



Rosslyn Academy Statement of Support 2016-2017

Dear Parents,

Because Rosslyn Academy seeks to educate the whole child, it is important to us that all students and their families agree that Rosslyn Academy is a "good fit" and are able to state their strong support for the aims and values of the school. Please carefully consider the mission and values of Rosslyn Academy as outlined below. If you are able to strongly support our educational philosophy, please indicate this by placing your signature at the bottom of this document.

Rosslyn's Mission Statement: "Rosslyn Academy inspires and equips each student to develop their God-given gifts for Christ-like service in the world community.

Rosslyn's Core Values:

- **Christ-likeness at Rosslyn means** – *Imitating Jesus Christ in all that we do and say as individuals and as a school.* The life and teachings of Jesus Christ instruct us how to have a relationship with God as well as provide us with the model of right behavior, values, and healthy human relationships. For this reason students are challenged to develop and deepen a personal faith and Christ-like character. (Philippians 2:1-5 NIV)
- **Community at Rosslyn means** – *Cultivating a welcoming and supportive family of diverse members united behind the school's mission.* We believe that, next to the home, the school is the most important training ground for the social skills and values necessary to become a healthy and positive contributor to the world community. As a Christian school we are intentional about instilling in our students Christ-like social values such as kindness, integrity, mutual respect, and compassion. (Ecclesiastes 4:9, 1 Peter 4:10, Psalm 133:1)
- **Service at Rosslyn means** – *Modeling Christ's example of selfless support of others.* We believe that Christ's example of serving with love and humility is a powerful model for Christians today. Teachers and students are encouraged to seek out opportunities to serve others within our school community as well as in Nairobi and the world beyond. (Romans 12: 9 & 13, Matthew 20:28, 1 John 3:16-18)
- **Intellectual Virtue at Rosslyn means** – *Developing God-honoring thinking habits that result in an earnest pursuit of truth.* We believe that God is the author of all that is true, good and beautiful. As a result, we seek to integrate faith and learning by helping our students develop a deep and wide base of knowledge about God's world, and the critical thinking and problem-solving skills needed to interpret and utilize that knowledge ethically. But we also want to see a transformation in the very character of our student's minds. In other words, we want our students to become God-honoring in the *way* they think as demonstrated by consistently honest, careful, tenacious, courageous and humble thinking habits. (Philippians 4:8, Matthew 22:37)
- **Excellence at Rosslyn means** – *the extent to which individuals and institutions have maximized their God-given gifts and talents to His honor.* We believe that when the Bible says, "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord" there is an implied mandate for excellence in whatever God has called us to do. (Philippians 4:8, Colossians 3:23-24)

The signatures below indicate that you agree to support the school mission, core values, policy and aims of Rosslyn Academy. You agree to follow the appropriate school handbook regarding your child's education, extracurricular activities, and disciplinary actions. You agree to use constructive and non-legal channels for dialogue to resolve any concerns which might arise, in accordance with biblical principles.

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Printed Name(s) _____

NO.	Student's Name (Printed)	Grade	Students Signature (If in high school)	NO.	Student's Name (Printed)	Grade	Students Signature (If in high school)
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