

Policy on Sexuality and Gender

Trinity seeks to adhere to and promote what Scripture teaches regarding the nature of human beings and their sexuality, as reflected in traditional Christian doctrine regarding sexuality and marriage. While, as a mission school, we do not require parents or students to agree with what is written here, parents and students must acknowledge and not oppose Trinity Academy treating the following as normative in our curriculum and other practices:

Marriage and Sexuality: God has ordained marriage as an exclusive union between only one man and one woman. No person or government has the authority to alter this divinely established order, and it befits the dignity of human beings to embrace and uphold the gift of marriage so understood (Genesis 1:27-28, Genesis 2:18-24, Matthew 19:4-9, Mark 10:5-9, Ephesians 5:31-33). Sexual intimacy should occur only within the context of marriage (Genesis 2:24, Romans 1:26-27, 1 Corinthians 6:9-11).

Gender: Humankind is created male and female (Genesis 1:27-28), a fact given in human nature and declared good by God (Genesis 1:31). Together men and women, equal in personal dignity, share in the possibility of forming new marriages and families. While the sociocultural differentiation (gender) of males and females has been distinguished from biological differentiation (sex) in our broader culture, these should not be separated (1 Corinthians 6:19-20). As such, though expressions of gender rightly display the diversity of human personalities and human cultures, such expressions should not obscure or contradict one's nature as male or female. Trinity Academy, therefore, will not accommodate social or medicalized attempts to change one's gender, nor the use of elective pronouns for faculty, staff, or students.

<u>Dignity</u>: Every human being is created in the image of God. As such, Trinity Academy is committed to honoring all our students. As it upholds this policy on sexuality and gender, Trinity Academy invites respectful dialogue and debate while rejecting any form of harassment, bullying, or verbal abuse by any member of the Trinity Academy community towards any other member for any reason.