

Grace Prep's 40 Points of Grace



- 1** We believe that kids need a creative, cool, and challenging environment to spread their wings and to learn the disciplines of life.
- 2.** We believe that helping your child discover his or her passion will fuel spectacular achievement.
- 3.** We believe that developing an intelligent faith and intimate friendship with Jesus will create lifelong fulfillment.
- 4.** We believe that families are too busy and that schools waste lots of time on busy work and homework and justify it in the name of academic rigor.
- 5.** We believe in academic rigor.
- 6.** We believe that schools should be efficient enough to teach your kids in the 30-40 hours per week of class time.
- 7.** We believe that late afternoons in childhood are meant for riding bikes, playing ball, and hanging out with close friends.
- 8.** We believe that evenings are for families and reading and rest.
- 9.** We believe that history is more exciting and easier to remember when you're in Boston, Gettysburg or Valley Forge.
- 10.** We believe Spanish is easier to learn in Mexico than in a school classroom.
- 11.** We believe that most students go to college with no idea of who they are and what they want to be.
- 12.** We believe it is the school's privilege to help them discover their spiritual gifts and to show them who God meant them to be.
- 13** We believe that "why do we have to learn this stuff?" is a very good question.
 - 14.** We believe that a school cannot teach the whole truth to students if it doesn't acknowledge Jesus Christ as the foundation for all Truth.
 - 15.** We believe that parents are responsible for their children and have the right to control their educational experience and goals.
 - 16.** We believe that teachers are flooded with paperwork and bureaucracy instead of resources and support.
 - 17.** We believe parents would have a hard time sitting on those hard school chairs.
 - 18.** We believe students are capable of entrepreneurship and student-led businesses and not just selling hoagies.
- 19.** We believe students should learn to avoid debt, pay cash and read the fine print.
- 20.** We think they should understand God's view of sex so they can anticipate the blessing.
- 21.** We think parents have the right to know what is going to be taught before it's taught.
- 22** We believe not all kids are meant for college and that schools should value them as much as God does.
- 23.** We believe that legalism is the easy way out and is employed by weak leaders.
- 24.** We believe that no sin is too large to forgive and that no sin is too small to ignore.
- 25.** We believe in extravagant grace and have known its beauty. We believe that it's messy and wonderfully unjust. It gives us what we don't deserve.
- 26.** We abhor internal politics, superficiality, unnecessary secrets, and constant spin.
- 27.** We believe in truth that confronts and we're ok with being yelled at behind closed doors.
- 28.** We believe that transparency sets us free and helps us love others more, not less.
- 29.** We believe that on nice days it might be better to have class outside.
- 30.** We believe in leadership that is subjective and considers the uniqueness of kids.
- 31.** We believe in fighting every battle that needs to be fought and leaving no one behind, no matter how broken.
- 32.** We believe there is at least one kid in every class that needs special attention and love in spite of his behavior.
- 33.** We believe that same kid will be transformed by the teacher who finds his passion.
- 34.** We believe teachers work hard during the year, but have a great deal in the summer.
- 35.** We believe modesty is a matter of the girl's heart and the guy's mind and we're committed to protecting both.
- 36.** We believe great schools can afford great sports programs.
- 37.** We believe money follows excellence, excellence follows vision, and visionaries must follow God.
- 38** We believe that families that can't afford Christian education sometimes need it most.
- 39.** We believe one of the greatest joys in life is finding out that it's a snow day.
- 40.** We believe in God-sized tasks and believe Grace Prep is one of them.

We love you.
We love your kids.
Bob