

**Valley
Christian
Academy**

**Parent
Handbook
2021-2022**

I. Introduction to Valley Christian Academy

Welcome

Welcome to the Valley Christian Academy community. 2021-2022 is sure to be an event-filled year and we look forward to experiencing it with your family. We are thrilled to be entering our second year of school, after an amazing, faith-filled launch. It is our belief that the Lord is doing amazing things amidst the chaos around us. It is also our belief that He has called us to be leaders in our community in the way that we raise and teach our children.

Our Vision

Valley Christian Academy is a homeschool cooperative with an *emphasis on classical academics and family involvement*. As parents we are called to bring up children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Valley Christian Academy is dedicated **to equip and empower parents and students to fulfill their purpose in Christ** by providing structure, edifying relationships, a rich foundation of Biblical truth and encouragement to walk in Spirit-filled service. Our goal is to provide a financially viable learning environment for all parents who value a Christ-centered upbringing for their children.

Our Philosophy

God-given parental authority, Scripture and a classical method, which takes into account the true nature of a child, is the foundation at Valley Christian Academy.

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

2 Timothy 3:16 says, "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness."

Jeremiah 6:16 says, "Thus says the Lord: "Stop by the roads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way is; and walk in it, and find rest for your souls..."

The term "classical" refers to the tried and true educational approach most common before the twelfth century. It was lost to mainstream culture as Darwinian ideas of the origin and substance of humans became popular "science." The former views man as created by a righteous God for His glory; the latter views man as an animal to be trained for the usefulness of the collective.

A classical education includes the seven liberal arts: Grammar, Logic, Rhetoric, Arithmetic, Geometry, Astronomy, and Music, which are implemented to form men and women characterized by wisdom, virtue and eloquence. "Classical" also refers to insights from

Dorothy Sayer's *"The Lost Tools of Learning"* where she observed that students tend to learn in stages that correspond to the first three liberal arts (Grammar, Logic, and Rhetoric).

In the **Grammar stage** (elementary), students enjoy singing, chanting, and reciting. Learning facts of various subjects like history, science, geography, math and music is enjoyable to this age group. They delight in the wonder of creation, in imitation and learn through literature and narrative.

In the **Logic stage** (middle school), students enjoy learning how all the facts fit together. They love to argue, analyze, identify fallacies and learn to present logical arguments.

In the **Rhetoric stage** (high school), students enjoy polishing their presentations. They desire to speak and write persuasively, using their words to eloquently instruct and delight. These three stages, identified by Sayers, are the primary focus of our Classical Method.

Statement of Faith

The Bible – It is God’s word to man. It is living and active. It is inspired, infallible, and authoritative (Hebrews 4:12; 2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21).

Jesus Christ – Jesus is the Messiah prophesied, the one and only begotten Son of God, the exact representation of God, fully human and fully God. He was born from a virgin, lived a sinless life, and He died and rose again to reconcile all people to God and to free them from the power of sin and the devil. He will return again to reign over His Kingdom (Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-38; Romans 9:5; Titus 2:13).

Sin – Sin was introduced into mankind through Adam, the first man. His sin enslaved the world and mankind to the power of the devil. All of mankind has sinned and the penalty is death, separation from God. Jesus Christ, God’s son, paid the penalty of sin to reconcile mankind to God. Everyone who repents and trusts in Jesus for forgiveness of sin is forgiven and free from the curse of sin and death (Romans 5:12-21, 6:23; Ephesians 2:1-5).

Salvation – Salvation is a free gift that comes from God through belief in Jesus; His finished work on the cross and His resurrection from the dead. Salvation is freedom from the power of sin & death for body, soul, & spirit (Romans 1:16; Ephesians 2:8-9).

God – The Godhead is Triune in nature manifested as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (John 1:1-2, 14; John 4:24; Acts 5:3-4; Ephesians 4:5-6; 2 Corinthians 13:14).

