

2010-2011 School Year

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This Registration Packet includes the following:

- ◆ Brochure
- ◆ Statement of Faith / Statement of Core Family Values
- ◆ Distinctives
- ◆ 2010-2011 Tuition Schedule/Tuition Payment Policies
- ◆ Uniform Information
- ◆ Application for Admission Package
- ◆ Immunization Information Form (to be returned to the school or mailed to the nearest Health Unit office)
- ◆ Ontario Student Record (OSR) Request form (only applicable to students who were previously enrolled in another school); this form should be signed and returned to our school with the Student Admission Form.

The following item applies **only** to students entering Junior Kindergarten/Senior Kindergarten:

- ◆ Note that we require proof of your child's birth date. Please **include a copy of your child's birth certificate** with the completed Student Admission/Information Form.

If you have any questions regarding this material, please contact the school:

Phone: 519-824-1890

Fax: 519-821-3518

Email: school@ercf.ca

Sincerely,



Mr. John Dekorte,
Principal

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Enclosures

Elora Road Christian School subscribes to the following Statement of Faith and Statement of Core Family Values.

Statement of Faith

1. *We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative, inerrant Word of God (II Timothy 3:15, II Peter 1:21).*
2. *We believe that God the Father, eternally existent, has revealed Himself in His Son, Jesus Christ, by the Holy Spirit (Genesis 1:1, Matthew 28:19, John 10:30).*
3. *We believe in the deity of Christ (John 10:33); His virgin birth (Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:23, Luke 1:35); His sinless life (Hebrews 4:15, Hebrews 7:26); His miracles (John 2:11); His vicarious and atoning death (I Corinthians 15:3, Ephesians 1:7, Hebrews 2:9); His resurrection (John 11:25, I Corinthians 15:40); His ascension to the right hand of the Father (Mark 16:19); His personal return in power and glory (Acts 1:11, Revelation 19:11).*
4. *We believe in the absolute necessity of regeneration by the Holy Spirit for salvation because of the exceeding sinfulness of human nature; and that men are justified on the single ground of faith in the shed blood of Christ and that only by God's grace and through faith alone we are saved (John 3:16-19, John 5:24, Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8-9, Ephesians 2:8-10, Titus 3:5).*
5. *We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life, and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation (John 5:28-29).*
6. *We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 8:9, I Corinthians 12:12-23, Galatians 3:26-28).*
7. *We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life (Romans 8:13-14, I Corinthians 3:16, I Corinthians 6:19-20, Ephesians 4:30, Ephesians 5:18).*

Statement of Core Family Values

1. *We believe that human life begins at conception and therefore an unborn child is a fully human person (Genesis 1:28, Psalm 127:3, Psalm 139, Exodus 20:13).*
2. *We believe that sexual activity, including but not limited to intercourse, is morally wrong outside of marriage (Ephesians 5:31, I Corinthians 6:16-20, I Corinthians 7:2).*
3. *We believe that God's design for marriage is exclusively heterosexual (Romans 1:27, Ephesians 5:31).*
4. *We believe that promoting or encouraging hatred against any individual or group is incompatible with the teachings of Christianity and is unacceptable in our school (I Corinthians 13, Galatians 5:22).*

