



Dear Prospective Family,

Thank you for considering Columbia Christian Academy for the education of your child. The establishment of this academy is a response to the direction and vision which God put in the hearts of Pastors Tom and Vicki Leuther, pastors of Family Worship Center church. Our faculty members desire to elevate children in academic excellence *and* in the knowledge of God through Jesus Christ.

We believe that our role in the education of your child is that of *partnership* with you, the parent/s, to lay a firm foundation in the things of God and to teach your children the art of learning. At Columbia Christian Academy, our desire is to not just teach your child the standard subjects, but also to know Who God is through his Word, how to have a personal relationship with Him, and how to shine the light of Jesus' love to the world around them.

At our academy, we adopt a high standard of policies and procedures. Peace and order are a requirement for your child to achieve the highest levels of spiritual and academic excellence. God operates within the boundaries of order, and we must strive to operate in decency and order so that we can fulfill the spiritual and academic needs of the students. Policies established in the handbook are intended to help guide students toward the "mark of the high calling of Christ" (Philippians 3:14).

Thank you for your interest in Columbia Christian Academy. We are here to assist you and your child in reaching their goals, both academically and spiritually. We consider it a privilege to minister to and educate your child. We desire to provide your child with an excellent education as well as to introduce them to Jesus, their Savior.

Your partners in education,

Columbia Christian Academy Faculty

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Statement of Mission

Training Children in Academic Excellence and the Pursuit of God

Our goal at Columbia Christian Academy is to work *with parents* in order to:

PROVIDE students with a safe environment in which they can grow spiritually, academically and socially through character development based on the words of God written in the Bible;

PREPARE students academically to enter the workforce or post-secondary education as productive, equipped citizens who demonstrate the traits of integrity, responsibility and hard work;

PRODUCE a bridge between the Christian home, the Church and the educational system by enrolling families and not just students.

Philosophy of Education

Our philosophy is to not teach a classroom but rather teach individual students in a way that is most beneficial to them. Columbia Christian Academy strives to facilitate an environment in which students can receive the attention they need to enable them to progress academically by appreciating a variety of learning styles.

Also, just as we are created in the likeness and image of God, it is our belief that excellence, in the realm of academics as well as every area of our students' lives, will occur naturally as a result of Godly character and integrity being diligently cultivated in each individual.

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Tuition and Fees

At Columbia Christian Academy, we strive to maintain affordable tuition and fees. A breakdown of these charges are found below, along with various payment plan options. Please note that there may be additional fees occasionally throughout the school year, such as student photographs and field trips where an admission is charged. We strive to keep all extra costs and fees to a minimum.

Fees-

- Enrollment Fee-.Due with Intent of Enrollment and **non-refundable**.....\$200.00
- Activity Fee (for teaching supplies, electronics, other necessities, and due annually)\$100.00
- Standardized Testing Fee **1st grade & higher** (collected on even years only)..... \$50.00
- Curriculum/Supplies Fee- **Preschool and Kindergarten only**.....\$160.00
- **Curriculum cost for 1st grade & higher** is variable depending on the child's needs. A list will be sent home for parents to purchase curriculum and supplies after student is evaluated. Parents purchase all curriculum separate from tuition and school fees.....Varies

**The following fees are due with the submission of the second packet of enrollment forms:
Activity Fee, PK-K Curriculum/Supplies Fee and Standardized Testing Fee.*

Tuition –Three Affordable Options

1. **Monthly Payment Plan Option:**
PK-8th - **\$440.00** received on or before the first of the month from August through May
9th-12th - **\$500.00** received on or before the first of the month from August through May