The Holy Spirit – Jesus baptizes the believer with the Holy Spirit into the body of Christ. The Holy Spirit sanctifies and purifies the believer. He draws believers to God and empowers them to be the witnesses of His Kingdom and resurrection (John 1:33; Acts 1:8; John 16:5-15; Titus 3:5; 1 Thessalonians 2:13; Romans 8:16, 23, 26, 27; 1 Corinthians 12:1-31).

Miracles/Healings – Miracles and healings were the works Jesus and His disciples demonstrated to confirm the good news about God’s Kingdom making its advance against the dominion of the devil. All believers today are empowered to demonstrate these works and thereby advance His Kingdom (Matthew 4:17, 23, 12:28, 28:19-20; John 9:4, 10:37; Mark 16:17-20; 1 Corinthians 12:9-10).

Ordinances - Jesus and the early church gave us two ordinances: Baptism and Communion. We hold fast to these ordinances and practice them in accordance with the truth.

Baptism - We believe water baptism is a physical representation of a spiritual reality where the believer identifies with the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Being raised into Newness of Life, Dead to Sin and Alive to God through Jesus Christ. We baptize believers in water into the name of Jesus according to Acts 2:38 - "Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Romans 6:3-4, 1 Peter 3:21-22).

Communion - Every Month as a Body we partake of communion, the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ as way of remembering the New Covenant we have been born into through the death, burial, resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ. We believe that the Blood of Jesus was offered for mankind for the forgiveness of sins and that the broken Body of Jesus was offered for the salvation and healing of mankind. As we partake in this holy ordinance it is important to judge ourselves rightly in light of the forgiveness and healing that is offered through His meal (Matthew 26:26-29, Mark 14:22-25, Luke 22:14-20, 1 Cor. 11:23-26).

Gospel of the Kingdom of God - As prophesied by Daniel, God's rule, authority, and realm was inaugurated by the incarnation of Jesus, our king. When He came, he preached a message about the coming of His Kingdom and demonstrated its advancement against the Kingdom of the enemy by healing the sick and casting out devils. He left the advancement of His Kingdom in the hands of the disciples with the expectation that this Gospel be taken all throughout the earth until the day He returns to receive His Kingdom (Daniel 2:44; John 18:36; Matthew 4:17, 23, 12:28; Revelation 11:15, 12:10).

Second Coming - In the ever-increasing government of God and in the hope, which is the return of Jesus Christ for believers. Heaven and hell are real places. There will be a resurrection of the saved and the lost, the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting death (Isaiah 9:7; Hebrews 9:28; Revelation 20:11-15; John 6:40; Luke 23:43; John 14:3).

Honoring the Biblical Family Unit

God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as male or female. These two distinct, complementary genders together, reflect the image and nature of God (Gen. 1:26-27).

Although sexual education is not part of the curriculum at VCA, we believe, in order to preserve the function and integrity of the community, and to provide biblical role models to families and students, it is necessary that all employees, volunteers, parents and students who participate at VCA adhere to the biblical design of marriage, gender, and sexuality (Matt 5:16; Phil 2:14-16; I Thess 5:22).

II. Educational Program

Curriculum by Grade for 2021-2022

Preschool/Kindergarten

Bible: Jesus Storybook Bible

History & Geography: Timeline, History Sentences, Presidents Song, Geography Terms, including the States and Capitols, Blob Mapping- continents and oceans and United States, "History Stories for Pilgrims" and "BeDe's Story of US"

Language Arts: Pentime Penmanship, English & Latin drills, Logic of English, dictation, poetry memorization, easy readers, picture books and chapter book read alouds

Math: Math drills, Rod and Staff Math

Science: Science drills, My Body & Weather

Music: Great Artists, Basic music theory, Song of the Month

Art: Drawing, Painting, Shapes & Colors

First/Second

Bible: NIV

History & Geography: Timeline, History Sentences, Presidents Song, Geography terms, including the States and Capitols. Blob Mapping the continents and oceans, and mapping the United States. "The Story of the World" and historical fiction.