Elora Road Christian School Distinctives

- ▶ All staff are born again Christians dedicated to the ministry of Christian Education.
- ▶ The Christ-like character development of each child is a vital aspect of growth.
- ▶ The spiritual development of each child is paramount to our purpose as a school.
- ▶ Our teachers emphasize the basics: phonics, reading, grammar, spelling, math drill, etc.
- ▶ Our teachers have the authority to maintain good classroom control in a loving manner.
- ▶ ERCS sets high academic standards. Students require 60% to pass.
- ▶ All subjects are taught from a Christian perspective. All truth is God's truth.
- ▶ Ontario Ministry of Education Guidelines are met or exceeded at ERCS.
- ▶ Bible is an academic subject.
- ▶ ERCS offers classes from Junior Kindergarten through Grade 8.
- ▶ Phonics, counting and printing are taught and evaluated at the Jr. Kindergarten level.
- ▶ French is taught, beginning at Grade 1.
- ▶ Homework is required beginning at Grade 3.
- ▶ Standardized testing is performed annually to ensure high academic standards are maintained.
- ▶ Parents are encouraged to be involved in the school. Biblically, a child's education is primarily the responsibility of the parents.
- ▶ Ontario Student Records (OSRs) are maintained easing transitions from and to public and separate schools.
- ▶ Parents and teachers are encouraged to work together as a team for the maximum benefit of all the children.
- ▶ Special activities like skating and outdoor education are an additional part of the program at varying grade levels.
- ▶ Instrumental Music is available as an extra-curricular activity for students in Grades 4-8.
- ▶ ERCS has an excellent bus service with stops in Salem, Elora, and Fergus.
- ▶ ERCS students wear a modest and comfortable uniform.
- ▶ ERCS is a member of ACSI, the Association of Christian Schools International.
- ▶ Being a member of ACSI, our faculty have continuous opportunities for professional training, and attend the ACSI Christian School Teachers' Conference.
- ▶ ERCS is a member of CAASO, the Christian Athletic Association of South-Western Ontario.
- ▶ Being a member of CAASO, our older students may have opportunities to participate in sports tournaments like Soccer, Cross Country, Basketball, and Track and Field.

ERCS Tuition Payment Policies

- 1) Standard tuition rates apply to families admitted to the school. A limited amount of tuition assistance may be available. Applications for tuition assistance are provided at re-registration time each winter.
- 2) Tuition payments are due in advance. The following options are available:
 - A: The entire annual fee is due July 1st.
 - B: One payment of 1/12 tuition is due July 1st. Post-dated cheques for each subsequent 1st of the month are also submitted to the office with registration, each made out for 1/12 tuition. With this plan, your last tuition payment will be due June 1st.
- 3) A service fee of \$25.00 will be applied to all N.S.F. cheques.
- 4) No children of parents owing overdue tuition for July and August will be admitted to class in September.
- 5) No children of parents owing overdue tuition from one school year will be readmitted to ERCS the following year unless suitable arrangements have been approved by the Administrator.

Special Circumstances

- 6) Where a family gives 1 month written notice of leaving the school, tuition is due up to and including the attended month.
- 7) Where a family does not give one month written notice of leaving the school, and if they used option "A" in the payment schedule, they would be reimbursed 50% of the unused portion of the tuition.
- 8) Where a family does not give one month written notice of leaving the school, and if they used option "B" in the payment schedule, they would forfeit the 2-month tuition paid ahead.
- 9) Where a student is expelled or withdrawn at the recommendation or request of the school, tuition will be due on the basis of 1/190th of the annual rate to the date the expulsion occurred (based on 190 school days in a year).
- 10) ERCS considers that all unpaid tuition accounts from the past year(s) are still due to ERCS. Careful records are kept and any parent may determine the status of his/her account by contacting the Principal or the Secretary.

ERCS 2010-2011 Tuition Table

Registration Fee \$100/family

			Sub-Total
Tuition	One Child JK (.4 time)	\$2,388	
	One Child SK (.6 time)	\$2,919	
	One Child Gr. 1-8	\$4,761	
	Two Children, All Grades	\$6,741	
	Three Children, All Grades	\$7,677	
	Four Children, All Grades	\$8,382	
	Five Children, All Grades	\$9,186	
Optional Donation*	Up to \$450/Year/Child		
Bus	\$1,500/Year/Family		
Activity Fee	JK & SK \$33/Year/Child	\$33 x _____ =	
	Grade 1-8 \$42/Year/Child	\$42 x _____ =	
		Total Due	
			÷12
Payments over 12 months =			

* *Optional Donation* - Elora Road Christian Fellowship contributes approximately \$450 for every student from its tithe dollars. The church is currently involved in a major building program. A tax receipt for a charitable donation will be issued for your contribution to offset this cost.