Sibling Discount:
PK-8th - \$420/month for second and all other siblings
9th-12th - \$477.50/month for second and all other high school siblings
2. **PK-8th Semi-annual Payment Plan Option**– Two payments of **\$2,145**
(a 2.5% discount) to be paid on or before July 1st and January 1st
3. **9th-12th Semi-annual Payment Plan Option**– Two payments of **\$2,437.50**
(a 2.5% discount) to be paid on or before July 1st and January 1st
4. **PK-8th Annual Payment Plan Option**– A single payment of **\$4,180** (a 5% discount)
to be paid on or before July 1st prior to the beginning of the academic year
5. **9th-12th Annual Payment Plan Option**– A single payment of **\$4,750** (a 5% discount)
to be paid on or before July 1st prior to the beginning of the academic year

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Early Completion of Curriculum

If a student completes their work in a particular subject, s/he may advance to the next grade level in that subject area. The child's teacher will communicate with parents to give advance notice of when parents should purchase the new curriculum.

Payment Policy

1. One of the payment plans, outlined above, must be chosen.
2. No enrollment application will be accepted without the applicable fees having been paid in full.
3. Statements are sent out mid-month showing the tuition amount to be paid by a given due date.
4. A \$25.00 late fee will be charged if payment is not made by the due date indicated per the payment plan elected.
5. If the Monthly Payment Plan is elected, payments are due by the 1st of each month and considered late after the 15th.
6. Monthly payments begin on August 1st and go through May 1st.
7. If payment for the previous month and the current month has not been made by the 1st of the current month, then the student will not be allowed to return until all payments have been made, bringing the account current.
8. No reductions in charges will be made for vacations or holidays.
9. **Choosing the Monthly Payment Option is a commitment to pay the yearly tuition divided into 10 equal amounts for your convenience. These payments are each one-tenth of the yearly total despite the varying amount of school days in each month.**

If you know that your payment will be late due to extenuating circumstances, please communicate that with us as soon as possible. We will endeavor to work with each family on an individual basis. Communication regarding payments should be made to Bob Reynolds, business@fwccomo.org or 573-441-1140 ext. 203.

Withdrawal Policy

Columbia Christian Academy is a not-for-profit ministry. The leadership hires teachers, commits to salaries and purchases the necessities of running the school based on families' enrollment commitments. Withdrawal of students just before the start of the school year or mid-year results in loss of anticipated funds to the school after expenses have already been incurred in anticipation of that student's enrollment. Therefore, families should consider enrollment of a student to be a serious financial commitment.

- Written notification should be given to the school at least four weeks prior to the student's last day.
- Regardless of the reason for withdrawal, **families will be responsible for at least one month's tuition** after the student's last day of attendance.
- When withdrawing prior to the beginning of the school year, families are responsible for one month's tuition, since acceptance of the student is considered to be a year-long commitment to the academy.
- In the event of early withdrawal, **any tuition paid in advance will not be refunded.**
- All financial obligations must be met in full before transcripts, records or report cards will be released.

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2024-2025 Intent of Enrollment

FOR USE BY OFFICE STAFF ONLY:

Date of Application: ____ / ____ / ____

This student, _____, **was / was not** accepted for enrollment for the year 20____.

Additional notes: _____

Signature of Principal

Student Information

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ M.I. _____

Birth Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Information regarding previous school student attended:

Name of previous school student attended _____

Phone number _____

Address of previous school attended _____

Street

City

State

Zip Code

Name of teacher for the most recent teacher student had _____

Email address of teacher _____

Grade of student at previous school _____

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Behavioral or Disciplinary issues? Y / N

If yes, explain _____

Learning difficulty or challenges? Y / N

If yes, explain _____

I am withdrawing my student from the previous school due to _____

Parent Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date



RELEASE OF STUDENT RECORDS

Date _____

Name of Student _____

Date of Birth _____ Grade Entering _____

I hereby request and authorize the official person of:

(Name of last school attended)

(Mailing Address of the School) (City) (State) ZIP

to send a transcript of all academic, discipline, test and health records, including special education diagnostic summary and IEP, concerning my child to the address listed below.

(Parents or Guardian Signature)

(Date)

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Attn: Charise Albritton, Principal**

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