



RAISING UP LEADERS, SENDING OUT HOPE

Dear Parents,

Thank you for expressing interest in Accelerate Christian School (ACS). ACS is a church school provided by Accelerate Church as a ministry to our families and Christian families in our community who are faithfully following Jesus and committed to training their children in “the way they should go” (Proverbs 22:6).

Included in this application packet is our statement of faith, admissions policies and procedures, tuition and fees, and information about our philosophy on Christian education. Please read through this information thoroughly and return the attached application to Accelerate Christian School by May 10, 2024. Also, if you have any additional questions, please contact Mr. Griffin at (806) 418-8913.

The goal of ACS is to partner with parents in teaching their children in the way they should go. We are of the conviction that Biblical education is foundational for the success of our children. We are racially non-discriminatory and provide equal opportunity and privileges for all our students.

In Him,

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STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God.

We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons:
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.

We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful people, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.

We believe in the infilling of the Holy Spirit after salvation, evidenced by speaking in tongues.

We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.

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.

We do not believe in unconditional eternal security.

We believe that if you have been saved, that you are a new creation and no longer live a lifestyle of sin.

We believe that God is the creator of all life, and He assigns gender in the womb.

We believe that the Bible warns against all intoxicants; therefore, we do not condone drinking alcohol for any purpose or at any time.

INTRODUCTION

This is a description of who we are at Accelerate Christian School (ACS). It is in part a declaration of our standard of conduct. It is our belief that “He who declares his standards of conduct has declared himself.” The things that one will, or will not, do define the quality of life that one will possess. The word “standard” means “a standing place.” It means that there is something unique and singular by which we are willing to be identified. In addition, “standard” is used to refer to “something used as a rule or basis of comparison in measuring or judging” according to Mr. Noah Webster. The Bible tells us that there is a “way in which (our children) should go.” Something must be available as a plumb line to measure whether progress is being achieved. The objective in establishing ACS is to obey the Scriptural imperatives of Deuteronomy 6:5-7a: “. . . love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children. . .” and of Proverbs 22:6 to “train up a child in *THE way he SHOULD go*” (emphasis added). Teaching is training. Training for life must include preparation for eternity.

A Christian school is an extension of the Christian home in nurturing young people in a Christian environment for their eternity. The school staff works closely with parents to educate the whole child.

Attendance at ACS is a privilege and not a right. The major goal of the school is not to reform, but to educate Christian youth of varying ability in the highest principles of Christian leadership, self-discipline, individual responsibility, personal integrity, and good citizenship. This school stands without apology for the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and the highest standards of morality and Christian behavior.

Note: In this handbook, the terms “parent”, “parents”, “father”, and “mother” are intended to be generic terms referring to the adult, or adults, who have legal custody of the student(s) enrolled at ACS.

ADMISSIONS POLICY

ACS is a ministry of Accelerate Church and our programs are open to members of Accelerate Church and Christian families in the community who are faithful in attendance to church and are willing to follow the Biblical standards of the school, at school, in the community, and in their homes.

ACS is racially nondiscriminatory and provides equal opportunity and privileges for all its students. The selection of students is based upon interviews with both the parents and the student. For enrollment, ACS must have a signed Honor Code Agreement from the parents and the student declaring that they will abide by and cooperate with the rules, regulations, and standards of the school and the Word of God. Family life and general behavior of the student will be carefully considered. Both parents (and students ages 7-18) should be born-again Christians (according to Romans 10:9-10 KJV). However, if only one parent is a born-again Christian, consideration of enrollment will be given if the following can be agreed upon:

1. The Christian parent must be faithful in church attendance with his/her children and be supported in this endeavor by the other.
2. Preferably both parents must be willing to participate in the interview and be in full agreement with each other concerning the financial commitments that must be made to the school.
3. Preferably both parents must also agree with the school's general policies of conduct, school procedures, and appearance guidelines.
4. Preferably both parents must agree that if problems arise and a breach of agreement between the parents, students, and school cannot be worked out, the school reserves the right to terminate the student's enrollment.
5. In the event that one parent is uncooperative, the acceptance of the student will be handled on a case-by-case basis, taking into account legal custody documentation, church membership, school attendance (if currently enrolled at ACS) and any other applicable information. Acceptance is not guaranteed.

ACS is not a reformatory and is unable to accept juvenile delinquents or problem children. It is not the primary purpose of the school to evangelize non-Christian children, but rather to train and disciple Christian children. ACS is not equipped to handle children who are severely handicapped, terminally ill, or have severe learning disabilities.

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATORY POLICY AS STUDENTS

ACS admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities general accorded or made available to students at the school. ACS does not discriminate based on race, color, or national or ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, and other school-administered programs.

ADMISSIONS PROCEDURES

1. Complete and submit the Student Application Form packet with enrollment fee.
2. The Principal must interview both parents and the prospective student.
3. The Admission's Committee will accept or reject the application.
4. THOROUGHLY read the school handbook (handbook will be given upon acceptance).
5. Both parents must commit to attend the Parent Orientation, all Parent-Teacher meetings, and keep their financial commitments to the school.

Note:

- Each year there will be a requirement to resubmit a re-enrollment application (along with the re-enrollment fee) for review for the next school year.
- The school administration reserves the right to specify the length of a probationary period for any new student. (The Admissions Committee might possibly make exceptions to the above policy only after prayerful consideration.) The school reserves the right to refrain from giving an explanation for not accepting any student of any age for enrollment or re-enrollment.

FEES AND TUITION POLICY

ACS is a non-government funded institution. With that in mind, Christian education is a privilege, but cannot be maintained without the financial commitment of those involved. We strive to keep tuition fees low and as reasonable as possible. We make it our goal to work with every family, provided you are willing to work with us; communication is the key!

Enrollment Fees

1. Non-refundable fee for all first-year students - \$50/individual or \$75/family, due when the application is turned in.
2. Non-refundable fee for all returning students - \$25/individual or \$50/family, due when the application is turned in.

Multi-Student Discount

ACS offers a multi-student tuition discount to families who have two (2) or more students enrolled in the school.

1. 10% off 2nd student
2. 20% off 3rd student
3. 40% off 4 or more students

PLEASE NOTE:

- All tuition fees listed include a \$350.00 annual curriculum fee.
- A late fee of \$10.00/student will be incurred if tuition is paid after the 10th of each month.
- Tuition more than 60 days delinquent may result in dismissal from ACS.

IT ALWAYS PAYS MORE THAN IT COSTS!

Standard Tuition Fees

	Annual Tuition	12-Month Tuition	10-Month Tuition
Pre-K - 5th Grade	4,550.00 5% Disc = 4,322.00	380.00*	455.00
6th - 8th Grade	5,150.00 5% Disc = 4,892.00	430.00*	515.00
9th - 12th Grade	5,750.00 5% Disc = 5,462.00	480.00*	575.00

*First two months payments are due in June and July 2024.

AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIPS:

Accelerate Church Members Scholarship: Criteria is that parent(s) are consistently tithing 10% to Accelerate Church. After annual qualification, monthly monitoring will occur.

Christian Worker Scholarship: Criteria is that parent(s) volunteer a minimum of 2 hours per week at ACS. ACS will determine what tasks are needed, and at what times. If you are selected to receive this scholarship, you will be contacted for a Scholarship Interview to discuss duties and scheduling.

Accelerate Church Members Scholarship - 50% Discount (on Tuition Only)

Grades	Annual Tuition	12-Month Tuition	10-Month Tuition
Pre-K - 5th Grade	2,450.00 5% Disc = 2,327.00	205.00*	245.00
6th - 8th Grade	2,750.00 5% Disc = 2,612.00	230.00*	275.00
9th - 12th Grade	3,050.00 5% Disc = 2,897.00	255.00*	305.00

*First two months payments are due in June and July 2024.

