



Position Statements

Vision

Global-minded servant-leaders with a biblical understanding and application of knowledge, impacting the world for Christ.

"People of Hope - Godly Leaders Worldwide"

Mission

To support world missions by providing quality, Christ-centered educational services for families of international Christian workers in Cambodia and surrounding countries.

"HOPE School – Training Servants for Christ"

Ethos

HOPE International School exists to support the mission of taking the gospel to the nations.

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

(Matt. 28: 18-20)

HOPE International School recognises the unique position of the children of Christian workers who, in obedience to Christ, serve away from their home country.

The school was established to meet the needs of these "Third Culture" children in Phnom Penh, Cambodia and the wider Asian setting.

HOPE Seeks to:

- provide a positive, friendly and understanding Christian environment
- encourage the growth of individual student gifts and talents
- cater for students with specific learning needs
- establish good parent-teacher relationships
- develop Godly Leaders Worldwide

To achieve this HOPE will:

- offer a high quality education with international certification
- nurture children in their intellectual, social, emotional, spiritual and physical growth
- address portability between home country and international schooling systems
- provide the flexibility of part time and full time enrolments
- maintain student places during mission home assignments
- prepare children to re-enter their home countries confidently
- provide daily pastoral care opportunities
- identify and support students with specific learning needs, including ESL and gifted students
- provide social, service, sporting and spiritual opportunities
- provide opportunities for parental involvement in the school community

Our Statement of Faith

1. We believe in the inspiration of the Bible, that it is without error in the original documents and the final authority in faith, life, and doctrine. (*2 Tim. 3:15; 2 Pet. 1:21*)
2. We believe in one living and true God, eternally existent in Three Persons; Father, Son and the Holy Spirit. (*Gen. 1:1; Matt. 28:19; John 10:30*)
3. We believe God is the creator of all things, giver of all life, all knowing, all-powerful, and all loving. (*Gen. 1:1; Jer. 31:3; Acts 14:15; Heb. 11:3; Isa. 40:28*)
4. We believe in the humanity and deity of our Lord Jesus Christ. (*John 1:14, John 10:33*) His virgin birth (*Isa. 7:14; Matt. 1:23; Luke 1:35*), His sinless life (*Hebr. 4:14; Hebr. 7:26*), His miracles (*John 2:11*), His finished work of salvation, including His atoning death on the cross, substituting for us (*1Cor. 15:3; Eph. 1:7; Heb. 2:9*), His bodily resurrection from death (*John 11:25; 1Cor. 15:4*), His ascension to the right hand of the Father (*Mark 16:9*) and His personal return in power and glory (*Acts 1:11; Rev. 19:11*)
5. We believe in the universal sinfulness and guilt of humanity since the Fall through Adam, and that the relationship that God intended all people have with Him has been broken. (*Ps. 53:3; Isa. 53:6; Rom. 3:23*).
6. We believe that forgiveness and salvation of sinful humans is only by the grace of God through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ alone, accomplished through the regeneration of the Holy Spirit. (*John 3:16-19; John 5:24; Rom. 5:8-9; Eph. 2: 8-10; Tit. 3:5*).
7. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit who indwells and empowers all Christians enabling them to become more like Jesus Christ. (*Rom. 8:13-14; 1Cor.3:16; 1Cor. 6:19-20; Eph. 4:30; Eph. 5:18*).
8. We believe in the resurrection and judgment of all people; they who have been saved to eternal fellowship with God, and they who are lost to bear the consequences of sin by eternal separation from God. (*John 5:28-29*)
9. We believe that having a saving faith in Jesus Christ unites all Christians as members of the body of Christ, His church, and that we have the responsibility to maintain the unity of the spirit in love. (*Rom. 8:9; 1Cor. 12:12-13; Gal. 3:26-28*)
10. We believe that as Christians, we are to be committed to proclaim the gospel throughout the world, demonstrating God's love to all people. (*Matt. 26:18-20*)

Outcomes of the HOPE Vision

It is our desire at HOPE that each student will thrive academically, spiritually, emotionally, physically and relationally. The school vision is expanded below in terms of the outcomes we want to see in our students.

HOPE Students will be Global-Minded by understanding, and reflecting on: International-mindedness

Developing an international worldview through an awareness of life outside their passport culture. Students will increase their awareness and appreciation of language and culture through participation in a multicultural, multi-ethnic and multi-lingual school setting.

Intercultural Understanding and Respect

Students will respect and appreciate that all people have intrinsic value and dignity by virtue of each person having been created in the image of God. From this foundation, students will learn to relate to, and grow, in their understanding of the diverse, yet connected world we live in.

HOPE Students will be Servant Leaders by Active involvement

Being actively involved in school, volunteer work (including CAS), church and in the local community.

Caring and Compassionate

Eagerly initiate responsible interaction to serve others' needs and be caring members of the local community and environment. As a Christian community, students respond in compassion and love through word and deed.

HOPE Students will have Biblical Understanding by Inquiry and Reflection

Sustained inquiry of one's own faith and critically thinking and reflecting on what one believes, while at the same time learning about what others believe. Through this process, students will have the opportunity to respond authentically to the Biblical worldview presented to them.

HOPE Students will be able to Apply their Knowledge by Challenging

Becoming critical thinkers who are sufficiently and appropriately challenged academically, being taught to question, assimilate, interpret, evaluate and reflect on knowledge gained in order to make connections between their education and the world they live in.

Lifelong Learning

Realizing that we live in a rapidly changing world, students will learn to value ongoing (or continuing) education, whether formal or informal, and will develop the habits necessary to maintain such a commitment.

Knowledgeable

Recognizing that God created them to be knowledgeable, as a result, students will study a broad and balanced range of conceptual ideas and content that spans multiple subjects, reaching beyond national and cultural boundaries.

HOPE Students have the potential to impact their world for Christ by

Faithfully and critically applying the knowledge, skills, and understanding they have developed through their education, enabling them to engage their spheres of influence in ways that reflect a Christian worldview and a relationship with Christ.