Language Arts: Pentime Penmanship, English & Latin drills, Logic of English, Christian Light English, IEW, high quality literature and read alouds.

Math: Math drills, Rod and Staff 1/2

Science: Science drills My Body & Physical Science Notebook

Music: Great Artists Basic music theory, Song of the Month

Art: Drawing and Painting

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Third/Fourth

Bible: NIV

History & Geography: Timeline, History Sentences, Presidents song, Geography terms, including the States and capitols, Blob mapping- continents and oceans and United States, Our Star Spangled Story, "The Story of the World", historical fiction

Language Arts: English drills and Charts, Logic of English - Essentials, Christian Light English, IEW

Latin: Latin drills, Prima Latina Latin

Math: Math Drills, Rod and Staff Math 3/4

Science: Science drills, Apologia Science, Physics

Music: Great Artists, Basic music theory, Song of the Month

Art: Drawing and Painting

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Fifth/Sixth

Bible: NIV

History & Geography: Timeline, History Sentences, Presidents song, Geography terms, including the States and capitols, Blob mapping- continents and oceans and United States, "The Story of the World", historical fiction

Language Arts: English drills and Charts, Logic of English - Essentials, Christian Light English, IEW

Latin: Latin drills, Latina Christiana Latin

Math: Math Drills, Rod and Staff Math 5/6

Science: Science drills, Apologia Science

Music: Great Artists, Basic music theory, Song of the Month

Art: Drawing and Painting

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Seventh/Eighth

Bible: CSB

History & Geography: Timeline, History Sentences, *The Federalist Papers*, Constitutional Literacy

Language Arts: English drills and Charts, Christian Light English, "Fix It!", Lost Tools of Writing

Latin: Latin drills, First Form Latin

Math: Math Drills, Christian Light Pre-Algebra/ Algebra

Science: Science Experiments, Apologia Science

Music: Classical Music/Music Theory

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Elementary and Middle School Grading

Teachers will be grading students with the following guidelines:

- E = Excellent (exceeds goals)
- P = Praiseworthy (meets goals)
- S = Satisfactory (making progress, likely to reach goals)
- N = Needs Improvement (not enough progress to reach goals)
- U = Unsatisfactory (not making progress)

In addition to academics, students will receive feedback for Diligence, Obedience, Cheerfulness, and Kindness.

Parent Involvement

Because VCA exists to assist parents in their responsibility to bring up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, **parental involvement is a must**. We understand that each family dynamic is unique, so we offer several ways for parents to volunteer at VCA. For scheduling purposes, it is most helpful to commit on a consistent weekly or monthly basis.

Volunteer Opt-Out Fee

One parent from each family is required to commit to helping out for either 2 hours per week or 8 hours per month. It is the parent's responsibility to seek out volunteer opportunities. Contact the office to schedule your time slots. If work commitments, etc. make volunteering impossible, we may have at home opportunities available. There is an Opt-out fee for those who choose not to volunteer. For the 2021-2022 year the opt-out fee is \$1,000/yr or \$100 per month. This is the second-best option; we prefer parent participation.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Classroom helpers
- Lunch monitors
- Field trip chaperones
- Administrative tasks
- Supply prep (from home)
- Professional services
- Coaching/Specialty classes
- Miscellaneous needs

Parent Orientation is held before the start of school each year.

- **This year (2021) Parent Tour/Orientation night will be held on Thursday, August 19th at 7 PM at Valley Church.**

Parent-Teacher Meetings will be held once a semester. This will be announced a month before it is to happen so that parents/guardians have a chance to schedule time with the teachers.

Discipline

To follow Jesus is to submit to Him and His authority. Teaching children to yield to God-given authority and cultivating an obedient spirit prepares them to bend their will to Jesus. Discipline cultivates faith and strength. It is necessary to live a life of worship (service).

At VCA, the focus of all discipline is to maintain an orderly environment conducive to learning in the classroom. Well-disciplined children bring honor to the Lord and their parents and are a positive reflection of our community. When a student understands and loves a standard, he cheerfully and willingly submits to it. It is not about conforming to a set of rules. Rather, it is about seeking God's heart – out of which righteous acts will flow.

Because stewardship and safety are a top priority, we intend the following guidelines to help parents understand the expectations at Valley Christian Academy so we can be an example of Godly behavior in our community.

Expectations of Students

1. **Respect for adults:** Students are to respond to adults with respectful speech and behavior. It is unacceptable to defy instruction or correction. Students should respond cheerfully when asked to do something.
2. **Respect for Others:** We encourage children to think before they speak so they can find encouraging things to say to others. Unkind or crude speech is sinful and will not be tolerated. Children are expected to pay attention to their surroundings. Pushing past adults or other children, overpowering others vocally or physically, and disregarding others around them is discouraged.
3. **Respect for Property:** Children are expected to respect the facility and property of others.
 - a. Walk – Don't Run. Especially in the presence of elderly and small children.
 - b. No roughhousing inside.
 - c. No climbing on furniture or staircase
 - d. Outside the building children are expected to be aware of others, acting appropriately to the situation. Energetic play and running is encouraged as long as the activities do not harm others, cause damage or leave a mess.
 - e. Leave everything cleaner than you found them, including restrooms.
 - f. Eating or drinking should only be done in designated areas and with permission.
4. **Classroom guidelines:**
 - a. Students should not interrupt the teacher or speak out of turn. Raising their hand is the appropriate way to get the teacher's attention.
 - b. Bad language or any unkindness toward others will not be tolerated.
 - c. Disobedience or delayed obedience will be corrected.
 - d. Hitting, spitting or any other similar actions will result in removal from class.
5. **Student Guilds**
 - a. Students will be assigned a "guild" or team. The team will consist of older leaders and younger helpers.
 - b. The guilds will perform basic clean up duties around the school to teach leadership skills, ownership of our school, and serving others.
 - c. Guilds participate in fun team building activities to learn to work together, and build trust.

Repeated disregard of others, disobedience, harm to others, destruction of property, lying, cheating, or bad language will result in dismissal, suspension or expulsion from VCA. Administration will meet with parents to help parents resolve problems first before suspension or expulsion. Dismissal from the school day may occur without notice depending on the infraction. Parents will need to get their student immediately if this happens.

Parents, Concerns, and School Improvement

As we work together to improve our school environment, we value parent insight. With that being said, we ask parents to involve themselves in a way that resolves concerns Biblically. If parents have concerns, please follow these guidelines:

1. Address the issue or concern with the parent or teacher or whomever is directly involved. This is the Biblical process of resolving conflicts, even though it may seem uncomfortable. Going to administration before addressing the conflict directly hinders relationship. It's better to speak directly with those who have first-hand knowledge of the situation, as a Director rarely does.
 - a. Matt 18:15-17 says, "If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses'..."
 - b. Prov 18:2 says, "The first to present his case seems right, until another comes forward and questions him."
2. Once the teacher (or other person) has had sufficient time to respond to a concern, contacting the Director would be the next step. The Director will ask if you have spoken with the other party.
3. Please do not discuss the problem with other parents unless they are directly involved. Although this may be done with the best of intentions, it is important to avoid gossip and to promote unity by honoring others in the same way you would like to be honored.

When to Come Directly to Administration:

1. If you observe clearly unethical or illegal acts
2. If your concern is an issue of policy, not the teacher...ex: dress code concerns.
3. If you observe a dangerous situation or a security issue.
4. If the issue is personal and not suited for the teacher or others to know, like an impending divorce.

Correction as a Community

Discipline should be, for the most part, positive. We encourage those working with children to be quick to give positive encouragement for good behavior. A firm, gentle attitude is expected when dealing with bad behavior. As a community, we ask parents to support adults who are correcting their children in this way. During school events, please do your part to help monitor students when they seem unsupervised. When you see behavior that is concerning, please intervene and seek out the child's parents.

