community, we aim to be:

- above reproach in our business dealings;
- supportive of the local business community.

We further seek to:

- exemplify the unity of the body of Christ;
- develop greater fellowship and understanding with churches;
- bring honor to our Lord in all our endeavors.

Initium sapientiae timor domini ("The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom")