

PARENT STUDENT HANDBOOK



LIVING WATERS CHRISTIAN PREPARATORY SCHOOL

A FRESH VIEW OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Living Waters Christian Preparatory School is happy to share with you the opportunities for a quality Christian education for your student. The purpose of this parent/student handbook is to provide you with information as to the intent of our school and our expectations.

VISION

To inspire and empower academically and spiritually life-long learners with Christian principles for successful lives that glorify God.

MISSION STATEMENT

To partner with the community and parents in providing a quality education academically and spiritually empowering students to realize their God-given potential in a safe nurturing environment that glorifies God while respecting diverse cultural backgrounds.

MOTTO

Leaders, Intelligent On fire for the Lord and Nothing can Stop us! (LIONS)

SCHOOL VERSE

I can do all things through Christ which strengthen me. (Philippians 4:13)

SCHOOL COLORS

The school colors are blue and gold.



Living Waters Christian Preparatory School (LWCPS) is a great place for students to learn and grow.

We believe Christian education is designed to give students a knowledge of the world and skills to function faithfully in a capacity for which they are gifted, and all to the glory of God.

Our focus on education is approached from a Biblical perspective that acknowledges the sovereignty and authority of God while honoring His dominion in every aspect of life. Biblical education centers on the combination of superior academic and godly knowledge to enable a person to become an ambassador for Christ. All humans, including children, are created in the image of God and through Christian education have unlimited potential to fulfill their God given abilities.

We believe that a Christian School should provide a thorough academic education with high scholastic standards. We also believe that the uniqueness of the Christian School lies in the integration of the biblical perspective in all academic subjects. Christian Education empowers students with a knowledge of God and His created world.

Our biblical calling tells us that: "Whatever you do, do it all to the glory of God." This calling requires us to provide a rigorous academic curriculum which will prepare students for a lifetime. This strong, godly, solid foundation will enable students to be positive, productive, successful role models endowed for service to the Lord and mankind. Therefore, godly knowledge is essential for the development of wisdom and character.

Additionally, a Christian school should provide an atmosphere wherein the Christian Gospel, Christian morals, and Christian principles can be taught and practiced. To achieve this, Bible is included in the curriculum. Chapel, devotion, and prayer are also priorities within the school's schedule.

The Christian school is in partnership with the home to provide support and assistance in shaping a Christ-like view of truth and reality. While Living Waters Christian Preparatory School is here to assist, education is the responsibility of parent (s). These beliefs work their way into every aspect of the education offered at Living Waters Christian Preparatory School. Our desire is to help students realize their identity in Christ and prepare them for success in learning and in life.



We believe the Bible is the Word of God:

- All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. 2nd Timothy 3: 16-17.
- We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14)
- The Father is God (2 Corinthians 8:6), the Son is God (Isaiah 9:6; John 1:1, 14; Hebrews 1:8-10), and the Holy Spirit is God (Acts 5:3-4).
- We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-38).
- We believe in the Genesis account of creation and that it is to be accepted literally, that man was created directly in God's own image and not through evolution. (Genesis 1:26-27; 2:7).
- We believe that man sinned and, thereby, incurred physical death and spiritual death which is eternal separation from God; and that all human beings are born with a sinful nature. (Genesis 3:1-24; Roman 3:10)
- We believe God has provided salvation through offering His Son on the cross of Calvary and allowing His BLOOD to be shed to atone for our sins (Romans 3:25; Hebrews 9:22).
- We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins, as a sacrifice; in order to reconcile us to a right relationship with God. (I Cor. 15:1-8; Matthew 1:18-25; Phil. 2:5-9).
- We believe in the resurrection, in His ascension into heaven, and in His present life there for us. (Acts 1: 11; Roman 8:9,11)
- We believe in "that blessed hope," the return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. (Colossians 3:2-4; 1 John 2:15-17).
- We believe that all who receive by faith the Lord Jesus Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit and, thereby, become children of God. (Galatians 3:26; 2 Corinthians 6:18; Romans 8:14; 1 John 3: 1-2).
- Once saved we cannot be lost; we are eternally secure in Christ (John 3:16; Philippians 1:6; John 10:27-29; Romans 8:38-39).

This statement of faith is an overview of our beliefs. The Bible itself, as the inspired Word of God is the final authority concerning truth, morality, and the appropriate conduct of all men. It is the foundation of all our beliefs.



SCHOOL SCHEDULE

SCHOOL HOURS

School hours are from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. A student is considered tardy if they arrive 8:10 am or later. The school office hours are from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm and the school doors are open at 7:30 am for drop off/car riders. All students dropped off early will remain in a designated area until the start of the school day.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL SERVICES

Before/After School services as well as tutoring is available. This service is made available to assist our students and parents, with the understanding that parents may need to drop off and/or pick up their students outside of each full /normal day of school hours.

