

# King's Light Christian Academy

## a Hybrid High School



***Partnering with parents to educate with excellence and prepare students to walk worthy, impacting the world for Christ.***



8233 Sperryville Pike  
Culpeper Virginia



# Founders



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# Introduction to the Founders

Jason and Teresa Murnock have been married for 18 years and are originally from PA. They moved to VA when Jason received his position at a local environmental firm after receiving his Master's degree at Gannon University. Jason has been employed at this firm for 19 years and was fortunate to make partner before the company was acquired by a firm based in Texas. He now operates as the Client Solutions Manager for VA.

Teresa was a traveling radiologic technologist and when they married in 2003, she took a position at Culpeper Medical Center. She had been employed there for 18 years. She cross-trained in MRI and was a Clinical Instructor for x-ray students. She also has an artistic, design/build talent and ran a professional cake business for 7 years from a certified kitchen they built in their home.

They are proud parents to two children. Evony, their daughter, is 16, and their son, Ethan, is 14. They have homeschooled their children from day one, which has given them extensive experience in different variations of curriculum and teaching environments.

Teresa and Jason have both been active in Christian ministry. Teresa has participated in children and youth ministry for 12 years and leads various bible studies for women's groups as well. Jason has participated in music ministry, men's groups, youth ministry, and service ministries.



# Introduction to the Co-Founder

Aniscia Bellusci is from the Bay Area, CA, and Craig is from WA. After meeting in CA, Craig reentered the armed forces as a Green Beret and they moved to Ft. Bragg, NC, where he retired after 20+ yrs of service. Aniscia went into clinical nursing only to find out her passion was for paperwork, and she became certified in medical records. They have two children: Justin, soon to be 20, and a daughter, Jordan, age 18.

They did not homeschool originally, until they were told taking their son out of school to see his dad returning home from war would be an unexcused absence. After retirement, they moved to VA where Craig works in Government contracting.

Together, they've helped start a church with Aniscia as administration and youth director. Aniscia is co-leader of a local mission group, Hope for Appalachia; she has served on the board of a local co-op group as treasurer; and she is serving as the administrator and children's ministry director of her local church at Mountain Ridge Community, where they love large.



# Introduction to Hybrid Structure



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# Key Benefits Behind KLCA's Hybrid Structure

## Benefits of On Campus Schooling

- Scholastically-trained teachers
- Community of peers
- Greater time in community

## Benefits of Satellite (At Home) Schooling

- Parental oversight, encouragement and guidance
- Flexibility of schedule
- Customized education

# What is a Hybrid School?

- Combines the best attributes of on campus schooling with satellite schooling:
  - Meet 3 days per week on campus
  - Courses incorporate a teacher knowledgeable in the subject
    - Beneficial for the increasing complexity of High School courses
  - But **far less expensive** than a traditional private high school
    - An existing host Church is the primary facility = major savings on real estate, utilities, etc.
    - Fewer staff, and part-time teachers as opposed to full-time
  - Curriculum is private school-based and online
    - Gives each student the resources to succeed and less burden on teachers
    - **Parents are the coaches!**

# Inspiration for Parents (Coaches)

- Scripture Concept: Parents as Educators

- **Dt. 6:6-7.** *These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.*
- **Pr. 22:6.** *Start your children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old, they will not turn from it.*
- **Eph 4:11.** *Christ Himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity and faith and knowledge in the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.*



# Why is KLCA Needed?



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# Justification for Hybrid Christian High School

- Private Schools / Co-Ops in Culpeper
  - Traditional, Christian schools
    - Culpeper Christian School
    - Epiphany Catholic School
    - Banner Christian School
  - Homeschooling cooperatives, meeting once per week
    - Classical Conversations
    - Blue Roof
    - Grace
    - Champions For Christ
  - **Total of 30+** eighth graders in private traditional elementary education
    - Doesn't include those fully homeschooled (not participating in a co-op)
    - There are hundreds of homeschooling families in Culpeper and surrounding counties
      - ex. 500+ members currently in the Facebook group, "Homeschooling in Culpeper"



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# King's Light Christian Academy

- 1. KLCA uses the patented and successful **University-Model**®
  - The University-Model® (UM) combines the best attributes of traditional schooling with the best attributes of homeschooling and integrates them into one model.
  - The result is quality, cost-effective, preparatory education that gives parents more time for imparting their own faith and values to their children.
  - In partnership with one another, parents and KLCA work together toward a mutual goal: to produce wholesome, competent, and virtuous followers of Christ who will change the world for the better within their generation.
    - University-Model School International (UMSI): <https://umsi.org/>
  - There are 2 fairly local and successful UM schools currently:
    - Warrenton: Covenant Christian Academy
    - Stafford: Grace Preparatory



# King's Light Christian Academy

- 2. KLCA will be **accredited**

- The University-Model<sup>®</sup> is accredited through **Cognia**, the largest community of education professionals in the world.
- UMSI exists to help parents and others start University-Model<sup>®</sup> schools in their communities, and support them with training, resources, onsite visits, school certification, and **consultant services for accreditation**.