III. Admission and Tuition

Admission Process

Valley Christian Academy was established to provide a Christ-centered, Spirit-filled, biblically based, classical education for families that desire this kind of education for their children. If parents agree with the *Vision, Statement of Faith*, and the *policies of VCA*, they may follow the steps below to enroll their students.

Admissions Procedures

1. Schedule an interview and tour the School. Parents and students must attend.
2. Complete admissions packet and turn in with registration fee before deadline.
3. Complete placement tests if requested.
4. After acceptance, parents must attend the parent orientation meeting.
5. If your student is not accepted, you will be notified of the reasons.

Enrollment Procedures

1. Make every effort to understand the policies and procedures in the "Parent Handbook." You must accept and commit to the things set forth in this handbook.
2. Return signed and dated:
 - a. Completed Application for Enrollment with both parents' signatures
 - b. Signed Parent Commitment form
 - c. Signed Statement of Faith
 - d. Student Pick Up Information Sheet
 - e. Financial Agreement
 - f. Release of Liability Form
 - g. Field Trip Parent Authorization
 - h. Health Profile
 - i. Media Consent and Release Form
 - j. Permission to Administer Medications

Basic Qualifications for Admittance

Kindergarten

Children around 5 years old capable of following directions, with good fine motor skills, and some understanding of the alphabet and numbers will be considered. An interview with an administrator may be needed to gauge readiness for our learning program.

Levels 1 – 8

Children's ages may vary but all children must have a basic knowledge of reading according to their level. Reading, Writing, Math and English placement tests need to be completed to determine class level.

Tuition and Fees 2021-2022

Tuition is to be paid in advance for the month on the first of that month.

REGISTRATION FEE	\$100.00 per family (non-refundable)
SUPPLY FEE	\$125.00 per student
CURRICULUM FEE	K-2nd \$250.00 3rd-6th \$400.00 7th-8th \$550.00

PARENT VOLUNTEER 80 HRS OR OPT-OUT FEE (\$1,000.00 per family/year)
(2 hrs a week, 4 hours every other week, or 8 hours per month)

Monthly Tuition

Can be paid over 10 or 12 months

	<u>Yearly Tuition:</u>
Kindergarten-4 th Grade	\$3350
5 th -8 th Grade	\$3650

- Each Additional Child up to 4th Child: 10% Discount based on previous child's tuition with the highest level starting at the full tuition rate. For example, if your first child is in 5th grade, you pay \$3650. For next child in 2nd grade you would pay \$3000 (-10% \$335). For the next child in 1st grade you would pay \$2700 (-10% \$300) and so on.
- 5th Child and up is \$150 per month
- Members of Valley Church receive a 5% discount
- Yearly tuition paid in full receives a 5% discount

Your child's tuition may be paid either: in-full at the beginning of the school year, on the 1st of each month during the school year, or as a 12-month plan. (Contact us if an alternate payment plan is desired.)

Pay in-full	--Due August 01, 2021
Pay on the 1 st of each month	--Due August 31, 2021 – May 1, 2022
Pay in 12 months	--Due July 01, 2021- June 01,2022

Non-refundable registration fee of \$100 is due with the application. Supply fee is due with the first tuition payment. Curriculum fee is due July 1, 2021.

Payments: Tuition payments are due in full on the 1st of each month. There is a \$25 late fee for payments which are not received by the 10th. If the account becomes delinquent at any time during the school year, please communicate with the Director about financial issues. If your account becomes 30 days past due we may require you to take your child out of VCA until your account is paid in full, unless other arrangements have been made.

Volunteer Opt-Out Fee

The role of volunteers at VCA helps cover practical needs and allows us to keep tuition as low as possible. Volunteering is also an invaluable way to invest in the lives of your children and the VCA community. There is an Opt-out fee for those who are not able, or choose not to, volunteer. The opt-out fee for 2021-2022 is \$100 per month. If you have questions about volunteering, please do not hesitate to call the office: 208-459-9133.

