

## Veritas Academy Teacher Training

2019-20 to 2023-24

Below are topics covered with teachers specifically pertaining to training in Classical, Christian and Covenantal education. Training related to parent communication, classroom management, policies, school logistics, school safety, etc. are addressed every year in teacher orientation and in regular teacher meetings.

### 2019-2020

#### Teacher Orientation, August 2019

Seven Temptations to Avoid in Classical, Christian, and Covenantal Education

Review of J. M Gregory's *Seven Laws of Teaching*

Review of Covenant Discipline in the Classroom

#### Teacher Meetings, 2019-20

Scripture Devotions: Looking to Christ in our inadequacy and incompetence

Further Review of J. M Gregory's *Seven Laws of Teaching*

Reading and Discussion of C.S. Lewis, *Learning in War-Time* and *Democratic Education*

Reading and discussion of *Classis* articles related to student assessment

March, April, May 2020 training and development disrupted by Covid pandemic.

### 2020-2021

#### Teacher Orientation, August 2020

Ten Pedagogical Essentials of Classical Christian Education

Review of J. M Gregory's *Seven Laws of Teaching*

Review of Principles of Godly School Culture

Review of Covenant Discipline in the Classroom

#### Teacher Meetings 2020-21

Reading and Discussion of *Everyday Glory*, G. R. McDermott (How God is perceived in things He has made -revelation, enchantment, types, etc. –in history, science, literature, marriage, government, etc.)

Reading and Discussion of ACCS *Instructional Methods: Self-Evaluation Tool*

Ten Differences: Conventional Christian Education vs. Classical Christian Education – readings and discussion of materials from the ACCS website.

### 2021-2022

#### Teacher Orientation, August 2021

What Does it Mean to be an ACCS Classical Christian School? Review and Discussion of Objectives, Methods, Content and Curriculum, and School Culture at Veritas Academy

Short Summary of J. M Gregory's *Seven Laws of Teaching*

## Review of Covenant Discipline in the Classroom

### Teacher Meetings 2021-22

Detailed review and discussion of J. M Gregory's *Seven Laws of Teaching*

Review and Discussion of *The Lost Tools of Learning*, Sayers

Instruction and discussion about developing a Culture of Grace in our school (materials adapted from *Your Christian School: A Culture of Grace*, Paul Tripp)

### **2022-2023**

#### Teacher Orientation, August 2022

Ten Pedagogical Essentials of Classical Christian Education

Seven Qualities of Great Teachers

Short Summary of J. M Gregory's *Seven Laws of Teaching*

#### Teacher Meetings 2022-23

Reading and Discussion of *The Battle for the American Mind*, Hegseth and Goodwin

Principles of Communicating the Gospel to Children

*Effective Grammar School Teaching and Leadership* (ClassicalU course) -Lessons 1-5

### **2023-2024**

#### Teacher Orientation, August 2023

Essential Elements of Classical, Christian, and Covenantal Education

Classroom Discipline and School Culture

Review of J. M Gregory's *Seven Laws of Teaching*

#### Teacher Meetings 2023-24

Cultivating The Fruit of the Spirit in our Classrooms

Reading and Discussion of ACCS *Instructional Methods: Self-Evaluation Tool*

*Effective Grammar School Teaching and Leadership* (ClassicalU course) -Lessons 6-12

Student Assessment in Classical Christian schools (2<sup>nd</sup> semester)