- ⇒ Post-dated cheques are due at time of re-registration.
- ⇒ If you anticipate receiving tuition assistance, please re-register today and attach one cheque with the regular amount for the first month's tuition. Cheques are payable to ERCS dated July 1st.

Note: JK is tax deductible as child care for the parent with lower income. For more information contact the office.

Uniform Information

When parents send their child to Elora Road Christian School, it is understood that they agree to uphold the Uniform Policy. It is expected that all students will come to school in the appropriate uniform each school day. The Uniform Policy will be enforced by our teachers and the members of the Uniform Committee. Any student not in proper uniform will call home and remain in the office until someone brings them proper uniform clothing.

GIRLS SK- Grade 2 UNIFORM	HOW TO WEAR IT
NAVY TUNIC	-not shorter than the knee
GOLF SHIRT or PETER PAN BLOUSE - WHITE, CRESTED	-worn under tunic at all times
BLACK SHOES (no open toes)	-must be solid black (no coloured stripes or soles) -must not walk on the backs of shoes, must be done up properly
SOCKS or TIGHTS - NAVY or WHITE (No sports socks)	-socks or tights must be worn at all times (no bare feet)
1/2 ZIP PULL OVER - MAROON, CRESTED	-worn over tunic for warmth
GIRLS Grades 3-8 UNIFORM	HOW TO WEAR IT
PLAID KILT - MAROON/CHARCOAL/NAVY	-not shorter than the knee
NAVY PANTS—SPECIAL STYLE FOR GIRLS (*optional item)	-properly hemmed
GOLF SHIRT—WHITE, CRESTED	-tucked into Kilt at all times
BLACK SHOES (no open toes)	-must be solid black (no coloured stripes or soles) -must not walk on the backs of shoes, must be done up properly
KNEE SOCKS or TIGHTS - NAVY or BURGUNDY (No sports socks) NAVY OR BLACK WITH PANTS	-socks or tights must be worn at all times (no bare feet)
1/2 ZIP PULL OVER - MAROON, CRESTED	-to be worn over shirt/blouse for warmth
BOYS SK-Grade 8 UNIFORM	HOW TO WEAR IT
NAYV PANTS	-properly hemmed, not rolled up -not to be worn if torn or frayed
NAVY WALKING SHORTS (*optional item)	-not shorter than 2" above the knee
GOLF SHIRT - WHITE, CRESTED	-tucked into pants at all times
BLACK SHOES	-must be SOLID black (no coloured stripes or soles) -must not walk on the backs of shoes, properly laced at all times
SOCKS - NAVY, GREY or BLACK	-to be worn at all times, no bare feet
BLACK BELT	-must be worn at all times on pants and shorts
1/2 ZIP PULL OVER - MAROON, CRESTED	-worn over golf shirt for warmth

All items must be purchased from McCarthy, with the exception of socks (these can be purchased through McCarthy for your convenience), black shoes and belts.

**UNIFORM
SUPPLIER**

R.J. McCarthy Ltd. ~ Cambridge
 44 Satsman Drive, Unit #1, Cambridge, Ontario N3H 4R7
 Telephone: 416-593-6900 Toll-Free: 800-668-8261 Fax: 416-593-6229
 Order online @...www.rjmccarthy.com

PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORM GIRLS & BOYS Grades 1-8

- ⇒ Crested t-shirts, grey
- ⇒ Shorts, burgundy
- ⇒ Track pants, grey

- ⇒ Crested sweat shirt, grey
- ⇒ Socks, white, grey or uniform
- ⇒ Running shoes



All items must be purchased from the school with the exception of running shoes and socks. Please see school office for order forms.

↪ Girls are not permitted to wear track pants under their kilt in class.

CASUAL DRESS DAYS/NON-UNIFORM ACTIVITIES

Dress must be clean, modest and appropriate. It is important that you recognize our school as a place of learning. T-shirts must be without writing or pictures, no tank tops, spaghetti straps or short tops, that expose the midriff. All clothing must be in good condition, no rips, tears or frayed edges. No open toed shoes or bare feet are permitted.

