



Clarifying Statement

Gender, Marriage & Sexuality

Preamble

The statement below should be understood as a clarifying expression of Saskatoon Society for Christian Education's (the "Society") belief with respect to gender, marriage, and sexuality. Although this statement may be used to inform future policies and procedures, it is not intended to be legally binding or enforceable on its own. While the Society holds these beliefs deeply, it recognizes that they may not be universally shared or accepted, and the Society affirms the right of individuals to hold their own beliefs and values. This statement is intended solely as a means of expressing with others the Society's collective belief on gender, marriage, and sexuality.

Furthermore, this statement and any consequential policies or procedures are intended to comply with the Saskatchewan Human Rights Code and Ministry of Education regulations.

Statement

Christianity is central to the vision, mission, and values of Saskatoon Society for Christian Education Inc. (SSCE).

Despite a rapidly changing socio-political environment, SSCE intends our behaviour and activities to be conducted in accordance with the Bible, our Statement of Faith, and our stated Vision, Mission, and Values.

SSCE upholds traditional Christian beliefs concerning gender, marriage, and sexuality. As such, we believe:

- that God creates each person as male or female (Genesis 1:27);
- that marriage is an exclusive relationship between one man and one woman (Genesis 2:24); and,
- that all intimate sexual activity should take place within the marriage relationship (1 Corinthians 7:2).

SSCE further upholds Jesus' commandment to love one another (Matthew 22:39) by recognizing the inherent dignity of all persons. For by doing so, SSCE will ensure Saskatoon Christian School (SCS) is a safe and caring environment for students.