

DCA'S PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

The school operates on the belief that parents have been given the tremendous responsibility of educating their children. The objective is not to replace parents in this endeavor but rather to partner with and support them in this responsibility. That task is a challenging one and requires constant cooperation between home and school.

Teaching students to understand the world from a Biblical perspective is at the heart of Donelson Christian Academy's philosophy of education. The ultimate goal is for each student to first know and understand a Biblical worldview and then to believe and apply this worldview in their own lives.

DCA believes the teaching of children is a high calling. Because of the high value God places upon children, He instructs us to entrust their training to those who faithfully uphold truth and knowledge. Accordingly, the faculty at DCA is composed of men and women who are passionate about their Christian faith, about children, and about learning.

To accomplish these goals:

DCA desires to ground students in Truth.

"Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." - John 8:12

"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work." - 2 Timothy 3:16-17

DCA places God at the center of learning.

"The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein,"
- Psalm 24:1

"that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, which is Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." - Colossians 2:2-3

DCA strives to develop "renewed minds" through the integration of faith and learning.

"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." - Romans 12:2

DCA values each student as a unique individual created by a loving God.

"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them." - Genesis 1:27

DCA challenges students so serve one another and the broader community.

"even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Matthew 20:28