Hats may not be worn in the school and must be left on coat hooks (only to be worn out side).



No bandanas, sunglasses or other head wear are to be worn in class.

Parents are responsible to send their child in complete school uniform at all times during the school day. Uniform must always be clean and in good condition.



PLEASE LABEL ALL YOUR CHILDREN'S CLOTHING!

Application for Admission

Welcome to Elora Road Christian School! ERCS is an evangelical Christian Day School for children in Junior Kindergarten through Grade 8. Admission to ERCS will be determined after a completed application has been submitted and an interview has been conducted with our Principal.

Instructions:

The enclosed Student Application Form must be completed and the Student Application, Parent's Pledge, and Pupil's Pledge (Gr. 5-8), must be signed and returned to ERCS to indicate your understanding and acceptance of our expectations. The completed application that you send to the school must include:

1. The Student Application Form (1 per student)
2. Copies of the last three report cards (transfer students only)
3. The signed Parent's Pledge and Pupil's Pledge
4. A cheque covering the non-refundable application fee of \$100 per family (new families only)
5. A copy of your child's birth certificate (JK/SK students only)
6. Immunization Data Form with a copy of immunization records attached

Parents of applicants must be interviewed by the Principal. All students will be screened by the Principal. The presence of both parents at an interview is required except under unusual circumstances.

Prospective students entering the school for Grades 1-8 will complete an entrance exam to ensure the most appropriate placement for them.

Student Application Form

Date: _____

Grade in September 2010 _____

Family Information

Name: _____
first middle surname

Address: _____
and street city/town postal code

Date of birth: _____
month/day/year

Home Phone #: _____

Cell Phone #: _____

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Employer: _____

Employer: _____

Position: _____

Position: _____

Work Phone#: _____

Work Phone#: _____

Marital Status: _____

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Living with the applicant? _____

Living with the applicant? _____

School History

Has your child repeated or skipped a grade? _____ Which grade? _____

List all previous schools attended:

Name of school	City/Town	Grade(s)	Principal
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Please attach copies of the three most recent report cards to this application

Why do you want your child to attend ERCS? _____

Medical Information

Doctor's Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

Dentist's Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

Person to contact in case of emergency, if parents are not available:

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

Relationship to student: _____

Does your child have any history of allergies, unusual physical or emotional conditions or a learning disability which might require special attention?

If so, please explain: _____

Is your child on medication? If so, please explain: _____

Health Card #: _____

General Information

Home Church: _____ Phone #: _____

Pastor(s): _____

If you would like your child's (Great-) Grandparents to be on our mailing list for monthly newsletters please fill in the appropriate spaces below.

Name(s): _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

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Address: _____

Request for Bus Service

Name of Student(s)	Grade(s) in Sept./'10
1.	
2.	
3.	

Pre-School Siblings (to help us plan for the future!)

Brother(s) – please include date of birth	Sister(s) – please include date of birth

Office Use Only:

Date: _____ Placement in Grade: _____
 \$100 Registration fee received by: _____ Teacher: _____
 Tuition cheques received by: _____ Starting Date: _____
 Registration was: accepted ___ not accepted ___ O.S.R. Requested: _____

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ERCS Parent's Pledge

Elora Road Christian School upholds the authority of the home and the responsibility that parents have as primary caregivers for the education of their children. In developing the highest potential in your child through the educational process and philosophy of ERCS, it is necessary for the home and the school to work cooperatively. This pledge serves not as a binding document but rather as a promise by parents to work with the school in the education of their children.

