

Dear Interested Parents;

I would like to invite you to explore the distinctive education at Alamance Christian School and discover the many ways your child can grow in this environment.

For forty years now ACS has served the Christian community of Alamance County and beyond with experienced teachers and quality instruction to students in Preschool through High School. It is a blessing to see children grow and change as they are exposed to exceptional academics, fine arts, and athletics in an environment that reinforces a Biblical Worldview.



Our Preschool teachers provide a nurturing environment using attractive curriculum materials and hands-on learning resources to teach children academic and social skills so they will be ready to learn the three R's in Kindergarten. Each child is made to understand that God made him special and that we are to glorify Him.

Our Elementary offers a solid core curriculum of Reading, Math, Science, Heritage, and English that is complemented by a variety of enrichment subjects. Students are introduced to Speech, Band, and Art and are given opportunities to shine in programs and competition. Elementary students are challenged daily with God's Word so they will know how they ought to live and please Him.

In High School the students are challenged to grow further with full courses in Speech, Computer, and Spanish along with the standard core curriculum. Students are exposed to God's truth daily in every class and are challenged to put into daily practice the things they learn. To accommodate different abilities, ACS offers a college prep track and programs for those with different educational objectives. Students are challenged to grow in character and ability through sports and fine arts competitions. In all competitive activities students are taught the "Finishing Philosophy" which encourages them to do their personal best for the glory of God and the eternal good of others.

The dedicated faculty not only make it their aim to give their students a solid academic education but are also concerned for the eternal good of their students and pray regularly for their spiritual growth and development.

Scores of successful graduates have acknowledged the importance and value of the Christian education they received at ACS. We hope that you too will see that it is a great place to grow in knowledge and in wisdom and desire this environment for your child. It is our goal, by God's grace, to give your child the best education in Alamance County.

Educating for Eternity

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel Freeman". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Daniel Freeman, Administrator



Students of all ages benefit from the education available to them at Alamance Christian School. Each student is afforded opportunities to be challenged, for encouragement, and for development of their full God-given potential.

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Mission Statement

Alamance Christian School is a community Christian school assisting Christian families through excellent academics, arts, and athletics from a biblical worldview in a nurturing environment so that all students might reach their God-given potential.

Organization

ACS is an independent, non-denominational, non-profit, educational, state-chartered corporation. It is governed by a self-perpetuating Board of Directors who come from several local, fundamental, Bible-preaching churches.

Admissions Policy

General: In order to ensure that this ministry effectively fulfills its purpose, ACS must limit its admissions to a specific constituency--those students from Christian homes who have enrolled their children out of conviction and who pledge to cooperate consistently with the programs, procedures and principles of conduct that the school has adopted. In addition, to prevent the child from being caught in a doctrinal crossfire between the home, the church and the school, ACS admits only those students from families where at least one parent and the child faithfully attend a Bible-preaching church whose pastor subscribes to our Statement of Faith. This would preclude membership in or attendance at Catholic, Mormon, Jehovah's Witness, Seventh Day Adventist, Christian Science, or other churches whose doctrinal positions would differ from the school's Statement of Faith (Amos 3:3; Eph. 2:8, 9; Gal. 1:6-9).

The Pursuit of Excellence through Christ

Selection of Students

Alamance Christian School admits students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies,



admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs and athletic and other school administered programs (I Corinthians 10:32, 33; Romans 2:28, 29; Galatians 3:26-29). Provided that the admissions requirements are met, students will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis as space allows.

Academic Program

Preschool

Alamance Christian School offers an excellent Preschool for three- and four-year-olds. Offering full-day and half-day programs, the ACS Preschool is designed to teach learning readiness skills in a structured environment that combines creative play, listening, and learning activities. The A Beka curriculum is utilized in both classes. Preschool children enrolled at ACS have access to our excellent playground facilities, gym, and lunchroom. The three- and four-year-old classes are taken on local field trips and receive music and art instruction.





Realizing that many parents work outside the home, ACS offers the advantage of an after school program with care until 5:30 p.m. Because of North Carolina State Daycare regulations governing ages and numbers, children must be three years old to begin the program. We also require that each child must

already be potty trained prior to enrollment at ACS programs. Children may be placed in the ACS three-year-old program at any time during the year; however, they must have reached their fourth birthday by August 31 in order to qualify for the four-year-old program.

Elementary

In the Kindergarten we use a blend of the A Beka and the Bob Jones curriculums. Reading is taught using the phonetic method in Kindergarten though 2nd grade. We use the Saxon

math program in 1st – 6th grades and Positive Action for our Bible program. All of our other classes use the Bob Jones curriculum.