Late Pick-Up Fee

There is a \$5 charge for every 15 minutes for children who are picked up late after school dismissal unless other arrangements have been made.

Field Trip Fees

We will go on a variety of field trips throughout the year, generally 3 each year. Parents will receive information about the field trip and any applicable costs before the trip.

Early Withdrawal

Parents who withdraw their students before the end of the year will be responsible for the next month's tuition. Yearly refunds will be prorated accordingly.

IV. Schedules and Calendar

On-Campus Days

VCA on-campus days are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00-3:00.

Sample School Day:

5th-6th grade

9:00	Arrive/Opening Prayer, Community Memory Verses and Pledge
9:10	Memory Verse Activity/Books of the Bible song Bible Reading and Discussion
9:35	Claritas Memory/Review Math Drills Math Lesson/Games
10:35	Break/Snack
10:50	Grammar Drills/Review English Lesson Logic of English Essentials/Spelling
12:00	Lunch
1:00	Reading/Literature/Improv (1 st & 3 rd Thursdays) IEW Writing
1:55	History Lesson/Activity/Geography- Tu and Th History Drills/Timeline/Geography- W and F
2:25	Science Drills/Scientific Method song Science Lesson/Art/Music
3:00	Dismiss

At-Home Days

VCA at-home days are Monday and Friday. Homework assignments for Mondays and Fridays will be given to students each Thursday. Recommended at-home work time for each grade level are as follows:

- Kindergarten 30 min
- First/Second Grade 1-1.5 hrs
- Third/Fourth Grade 2-3 hrs
- Fifth/Sixth Grade 2.5-4 hrs
- Seventh/Eighth 3-4.5 hrs

Yearly Calendar 2021-2022

Aug 24	(Tues)	First Day of School
Sept 6	(Mon)	Labor Day (No School)
Oct 11	(Mon)	Columbus Day (No School)
Nov 22-26	(Mon-Fri)	Thanksgiving (No School)
Dec 20-Jan 3	(2 weeks)	Christmas Break (No School)
Jan 1	(Sat)	New Years (No School)
Jan 17	(Mon)	Martin Luther King Jr Day (No School)
Feb 21	(Mon)	Presidents Day (No School)
Mar 21 - 25	(Week)	Spring Break (No School)
May 26	(Thur)	Last Day of School (Half Day)

36 School Weeks/172 School Days

Assemblies

We will be having assemblies once a quart. This will happen at the end of every 9 weeks. The assemblies schedule will be as follows for the 2021-2022 VCA year:

October 21st – end of 1st quarter, **January 13th** – end of 2nd quarter,

March 17th – end of 3rd quarter **May 24th** – end of 4th quarter/end of school year assemble.

Chapel

Chapel will be on the first Tuesday of every month. This will be for students and teachers only. Worship will be led by our worship pastor, Pastor Christie Hardy and a short message by a Staff Pastor or a special guest.

Holidays

VCA will be exploring the Biblical Holidays in order to learn more about the cultural context of the Bible. We do not acknowledge or celebrate Halloween as a school.

Snow Days/School Closures

VCA follows the same Snow-Day policy/criteria as Caldwell School District. We do not call each family when there is a snow day. Please check online to see if school is cancelled because of snow. If school is cancelled because of an unusual or emergency event, parents will be notified.

Absences

Absences need to be excused. When a student misses class, it is the parent's responsibility to obtain homework so the student can keep up with the class. Please contact the teacher to make arrangements for assignments and to pick up any books the student needs.

V. Health and Safety

Health Policy

Students should be kept home if:

- Fever, diarrhea, or vomiting within last 24 hours
- Severe coughing or runny nose
- Other symptoms of a contagious disease
- Head lice, nits or bugs present on head

Students with minor cold symptoms may attend class. If a student's symptoms prevent him from being able to focus, parents will be called to come get him early.

