



Canadian Hallmarks
INSTITUTE

Benefits of Accreditation



For Schools

1. The accreditation process verifies that accredited schools meet standards of high quality as determined by pre-defined external measurements.
2. Standards identify the elements that create quality services.
3. CHI accreditation standards address ten major aspects of school operation identified in current research.
4. Accredited schools participate in a "Best Practices" seminar to ensure that the quality of service is monitored continuously between assessments.
5. The complete process takes one year and includes an objective client-feedback mechanism.
6. The complete process helps improve the quality of services by providing a touch point to provincial standards.
7. Accreditation encourages an ethic of continuous improvement in the organization and strengthens the identity of Christian schools.
8. Accreditation facilitates and develops high quality and responsive Christian schools as the second stage of a three-part improvement program.

For Boards

1. Visible accountability in exceeding the provincial standards and meeting high Christian education standards monitored by an outside team.
2. Reward for hard work of community, board, staff and teachers.
3. Increased credibility and good publicity in the community.
4. Increased recognition for excellence in the community and Christian education circles.

Annual Benefits

1. Maintaining the profile manually guarantees that schools look critically at their achievements.
2. The annual *Best Practice Seminar* builds the continuous improvement of the school.
3. The profile gives potential customers (parents) an up-to-date description of the school.
4. The standard allows for easy comparison from school to school for decision-making purposes by parents.