Both Church Members and Christian Worker Scholarships - Additional 20% Discount

Grades	Annual Tuition	12-Month Tuition	10-Month Tuition
Pre-K - 5th Grade	2,030.00 5% Disc = 1,928.00	170.00*	203.00
6th - 8th Grade	2,270.00 5% Disc = 2,156.00	190.00*	227.00
9th - 12th Grade	2,510.00 5% Disc = 2,384.00	210.00*	251.00

*First two months payments are due in June and July 2024.

Christian Worker Scholarship - 20% Discount

Grades	Annual Tuition	12-Month Tuition	10-Month Tuition
Pre-K - 5th Grade	3,710.00 5% Disc = 3,524.00	310.00*	371.00
6th - 8th Grade	4190.00 5% Disc = 3,980.00	350.00*	419.00
9th - 12th Grade	4,670.00 5% Disc = 4,436.00	390.00*	467.00

*First two months payments are due in June and July 2024.

PHILOSOPHY OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Bible makes some outstanding statements about training and educating children:

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." (John 14:6)

"Train up a child in the way that he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6)

"And these words which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." (Deuteronomy 6:6-7)

"Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ." (Colossians 2:8)

"And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord." (Ephesians 6:4)

"[A child] is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father." (Galatians 4:1)

From these Scriptures several things are clear:

First, Jesus Christ is the foundation of all learning and understanding concerning life. He is the way, the truth, and the life. True education takes place when Jesus is given first place and is honored as the One "in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." (Colossians 2:13)

Second, a child is to be trained only in the way that he should go. The standard to which a child should be trained is faith in Jesus Christ and obedience to His Word. A child's education should be consistent with this standard.

Third, the Word of God is to provide the philosophical basis of a child's training and education. All academic disciplines are to be presented from the standpoint of the absolute integrity and morality of the Bible.

Fourth, the Scriptures warn that philosophies that are contrary to Christ can spoil or capture a child's mind. Children should not be trained and educated in humanistic philosophies that deny the role of God as Creator, a man's accountability to God, and the absolute moral standards of the Bible.

Fifth, the Bible teaches that the training and education of children is a parental responsibility. God is holding fathers, not the state, responsible for the training and education of their children. Tutors and governors (teachers and aides) are to assist parents in training their children in the way they should go. ACS is dedicated to assisting Christian parents in educating their children according to the principles of God's Word.

2024-2025 HONOR CODE

1. I will faithfully attend and participate in scheduled services at Accelerate Church, or at my church, if I am not a member of Accelerate Church.
2. I will strive to discover my God-given talents, to develop those abilities fully, and to devote those talents to a lifetime of learning, serving, and honoring God.
3. I will not use, or be associated with the use, of tobacco, vaping, drugs, or alcohol, and I will honor God by maintaining a lifestyle of sexual purity.
4. I will refrain from the use of profanity, vulgarity, sexual, or any other type of writing, print material, innuendo, or conversation, including in and on all social media, which is inappropriate for a Christian.
5. I will not lie, cheat, or steal, nor will I tolerate such activity.
6. I will not bring any type of weapon to school.
7. I will show respect for authority and submit myself to the teachers and administration of ACS, realizing that attendance at ACS is a privilege, not a right.
8. My dress and my appearance will not only comply with the dress code of ACS, but it will also reflect Christian modesty and values. (Dress Code is discussed during the Parent/Student Interview and is also addressed in the Student Handbook that will be given to the parents & students upon acceptance to ACS.)
9. My relationship with other students will be based on the principles of Christ's love. I will show care and concern for others in my speech and my actions.
10. I will support the ACS Statement of Faith as it is applied to instruction throughout the curriculum.
11. I will uphold this Honor Code for the full twelve months of the year, at school, at school activities, at church, and outside of school.