Elementary students have different enrichment classes each day

including music, art, Spanish, computer, P.E., band, creative writing, speech, and listening. Each class takes two educational field trips each year to enhance the learning experience.



High School

High school students may choose among three graduation tracks – College prep, College technical, and Occupational. Besides the standard courses in English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Spanish, Computer, and Bible, students have a variety of electives to fill out their high school experience, such as Art, Proclamation, Band, Drama, Speech, Latin, Home Economics, Industrial Arts, Physical Education, and enrichment classes in history, science, and math.



Students in 8th grade who have the aptitude and interest may follow an advanced track in math beginning with Algebra I and finishing with Calculus in 12th grade.

Contact the office to receive more detailed information about these tracks and the courses we offer in each grade.

The percentage of graduates who attend a four-year college is 60% and a two-year college is 35%. The average class size is 25.

ACS graduates have been accepted at a wide variety of colleges and universities where they have excelled in many fields.



Opportunities at ACS

- ✓ Computer Lab equipped with state-of-the-art computers. Computer-to-pupil ratio is one to three in grades 8-12.
- ✓ Honors Class designation in: Anatomy, Calculus, Physics, Pre-calculus Trigonometry, U.S. History, English 11, Literature 12, and World History
- ✓ Excellent Fine Arts Programs in drama, speech, piano, and choral music
- ✓ Competitive Sports Programs in soccer, basketball, volleyball, golf, baseball, and cheerleading
- ✓ Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- ✓ Tutoring available to students with academic needs
- ✓ National Honor Society
- ✓ Field Trips and Class Trips
- ✓ Well stocked library with excellent resources for research and leisure reading
- ✓ Community service opportunities
- ✓ Scholarships
- ✓ Preschool through 12th grade
- ✓ After-school care



A Place to GROW

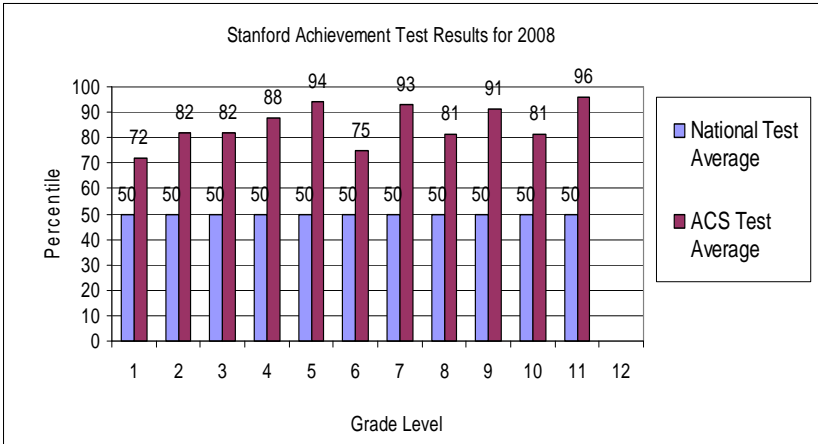


Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)

Alamance Christian School students' average score on the SAT for the past five years was 1097 out of a possible 1600*. The average five-year score for Alamance-Burlington high schools was 982.

*just math/verbal

Achievement Test



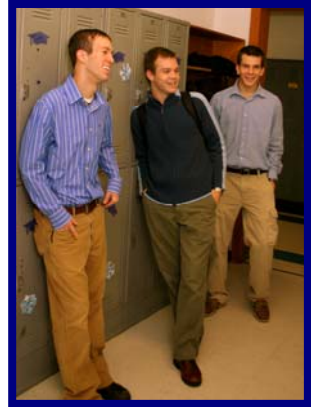
GROWING
Academically
Artistically
Athletically



General Dress Guidelines

Indicative of a Christian's esteem for his testimony are his attitude, his actions, and his appearance. In the area of appearance, the Bible offers at least three guidelines for Christians.

Modesty: Christians are admonished to dress in a manner that personifies the principle that we are the temple of God. Our dress should show sensitivity to the spiritual well-being of those who see us; it should reflect a desire to glorify God in a manner that is not vain, boastful, bold, or forward (I Tim. 2:9; II Tim. 2:22).



Distinction: Failure to dress in a manner that honors God's obvious distinction between men and women is wrong (Deut. 22:5; I Cor. 11: 14, 15).