By signing this document, we state that:

1. We are in agreement with the statement of faith, statement of core family values, philosophy, methods, counseling, discipline, and motives of the school.
2. We invest authority in loco parentis in the school to discipline our child as necessary. We further agree that we will cooperate with any disciplinary action taken at school.
3. ERCS has full discretion for the grade and class placement of my child.
4. ERCS reserves the right to dismiss any student who does not cooperate with the educational process.
5. I understand that tuition rates may not cover the cost of operating the school and therefore my participation is needed in lending practical help and prayer support in a mutual effort to train our child(ren).
6. I hereby confirm that we have no unpaid debts at any other independent/private school.
7. We understand that assessments will be made to cover any property damage for which my child is partially or fully responsible.
8. We give permission for our child to use the school's climbing wall, understanding the normal risks involved in this activity.
9. We pledge our support to ERCS through prayer and through making punctual tuition payments. We understand and agree that our tuition payments for one year must be paid in full before our child(ren) can continue the following year.
10. We agree not to withhold pertinent behavioural information from the school.
11. We give permission to use my child(ren)'s pictures taken throughout the school year in monthly newsletters and/or on the school website.

Father _____

Mother _____

Guardian _____

Date Signed: _____

ERCS Student's Pledge—Gr. 5-8

I promise my sincere effort to do the following:

1. Be positive about learning and do my best in my school work.
2. Be obedient to those God has placed in authority above me at home and at school, trusting that God has the very best in mind for my training.
3. Demonstrate and grow in Christ-like character whether I am at school, home, or elsewhere.

Signature of the Student _____

Immunization Data Form

Please PRINT Clearly in Ink

Name of

School: _____

New Student

Kindergarten student starting _____
(month/year)

Child's Last Name: _____ First _____ Middle _____

Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____ Male [] Ontario Health Card #: _____
Year Month Day Female [] _____ - _____ - _____

Parent/Guardian: _____
(Last Name) (First Name) (Relationship to Child)

Address: _____ Unit/Apt.: _____ Home Phone # [] _____

City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____ Work Phone # [] _____

Family Physician: _____ Dr's. Phone # [] _____

Name of Previous School (if applicable): _____

Address: _____ City/Town: _____ Prov. _____

Immunization History:

Please attach a photocopy of all of your child's records to this form.

Date: _____ Parent/Guardian's Signature _____

PLEASE NOTE:

In order to attend school in Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph, you must provide a complete history of your child's immunization to Public Health (Medical Officer of Health) or produce a signed medical exemption from your physician or an affidavit stating a religious or philosophical conflict. The Immunization of School Pupils Act requires that students have up-to-date immunization against six designated diseases: **diphtheria, tetanus, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (German measles)**.

It is the responsibility of parents to maintain a record of immunization for their children and to inform Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health when additional immunization is given.

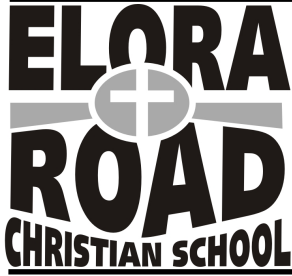
If you are unable to complete this form or cannot locate your child's record, please contact your previous physician or call Public Health for assistance.

The information on this form is collected under the authority of Health Promotion and Protection Act and in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information Protection and Privacy Act and the Provincial Health Information Protection Act. This information will be used for the delivery of public health programs and services, the administration of the organization, the maintenance of health care databases, registries, related public health research and compliance with legal and regulatory requirements. Any questions about this collection should be addressed to the Director of Administration.



Public Health

Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health
1.800.265.7293 www.wdghu.org info@wdghu.org



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Phone: 519-824-1890

Fax: 519-821-3518

Email: school@ercf.ca

Website: eloraroad.ca

Principal: John Dekorte, B.Math.

Request for Ontario School Record

Please forward the Ontario School Record for:

Surname

First

Middle

who has enrolled in Grade _____ at

the **Elora Road Christian School**

5696 Wellington Road 7

RR #5

Guelph, Ontario

N1H 6J2

This is to certify that this is a school listed by the Ontario Ministry of Education.

I hereby agree to accept responsibility for the records, and to use, maintain, protect, and transfer the records following the procedures outlined in the manual authorized for use with the Ontario School Record System.

Principal

Date

As parent/legal guardian, I hereby consent to the transfer of the school record folder.

Parent/Legal Guardian