



## **FAMILY/STUDENT INFORMATION & ELIGIBILITY**

Student's Name (First, M.I., Last): \_\_\_\_\_

School year: \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit a separate form for **each** student.

### **STUDENT INFORMATION**

Student's preferred name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Years homeschooled: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Student phone (optional): \_\_\_\_\_ Student email (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

### **PARENT INFORMATION-** (please list phone and email that will be checked often)

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Address (if different than student): \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Address (if different than student): \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

It is important for Credo Academy to maintain effective means of communication with our families and students. To receive forum emails and weekly emails from Credo Academy participants and leadership, I understand that I need to set my email preferences (in your website profile) to accept these emails. I understand that I am responsible to be acquainted with all the information sent through the forum, weekly email, and what is posted on the website, and I will not hold Credo Academy liable for any information I missed. I also understand that I am responsible for sharing pertinent information that is sent through the forum, weekly email, or what is posted on the website with my student for their safety and information.

We have read the communications information and are in agreement:

Father's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Initials \_\_\_\_\_

### **ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION**

In order to be eligible to apply to participate in Credo programs, you must:

1. Be able to profess a basic adherence to the Christian faith as expressed in our Statement of Faith.
2. Be able to profess a basic adherence to our Statement of Marriage, Gender, and Sexuality.
3. Commit to volunteering each week at Credo Academy, up to 60 hours per semester.
4. Agree not to participate in academic programs funded by the public-school system while you are enrolled at Credo Academy. (This excludes dual enrollment for college classes).
5. Agree to abide by the Code of Conduct.
6. Agree to abide by the Credo Dress Code.
7. Agree to abide by the Conflict Resolution Policy.
8. Sign the Credo Photographic Release.
9. Agree to the Credo Academy Registration & Payment Agreement (found on separate document).
10. Agree to terms and conditions (found on separate document or on the website).

Each of the above items are outlined in detail below. Please read carefully and fully as you will need to sign off on each item.

## **STATEMENT OF FAITH**

Credo Academy has adopted the Apostles' Creed as its statement of faith because, as the most ancient creed of Christianity, it can serve to unify us under the Trinity without allowing denominational differences to distract us from the work we can and should share.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered and was crucified, died on the cross, and was buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven; and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

We have read the Credo Statement of Faith and are in agreement.

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## **STATEMENT ON MARRIAGE, GENDER, AND SEXUALITY**

We believe that God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as male or female, and that these two distinct, complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God. We believe that God created marriage to be exclusively the union of one man and one woman, and that intimate sexual activity is to occur exclusively within that union.

We have read the Biblical Marriage definition and are in agreement.

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## **PARENT INVOLVEMENT AGREEMENT (VOLUNTEERING)**

Because we are a volunteer-led group, Credo's success requires on-site parental involvement. We are NOT a drop-off program. We are all working together to build a supportive community that will launch well-equipped, visionary young people into their chosen arenas. Please review the Volunteer Job Descriptions from the Credo Academy Homeschool Life website. A sign-up invitation will come from the Volunteer Coordinator online a few weeks before the start date for the Fall Semester.

We have read the Parental Involvement Agreement and understand that our contribution to Credo's work is essential. We will volunteer 60 hours on site each semester. (Up to 2 hrs per week)

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## **PUBLIC-SCHOOL AGREEMENT**

Credo Academy serves private homeschoolers and does not open its programs to families who have chosen to participate in public school programs. We pass no judgment on the sincerity or Christian commitment of those families, but Credo is committed to ensuring that there is always a private, Christian educational alternative of excellence. \*Note: Only college or vocational classes which your family pays for are not included in this prohibition. Please verify your situation with Credo leadership if you have questions.

We have read the Credo Public School Agreement. We certify that \_\_\_\_\_ is not involved in any school program funded through the public-school system for any semester which I am registering with Credo Academy.

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## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

It is by his deeds that a one distinguishes himself, if his conduct is pure and right. Proverbs 20:11

The Credo Academy Code of Conduct promotes a Christ-like attitude in its learning environment and encourages the development of positive Christian relationships among its students. Therefore, it sets specific guidelines for student behavior. Although parents are primarily responsible for dealing with discipline, if needed, Credo may employ mild forms of reproof, rebuke, and correction. Credo Academy reserves the right to suspend or expel students with serious discipline problems at any time during the year.

1. Students must show respect to adults at all times. If redirected, students should be quick to change course and follow the direction
2. Students should treat each other with respect, kindness, and compassion, as God commands in Matthew 7:12, "So in everything do to others what you would have them do to you."
3. Students must also wear name tags while onsite. Students must be prepared for class by being punctual, completing assignments, and bringing necessary supplies. Parents must make certain that students arrive on time for their class(es) and may not allow their students to remain all day on campus if they are not taking classes. Dishonesty, cheating, copying another's work, or deliberate deception, is not permitted.
4. The facility and grounds must be kept clean and orderly, in order to show an attitude of gratefulness and respect. No horseplay, running, or rough play is allowed during or between classes. Students must remain in the basement of ARBC at all times and on the north side of the building during Credo hours.