Vaccinations

VCA is not an accredited school. Instead, we are a home school cooperative, run by parents and funded by tuition, donations, fundraisers, and the gracious support of Valley Church. Therefore, we are not required to keep vaccination records. It is the responsibility of parents to research the risks and benefits of any medical procedure suggested for their children and their right to make such decisions. We will not require documentation of vaccinations nor inform anyone of vaccination status of students.

Drop Off/Pick Up & parking Lot Guidelines

Drop off: Children are to be dropped off at the first double doors after you enter the roundabout. Please do not stop and get out of your car. That location is for drop off only. If you need to park, please park in the parking lot.

Pick up: After school, line up in front of main church doors under carport. Please do not stop and get out of your car. That location is for pick up only. A parent volunteer or staff member will escort your student to your vehicle. If you need to park, please the parking lot.

Visitors

VCA welcomes adult family members to the classroom. If parents, grandparents, or other adult relatives want to visit (at times other than their regularly scheduled volunteer hours or Assembly), they should notify the teacher in advance. Non-relative adults will be allowed to visit on a case-by-case basis with permission from the parent and the teacher.

Personal Belongings/Electronic Devices

Students may not bring the following to school: Electronic devices, toys, games (except approved for lunch time), candy/gum, or any other items restricted by the teacher. If a permitted personal item (jewelry, hair accessories) becomes a distraction, the teacher may ask the students to put them away.

Cell phones are not allowed during school. If they are observed, they will be confiscated and given to a parent after school. If problem persists, further disciplinary action will be considered.

VI. Dress Code

Dress Code Goals

The intention of our dress code is to:

- Glorify God
- Create an atmosphere that promotes diligent study.
- Give students confidence in their appearance.
- Be easy for Parents to obtain.
- Be easy for teachers to enforce

Dress Code Enforcement

Teachers will enforce the dress code in their classrooms, at their discretion.

VCA Dress Code	
Kindergarten – 8th Grade: BOYS	
Normal Uniform:	Dress-Up:
Pants or Shorts. Solid-colored Khaki, Black or Navy Blue. Shorts are permitted Aug-Sept and April-June.	Pants. Solid-colored Khaki, Navy blue or Black.
Polo Shirt. Solid-colored polos	Oxford Shirt. (Button-down)
Shoes. Closed-toed, socks required	Shoes. Closed-toed, socks required
Sweater or vests. <i>Optional</i> for cold weather. Matching and in good taste, worn over polo shirt	Sweater or Vests. <i>Optional</i> for cold weather. Matching and in good taste, worn over oxford shirt

Kindergarten – 8th Grade: GIRLS	
Normal Uniform:	Dress-Up:
Pants, Skirts, Uniform Style Jumper. Solid-colored Khaki, Black or Navy Blue. Skirts must have shorts or tights underneath.	Pants, Skirts, Jumpers, Dresses. Must have shorts or tights underneath skirts or dresses
Polo Shirt or Polo Dress. Solid-colored polos	Dress shirts or blouses that are in good taste
Shoes. Seasonally appropriate	Shoes. Seasonally appropriate
Sweater or vests. <i>Optional</i> for cold weather. Matching and in good taste, worn over polo shirt	Sweater or vests. <i>Optional</i> for cold weather.

Dress Code Clarifications

1. All clothing, including socks and tights, should be clean and in good repair. No jeans are allowed.
2. Coats may not be worn in class. In colder weather, sweaters or vests should be worn.
3. Hair must be neat and tidy and not in the eyes. Boy’s hair must not cover their ears, be over their collar, or be in their eyes. Hair color should be a natural hue.
4. Earrings are permitted for girls. All other piercings are prohibited.
5. Girls’ skirts, jumpers and dresses should be modest and have shorts, leggings or tights underneath. Leggings are not considered pants and should only be worn under skirts or dresses.
6. Shoes should be close-toed. No flip-flops (nothing distracting, please)
7. Please write names clearly on inside of garments, especially coats and sweaters.

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