Before and after school hours are from 7:00 am until 8:00 am, and 3:00 pm until 6:00 pm respectively, on all full /normal school days. The Before and After School rate is \$10.00 per hour outside of full day/normal school hours. If a student is not picked up by 6:00 pm, there will be a \$2.00 late fee for each minute after 6:00 pm.

After school services are NOT provided for early release, half days, holidays, or staff professional days.

TUTORING

Tutoring will be offered by faculty members thirty (30) to forty-five (45) minutes sessions on a scheduled afternoon each week. The school may be able to provide a list of additional tutors, if needed.

CAMPUS VISITORS

All visitors MUST check in and sign in at the school office upon arrival. All visitors will receive a Visitor's Pass before going to any other areas on the school grounds. The "Visitor Pass" must be worn at all times while visiting the school and returned to the office upon leaving and signing out at the office.



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EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

In the event of emergency conditions, inclement weather, etc., Living Waters Christian Preparatory School will notify parents/guardian by text message using the contact information provided to the school and post a message on the school website. If the school dismisses or close early parents will be notified by staff and also by text.

EARLY DISMISSAL

Parents/Guardians may sign their children out earlier than the regular school dismissal time. The parents/guardians must report to the office to sign out a student and indicate the reason why they are picking up the student(s) prior to the end of the regular school day.



FINANCIAL POLICY

TUTITION

An investment in your child's education and development is invaluable. Tuition is due on the first of each month and is considered late if not received by the 10^{th} of each month. Some financial aid funds are available for use. The application for financial aid and the application for admission into the school are separate processes.

A late fee of \$25.00 is assessed each month if tuition is not paid by the due date.

Tuition for students registering on or after the first day of school will be prorated over the number of school days they will be enrolled and attending. All other fees must be paid on the appropriate due date.

OTHER FEES

Insufficient funds, closed account, and checks returned to the school will result in a \$35.00 insufficient funds/returned check fee.

All open balances on accounts must be paid in full prior to report cards and transcripts being released. Students may not attend class if accounts are more than 35 days in arrears.

DONATION/FUNDRAISING

Everyone is invited to participate in fundraising. All donations and fundraising are strongly encouraged and welcomed. In addition, donations in the form of gifts in kind, equipment, and supplies are also appreciated. These gifts aide the school meeting the needs of the school that tuition does not cover. These gifts also provide means to improve and develop infrastructure, expansion, improvements, and necessary operational resources.



ATTENDANCE

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Attending class on a regular basis is vital to the success of each student's school experience and life in general. Students are encouraged to be on time and prepared for class each day.

Parents and/or guardians will be notified of excessive absences, if a student has (10) or more absences per semester. Continued absences may result in disciplinary action.

TARINESS

Being punctual and on time is key to successful learning. When a student is tardy they miss important learning and concepts that has been taught. An accumulation of five or more tardiness will result in a note to the parents/guardian and may count for one day absent from school. The teachers will keep the record of tardiness for each student in the class and report same to the parents/guardians upon request.

ABSENCES

Absences are noted as excused or unexcused absences. However, when a student is not at school or in the event of an absence, a written note signed by the parent must be presented to the school office when the student returns to school. If a student is out for three (3) days or more a doctor's note is required for the student to be considered for an excused absence. The student is required to make up all work missed during the absence. It is the student's and/or the parent's/guardian's responsibility to contact the teacher to find out what the work the student missed during their absence. The student will have up to five (5) days to make up and turn in the work that he or she missed.

Parent(s)/guardian(s) may contact teachers directly for missed assignments, instead of the school office. The parent(s)/guardian(s) may also text their student's teacher to obtain the classwork that was missed during the time he/she was absent from school.



DRESS CODE

UNIFORMS

All students should dress appropriately at all times when attending school. Students are requested to wear the school uniform colors.

Male students may wear black, blue and khaki pants or shorts. All pants are to be worn securely around the student's waistline. Male students should wear red, white or blue shirts.

Female students may wear black, blue or khaki dresses, skirts pants or shorts. All shorts, dresses and skirts, must be at least mid thigh or longer with non see-through fabric in front, back and on the sides. All female tops must be red, white or blue blouses with non see-through fabric in front, back and on the sides.

Tank tops and spaghetti tops are not allowed.

Living Waters Christian Preparatory School admits all students entirely on a non-discriminatory basis and not to discriminate on the basis of race, creed, ancestry, marital status, gender, sexual orientation, age, physical disability, veteran's status, political service or affiliation, color, religion or national origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities available to Living Waters Christian Preparatory School students.