5. Public displays of affection such as hand holding, kissing, activities that excludes others, etc. are not permitted. Students may not be in a classroom that does not have adult supervision.
6. Electronic devices, such as mobile phones or laptops, may only be used for academic purposes. Students may only text or make phone calls at the front desk. Playing games, browsing the Internet, texting or use of social media is not permitted while onsite. Electronics may be taken away from the student and placed at the front desk until the end of the day if used inappropriately. Please label all personal items.
7. No tobacco products, vaping, illicit drugs, alcohol, weapons, knives, or inappropriate printed material are allowed on site or at a Credo Academy function. Profanity is not allowed.
8. Student's appearance should reinforce and reflect a healthy educational environment and be appropriate for learning. Student attire should hold to high standards of modesty and neatness. Credo Academy reserves the right to send home any student who is deemed to be inappropriately dressed.

We have read the code of conduct and are in agreement.

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### **DRESS CODE**

- Overall, chosen attire should be neat in appearance and should not draw undue attention to self or be distracting to others.
- Any rips or holes in jeans that are not patched, must be at or below the knees.
- No spaghetti-strap or strapless tops. No bare midriffs including crop tops or "belly" shirts.
- No clothing that depicts inappropriate words or obscene or scary graphics.
- Shorts and skirts should be at fingertips or longer when hands are straight at the sides.
- Tights or leggings should be worn under skirts or long tops.
- All undergarments should be hidden. Choose modest necklines.
- We want to see your face. Hats are okay unless it covers your face. If an adult asks you to remove your hat or wear your hat backwards, please respect their wishes.

We have read the dress code and are in agreement.

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### **CONFLICT RESOLUTION POLICY**

As with any organization, conflicts will arise between members. For Credo, there are many possible conflicts between families, teachers, and volunteer leadership. Resolving such conflicts is part of life and essential to maturity, proving an opportunity to glorify God with our thoughts, words, and actions (1 Cor. 10:31).

In the case of peer-to-peer conflicts, student to student, family to teacher, or teacher to teacher, Credo desires that the model of Matthew 18 would provide the process for both parties to solve their differences. First by themselves in a spirit of humility and cooperation. When two members cannot resolve a conflict privately, they will seek the mediation of a Credo volunteer member, or another impartial party within the Credo community and listen humbly to their counsel (Matt. 18:16; Phil. 4:2-3). When informal mediation does not resolve a dispute, they will seek formal assistance from leadership or people they appoint then they will submit to the counsel and correction (Matt. 18:17-20).

If any members have a conflict with or within the Credo Community and cannot resolve it internally through the steps given above, they will submit the matter to mediation and, if necessary, following the Rules of Procedure for Christian Conciliation from Peacemaker Ministry (<http://www.crossroadsresolution.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Rules-of-Procedure-for-Christian-Conciliation.pdf>). Any costs that may be incurred as a result of this process will be equitably distributed among the parties at the direction of Peacemakers. Credo Academy will not be responsible for any of these costs unless Credo Academy had been the principal initiator of the complaint. All parties, by signing the student application, renounce recourse to litigation.

In conflicts that are beyond the scope of the personal nature characterized in Matthew 18 (i.e., code of conduct negligence, property damage, subordinate to authority relationship, possession or use of an illegal substance or weapon, etc.), Credo still desires to honor God through humility and Godly wisdom. In these instances, Credo leadership will try to follow many of the principles of Matthew 18 but understands other complexities need to be considered including the relationship between the parties, the severity of the instance, the age of those involved, as well as the different parties (Church staff, authorities, Credo leadership, etc.) that need to be involved in the process. Ultimately, we believe conflict to be an opportunity for change and hope that students, families, teachers, and leadership can show humility and grace to one another during those challenging times.

We have read the conflict resolution policy and are in agreement.

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### **PHOTOGRAPHIC RELEASE**

I am the parent or legal guardian of Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_. I hereby give my consent for my child to have their photograph posted in the private section of the Credo Academy website photo album or yearbook.

I agree / I do not agree (circle one) Father's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Initials \_\_\_\_\_

### **REGISTRATION & PAYMENT AGREEMENT**

This agreement is found in a separate document, which will be signed separately. You can find the registration and payment agreement document in the same place you found this document on the Credo Academy website.

We have read the registration and payment agreement and are in agreement:

Father's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Initials \_\_\_\_\_

### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Terms and conditions are available to read on our website, in the same place you found this document.

We have read the terms and conditions and are in agreement:

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**I attest that I have read and I understand the policies addressed above and are in agreement with each policy. I understand my eligibility to participate in Credo Academy, and any program associated with Credo Academy, is dependent on my adherence to these policies.**

**Father Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mother Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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