Identification: God expects His people to declare plainly through their appearance that they are "seeking a country" and that, while they are in the world, they are not of the world (I Tim. 4:12; Rom. 12:1, 2; I John 2:15, 16; Heb. 11:13, 14). *Please remember that there will always be differing opinions.*



We believe there is a connection between actions and appearance and the way that dress impacts the moral and academic atmosphere of our school.

More detailed information concerning dress guidelines can be found in the Student Handbook.

Our Goals

We want to expose our students to God's direction for success—meditating upon His Word and applying it to every area of life. (Joshua 1:8; Eccles. 12:13, 14). With that goal in mind, we will continue to pursue the following objectives:

- ❖ Anchor our programs to the Bible with the full assurance that God will work in the lives of those students who attempt to glorify Him.
- ❖ Teach our students to practice in their daily habits what their homes and churches have instilled in their heads and what the Holy Spirit instills in their hearts (Psalm. 119:30-32).
- ❖ Provide a learning environment conducive to academic excellence by cutting down on educational distractions.
- ❖ Maintain a moral environment that minimizes temptations and encourages doing what is right and glorifying to God.
- ❖ Ensure a safe environment where children are protected, nurtured, and loved.
- ❖ Challenge our students to place God's glory and the eternal good of others before their own ambitions.
- ❖ Emphasize the importance of the local church in God's plan for the ages.
- ❖ Expose our students to a variety of Christians who are godly role models and who are salt and light in the world around them as citizens, employees, and neighbors.
- ❖ Endeavor to be sensitive to the specific beliefs of Christian homes with the understanding that in any Christian organization there needs to be flexibility in the area of *preference* for the good of the *whole* without the compromise of truly Biblical *conviction* on the part of individuals.

Statement of Faith

- * There is one God eternally existing in three persons—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.
- * The Holy Scriptures are verbally inspired of God and are our only infallible rule of faith and practice.
- * Jesus Christ died, shedding His blood for our sins, and was bodily raised from the dead for our justification.
- * He will return visibly and bodily with power and great glory.
- * Man is by nature and practice a sinner separated from God and can become God's child only by faith in Jesus Christ and submission to the will of God as revealed in the Gospel.
- * Those who are thus born into God's family have eternal life, and those who are not remain in spiritual death and will be separated from God forever in Hell.



- * The Holy Spirit lives in the believer and enables him to walk in purity of life and submission to the will of God.

- * The spiritual unity of believers is in our Lord Jesus Christ.



What value do you place on the following?

1. A moral and safe environment in which to learn
2. An education that acknowledges God in all ways
3. A school where students are taught to dress modestly
4. A place where students respect the authority of the teachers and administration
5. A place where students can look up to teachers as godly role models
6. A place where you don't have to worry about the literature your child will be given to read
7. A place where your child is free to learn about God and pray
8. A school that reinforces values and beliefs that you teach at home
9. Classrooms that are orderly and pleasant places to learn and grow
10. Textbooks that integrate God's truth into all subject matter



Communication with Parents

The Alamance Christian School website, www.alamancechristianschool.org, provides more detailed information that will assist in your evaluation of ACS as A Place to Grow for your child. Available online:

The Student Handbook
Faculty Profiles

Scholarship Information
Financial Information

InfoDirect

ACS utilizes InfoDirect as a tool to communicate with students and parents. Realizing that parental involvement is a vital part of a child's education, InfoDirect makes it easy to get the information you need to help your child excel. Parents are able to access information with a special password from any internet connection and view such things as the gradebook, homework, calendar of events, athletics, lunch menus, and the family financial account. It also provides parents with an easy email system for direct communication with the teachers. With InfoDirect you can always be in the know.

SchoolCast

Every family will be enrolled in SchoolCast which has the ability to notify all parents very quickly using phones, fax machines, email, pagers, and PDAs. Emergency and time sensitive information can be relayed to the parents within moments of activating the system. Reminders and special announcements are relayed to parents efficiently and effectively.

Alamance Christian School

Colors: Red, white and blue

Focus: *Finishing!* ("Doing my best for the glory of God and the eternal good of others.") II Chronicles 31:21 "And in every work that he began in the service of the house of God, and in the law, and in the commandments, to seek *his God*, he did it with *all his heart*, and prospered."

Mascot: Christian Warrior

Motto: "The Pursuit of Excellence Through Christ"

Verse: Colossians 3:23 "And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men."

Yearbook: The Alpha Mega

Accreditation

North Carolina Christian School Association



Application Procedure

1. Call, e-mail, or come by ACS to request an application
2. Return completed application & application fee
3. ACS will call to schedule an interview upon receipt of application

Please call us with any questions you may have. We will be glad to assist you in every way possible.

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