

# Accreditation School Profile

## Timothy Christian School (Rexdale/Etobicoke)

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The boards of the Timothy Christian School and Canadian Hallmarks Institute (CHI) are pleased to publish this *Accreditation Profile* as a public service promoting independent faith-based education in the greater Toronto area. The format of this profile follows CHI standards: The contents of this profile were developed using local information obtained as part of the successful accreditation review.

### 1. Mission:

The official mission of the school is:

*Timothy Christian School provides, for the children of Christian families, a nurturing Christian environment where staff lead students to strive for excellence in all areas of learning.*

### 2. Governance:

Timothy Christian School is owned by the Timothy Christian School Association of Toronto and operated on its behalf by an elected board of 12 directors. The Timothy Christian School Association of Toronto is a registered charity (#108110131RR0001) and membership in the society is open to all adults who meet the criteria.

### 3. Community Demographics of School

- a) The families supporting Timothy Christian School come from a wide range of socio-economic backgrounds. A total of 40 different occupations are represented as well as a large economic range, from needy to wealthy families.
- b) The general statistics for Toronto County taken from Stats Canada Reports (2006), which provide the following:
  - Average (full-time income all families)                      \$69,321
  - Average (income single/parent families)                      \$38,824

## 4. Admission Policies for Students

- a) The Timothy Christian School board has adopted a policy of non-discrimination in support of the Ontario Human Rights Code. In promoting its distinctive Christian character, the policy requires that students should:
  - be able to benefit from the programs offered and that parents should
  - declare their (his/her) support of the school's religious identity as evident in official documents.
- b) The student body is 91.3% composed of Canadian citizens.

## 5. Faculty

- a) Timothy Christian School has 3 full-time and 5 part-time teaching staff, 75% of whom have the Ontario Teacher's Certificate, 50% hold the Christian Teacher's Certificate and 38% hold both the Ontario Teacher's Certificate and the Christian Teacher's Certificate.
- b) The average teaching experience of the staff is 9.7 years (full time equivalent). The board requires an annual program of professional development for all teachers.
- c) The pupil-teacher ratio (PTR) is 15:1 for 2011/12.

## 6. Student Achievement

Timothy Christian School has a student body of 92 and a complete JK-8 program. The faculty follows a defined evaluation program to monitor the academic and social progress of each student.

- a) Basic Skills - The school participates in the Ontario Alliance of Christian Schools (OACS) student assessment program on an annual basis. In 2010, Grades 3 - 8 participated in the Canadian Tests of Basic Skills (CTBS) with outstanding results.

Timothy Christian School (Rexdale/Etobicoke) CTBS Test Results, "2010" (percentile)			
Grade	School Ranking	OACS Norm	Canadian National Norm
3	83	82	50
4	81	77	50
5	78	77	50
6	41	72	50
7	86	76	50
8	66	75	50

- b) Literacy Test from Province - The school does not participate in the elementary provincial tests sponsored by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) because of the fees levied on non-funded private schools by the EQAO as a cost of participation.

- c) Timothy Christian School graduates attend Toronto District Christian High School where students score above average on the Provincial Literacy Test.
- d) Other significant awards given are Discipleship, Leadership, Athletics and Honour Roll.

## 7. Programs of Study

- a) Timothy Christian School offers a complete range of academic programs for all eight grades. The curriculum follows the outline developed by the OACS. This design follows the official Ministry of Education curriculum in content requirements.
- b) The board and faculty are committed to the integration of Christian perspectives throughout the entire program of studies.
- c) Timothy Christian School has a special education resource program and a special needs program. It provides technological studies at many grade levels to ensure that students acquire computer literacy before graduation.

## 8. Finances

- a) Timothy Christian School obtains its income from several sources, notably:
  - 82% from tuition;
  - 6% from donations;
  - 0% from government grants;
  - 6% from fundraising events;
  - 6% other
- b) 2011/2012 Year the tuition rate was \$11,390 family rate. Part time kindergarten student rate is \$6,834.
- c) For families experiencing temporary financial hardship, the board provides discretionary assistance as needed.
- d) The official budget is approved each spring at a general membership meeting. The budget expenditures are as follows:
 

● education, salaries and benefits	82%
● transportation	1%
● facilities, operating	8%
● facilities capital & mortgage interest	0%
● program	6%
● administration	3%
● other	0%

## 9. Membership

Timothy Christian School is part of a large family of schools known as the Ontario Alliance of Christian Schools (OACS). This provincial organization provides general policy guidelines on all matters relevant to operating a school in Ontario. Timothy Christian School is also a

