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# Dear Prospective Families,

Thank you for your interest and for prayerfully considering Augusta Christian Academy. Augusta Christian is an outreach ministry of Crossroads Baptist Church; the goal of this outreach ministry is to serve and support both Christian families from a variety of local churches, as well as a missions' opportunity to reach our unchurched community members.

At Augusta Christian, we look forward to establishing a solid biblical foundation for our students while creating a learning environment that supports not only the academic needs of students but creates a supportive nurturing environment to meet their social and emotional needs. We know and understand the need to support both the communication skills and problem-solving skills of our students. We believe in creating a high engaging environment where students will feel challenged, but also successful and where they are held to high expectations but supported to reach their maximum potential. All with our primary focus of sharing the love of Jesus and working to lead children to Christ. What a great way to impact our community!

Below you will find some basic information about our school. If you find you still have questions, please contact the school, or reference our website at www.acavirginia.org for more information. We will be hosting a several family information sessions from January through May. Please visit our website or follow us on social media for specific dates and times.

Augusta Christian Academy admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin. In accordance with Virginia state law, Kindergarten applicants must be age 5 by September 30<sup>th</sup>. If you feel your child is not ready to begin kindergarten, we are able to offer a pre-kindergarten program that will ensure your family meets such state education requirements.

# **Admissions and Enrollment**

All students must have a completed enrollment packet including a health physical prior to enrollment. Students who have not completed their enrollment will not be permitted to attend school until all components are received. If the enrollment is not complete by the 15<sup>th</sup> day of school, the student will be dropped from enrollment and forfeit their enrollment fees.

The enrollment packet includes:

Enrollment Application Health Forms Transfer Records if applicable Family Meeting with School Staff

# **School Fees and Tuition**

The enrollment fee is due at the time of the application submission. The Supply and Technology fee should be paid in full prior to the first day of school. A discount for school fees is not included in the financial aid package, nor is there a fee discount for siblings.



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 Fee
 Pre-School
 Kindergarten-4th Grade
 5<sup>th</sup> Grade-8<sup>th</sup> Grade

 Enrollment
 \$50.00
 \$50.00
 \$75.00

 Supply
 \$50.00
 \$125.00
 \$125.00

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Families may select to pay for tuition in the following forms: Families may select to pay for tuition in the following forms:

\$25.00

1 payment: August 1<sup>st</sup> FACTS Enrollment fee waived 2 payments: August 1<sup>st</sup> and February 1<sup>st</sup> FACTS Enrollment fee waived

10 monthly payments: August-May FACTS fee of \$55 (one time per family) 12 monthly payments. August-July FACTS fee of \$55 (one time per family)

### **Parent Orientation and Involvement**

Technology

Families are required to participate in a school Open House and Information Session. Sessions will be scheduled in small groups and individual sessions will be provided upon request from the family and/or school.

Each parent is should plan to volunteer for at least 10 hours throughout each school year. This may be served in any capacity throughout the school day or for a school event. We feel it is important for families to experience life at ACA firsthand.

#### **Notification of Acceptance or Waiting List**

When the application process is complete, the family will receive notification of acceptance. If a waitlist is necessary, the family will be contacted as soon as an opening is available. ACA admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.

# **Financial Assistance and Scholarships**

All families enrolled in Augusta Christian Academy are eligible and encouraged to apply for financial aid. Augusta Christian will utilize the FACTS Grant and Aid platform allowing families to submit information one time to have access to a variety of financial assistance from a variety of places. The Financial Aid Committee in cooperation with the Board, shall review applications for financial aid. All tuition discounts will be granted through the financial aid process to include discounts for school staff members and church members. The maximum amount of paid financial aid should not exceed 70% per family.

The FACTs Grant and Aid application will be available beginning March 1. There is a one time \$40 fee per family. If you have completed this application for another private school and have already established a family profile, you will not be charged.

#### **School Year**

ACA follows a traditional school year calendar with school beginning in Augusta and ending in May. ACA follows traditional and offers June Enrichment and Academic camps for students.

#### **School Hours**

Preschool hours: 8:30-12:00 (half day); 8:30-2:45 (full day)

Kindergarten-8<sup>th</sup> grade hours: 8:00-3:15



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Extended Care- 6:30 am-8:00 am; 3:15 pm-6:00 pm

#### **Extended Care**

Extended care is offered to all ACA students. Families may select to utilize AM Extended Care, PM Extended Care, or both. ACA Extended Care will be offered to non-ACA students if there are open spots following the registration of current ACA students. Current ACA students will have priority.

Families who register for consistent Extended Care will receive a discounted rate as compared to "drop in" care. All ACA families will have the option to utilize drop-in Extended Care.

# **Hot Meal Program**

ACA will offer breakfast, lunch, and one snack to all students. A monthly menu will be shared, and families may pay for meals through their family portal. Families can qualify for free and/or reduced meal rates.

#### **Dress Code**

Student dress code is expected to be modest and follow below guidelines:

- Shorts and skirts should be no higher than 2 inches above the knee. Undershorts should be worn with skirts.
- No mid-drifts.
- Leggings should only be worn in tops meet extend to 2 inches above the knee.
- No cut-off shirts.
- Sleeveless shirts should have straps with a width of at least two fingers.
- No graphics that promote, violence, substance abuse, profanity, or vulgarity.

Students are expected to wear ACA spirit wear on Fridays. ACA dress wear (khaki skirt or pants with collared shirt) should be worn on chapel days.

ACA dress wear and spirit wear can be ordered several times throughout the school year.