

REASONS TO CONSIDER NORTHWOODS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

As a former student of NCA, why I would encourage parents to send their child to NCA

I graduated from NCA in 2012 and am currently working for the Michigan State Police. I truly believe that my time at NCA played a large part in where I am today. There was a strong level of accountability and desire for growth from the teachers in my academic success as well as establishing Biblical values. They not only focused on our academic and Biblical knowledge but how to apply what we have learned throughout the different aspects of our lives so that we could carry it into our future.

I believe it is very important today for parents to look at where they are going to send their children for eight hours a day in their developmental years, learning and growing. I believe NCA is a great place for teaching and learning in a setting that maintains our values and focuses on the success of their students not only academically but spiritually and morally.

I graduated from NCA in 2011, went on to attend Gogebic Community College, and then University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.

NCA made a positive impact on my life by giving me a solid foundation academically and as a person. NCA was the perfect school for me to be able to excel in my academics. I had the opportunity to work independently at my own pace, and thanks to small class sizes, I could get help whenever I needed it. My teachers always went out of their way to challenge me and help me succeed in my education. They also helped me to grow and mature as a person. I was strengthened in my faith and given the background I needed to thrive as I transitioned into a public school and adulthood.

I recommend NCA to others based on the school's academic excellence and faith-based setting. If a student is looking for a place to grow in their faith while receiving a high-quality education, NCA is a great fit.

I attended Northwoods Christian Academy from Kindergarten through 12th Grade. It was truly a blessing to attend a school centered around Christ with encouraging and loving teachers, who have continued to support and encourage me spiritually and intellectually to this day.

I attended NCA from grades K-6 and thereafter transferred to a public school where I graduated as the valedictorian of my class. Currently, I am a sophomore in college with the overall goal of obtaining my Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering.

NCA laid the solid groundwork that I've built upon throughout the years. The faith-based morals and standards helped me stand firm in my faith and not waver in the situations I was placed in at a public school. I know that my teachers always had my best interest at heart and were willing to do whatever they could to ensure that I was getting the most out of my education. Overall, NCA prepared me for my future by helping to foster my creativity, eagerness to learn, and my walk with Jesus.

I would highly recommend NCA, as they offer a safe haven for children to learn and grow both in their educational and spiritual journey. NCA helps equip their students with a solid foundation and a purpose.

Why I sent my child to Northwoods Christian Academy

We have always believed that parents are responsible to raise and train their children in obedience to God's principles in His Word. NCA was the best option in schooling them academically outside of our home.

Teaching academics with a Biblical worldview, teachers who were Godly role models, positive peer pressure among students, the opportunity for prayer in school, individual attention with small class sizes were some important factors that made NCA our choice in educating our children.

We are thankful that NCA was there for us, and we desire to help keep it available for those families who desire the same wonderful education for their children.

Our babies: we turn around once, and they are ready for school! We trust that God will keep them safe, but we worry about how this exposure to the world might influence them, might harm them in any way. It was such a blessing to know that by sending our children to NCA, their school family would include other Christian families and teachers who would include God's word in every lesson and work with each student, individually, to help them achieve excellence. Our two girls attended NCA from K - 12 and learned, grew, and matured in this environment: in character, academics, and spirit. In addition, they were well prepared for college and independent living.

We were introduced to Northwoods Christian Academy in 1996. We realized the public school was not going to work for our son after he completed the kindergarten program. I have been a parent, Head Parent, and Board Member as President and Treasurer.

Both of our children graduated from NCA, and we believe NCA was the best schooling they could have had. To have a school that has God's Word permeating not only the academics, but also everyday life lessons is a huge blessing.

We witness the blessings our children enjoy as they have followed God's Word that was taught them both at home and at NCA. We are very thankful that we had this school for our children, and now for our grandchildren.

After some negative experiences in the public school, we knew the positivity of NCA would be the right influence for our kids. We wanted a biblical worldview.

The teachers truly cared, showing love and instruction. It was great knowing all subjects were supported with the Bible. The teachers reiterated the importance of prayer, reading your Bible, and having a personal relationship with Christ.

Being a multi-age classroom boosts social skills, builds self-confidence, and offers a real-world experience; as well, it offers better chances for kids to be challenged.

As a teacher, why I would encourage teachers to join NCA's staff

Teaching at NCA for the last 15 years has been both a ministry and a gift. Education has been the path that the Lord has led me on for more than 30 years. After sub-teaching in the public schools for many years while waiting for a job to open in my field and praying for God to show me where He wanted me to be, I was eventually led to homeschool my own children. I recognized later that all of this was the way that the Lord prepared me for the ministry of teaching at NCA...in His timing.

The years at NCA have been such a precious gift in allowing me to freely include the Word of God in every aspect of the learning environment. Teaching Bible class each year has also been a gift to both my students and me as we have grown together in our relationship with Jesus. This is the ministry that Jesus has prepared me for and led me to. It has been a privilege to know that I am serving Him by planting seeds in my students, and I have been blessed with watching Him give those seeds increase in a variety of ways.

Smaller teacher/student ratios have allowed us to give our students one-on-one time that would not have been possible at the public schools, and our students have been well prepared for both college (when NCA still had grades 9 through 12), and high school. They have also been given the tools to live and share the Word as they either continue their education or continue in whatever path that the Lord has for them.

I encourage any teachers who would like to serve the Lord, and who believe that this is the path that the Lord is leading them on, to join us at NCA!

I have always loved working with and teaching children in Sunday School, youth group and Awana Clubs. In the Lord's timing, I was able to further my academic education and have been actively involved with NCA for fifteen years. I've taught children from kindergarten through 6th grade at NCA. What a blessing it is to teach God's Word! There is no greater wisdom than the wisdom they'll receive from the Bible. God's Word can be found in the pages of our Spelling, English, Reading, Math, Phonics, Handwriting, History and Science curriculum. God has created, blessed, and gifted each one individually and has a purpose and a plan for each child. We continue to depend on God to meet all of our needs at NCA.

When needed, we are able to give one-on-one instruction because of our smaller class size. Children are full of questions readily giving smiles and, if we're fortunate, hugs! As a school, the children are together for chapel, lunch, and recess. Each teacher and child are an important part of the whole of NCA.

There are a couple of verses that express my desire to teach and serve God at the same time. Psalm 37:4-5 "Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord, Trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass."

If your desire is to serve God and teach children, please consider teaching at NCA.

I have been greatly blessed to be able to teach math at many levels at Northwoods Christian Academy, and science when we had a high school. Math and science exemplify the marvelous order with which God created the world. To be able to freely share how God relates to every aspect of our life is a great privilege and very rewarding. If you have a desire to teach and reach children with the love of God, please consider NCA as a place to share your talents.