RiverTree School Statement of Faith

RiverTree School is committed to the doctrines of historic, orthodox Christianity. We also recognize a broad range of denominational differences among orthodox Christianity's adherents. Therefore we affirm as our statement of faith the Nicene Creed, the most widely used ancient statement of orthodox Christian belief. We furthermore require that all employees and board members affirm the Christian doctrine expressed in the Nicene Creed as a condition of employment.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father [and the Son.]* With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

*A latter addition by the western church, this phrase is not accepted by Eastern Orthodox churches and affirmation of it is not required.