Knowledge is  
Opportunity



# King's Light Christian Academy

- 3. KLCA will utilize a powerful, renowned curriculum
  - The School will utilize **Ignitia**, the newest high school curriculum by Alpha Omega Publications®, a leading provider of Christian curriculum / online Christian courses.
  - Ignitia is a versatile accredited **online** Christian curriculum and learning management system with dynamic, Christ-centered lessons and a wide variety of features to support academic achievement among diverse learners, while equipping teachers with practical instructional support tools of their own.
    - Online means no hard copy books (unless students prefer to print their own)
- Resources
  - Alpha Omega Publications: <https://www.aopschools.com/curriculum/ignitia/>
  - Video: *An In Depth Look at the Benefits of Ignitia*:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tWDQafjNUgM>



# Curriculum Options



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# Core Courses Offered by KLCA Teachers

- Bible- New Testament, Old Testament, Survey of Church History
- Math – Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2
- English – English 1, English 2, English 3
- History/Geography – World Geography, World History, Economics
- Science – Integrated Physics and Chemistry, Biology, Chemistry
- Language – Spanish (if staff position filled, otherwise this will be an online option)
- Elective – PE required



# Alternative Core Classes, Honors, AP and Electives/Career and Technical Classes

- Independent study, fully online with access to teachers and class recordings
- Reports are monitored and recorded by KLCA Dean of Academics
- \$325 per semester for AP and World Languages (Covers the online license cost per student.)
- \$295 for alternative core classes, honors, and C & T (Covers the online license cost per student.)



# What is a University-Model School?



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# Jumpstart from UMSI and NAUMS

- The University-Model<sup>®</sup>, UMSI and NAUMS
  - UMSI: University-Model School International (UMSI)
  - NAUMS: National Association of University-Model Schools...d/b/a UMSI
    - Founded in 2002
    - Promote University-Model schooling in the United States
    - Assist existing and developing University-Model School **Communities**
  - A University-Model<sup>®</sup> school is an accredited Christian, **higher-education focused** (college or vocational) school which blends aspects of private and homeschooling.
  - **UMSI exists to help communities start these unique, hybrid schools** and we are happy to be new members

# Jumpstart from UMSI and NAUMS

- The University-Model<sup>®</sup>, UMSI and NAUMS

- UMSI is an educational community of Christ followers, called together by God's grace, to make disciples by partnering with Christian parents in a manner beyond what can be done in traditional schools.
- Main objectives are:
  - To preserve and strengthen God-ordained family relationships
  - Offer the opportunity to achieve a high degree of academic excellence
- Success of this model is the integration of a biblically-based, parent-guided, Christian faith, and a sound teacher-facilitated academic environment

*"Parents are the key, the character of Christ is the goal, education is the means, and excellence the standard in every University-Model<sup>®</sup> community." -UMSI*



# KLCA Logistics



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# Logistics

- 1st day of class: August 29th, 2022
- Traditional school year, August through June
- Follows accreditation guidelines through policies and procedures
- 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> Grades in 2022; 12<sup>th</sup> Grade will be added in 2023
- Teachers for each core class
- Classes are on campus Mon, Wed & Fri, ~8:00 am – 4:00 pm
  - Via satellite / home on Tue & Thu
- Location: New Salem Baptist Church, 8233 Sperryville Pike, Culpeper

# Logistics

- New Salem Baptist Church has:
  - Separate classroom area from other uses of the church (for security)
  - Ample internet bandwidth
  - Separate space for lunch (~11am – 1pm)
  - Outdoor space for community time and PE
- Teachers will have:
  - An authentic faith in Jesus Christ and Christian principles, and their life will reflect their relationship with our Father
  - Proficiency in education
  - A passion for inspiring and teaching youth



# Dress Code

- Intended to honor God and disciple students
  - Encourages modesty, decency, and propriety,
  - De-emphasizes clothing as a means of establishing self-identity and gaining attention / status
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- General dress clothes; no form fitting tops or bottoms
  - T-shirts and sweatshirts with a Christian theme are allowed
  - Reference Old Navy or Walmart school uniform sites:  
[www.oldnavy.gap.com](http://www.oldnavy.gap.com) search “uniform”  
[www.Walmart.com](http://www.Walmart.com) search “uniform”

# Examples



# Athletics & Extra Curricular Activities

- KLCA encourages students to participate in local athletics and extracurricular activities while we develop our own internal program
- Examples include:
  - Rugby
  - Flag football
  - Basketball
  - Soccer
  - Chess
  - Robotics
  - Theater
  - (Open to Suggestions)





# Tuition



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# Tuition

- Tuition is presently estimated at **\$5,200/student/year**
  - Includes 5 core and 2 elective subjects
    - Core: Bible, English, Math, Science, World History, Spanish and PE
  - Access to fully online courses (additional \$295 or \$325 a course per semester)
  - Field trips and special events at additional cost
  - Does not include one time admission fee (\$100) or placement testing fee (\$75)
- Local cost comparisons (base tuition only, no fees represented):
  - Epiphany School (K-8): **\$7,350/student/yr** ([www.epiphanycatholicschool.org](http://www.epiphanycatholicschool.org))
  - Culpeper Christian School (K-8): **\$7,040/student/yr** ([www.culpeperchristianschool.com](http://www.culpeperchristianschool.com))
  - Fresta Valley Christian School (HS), Marshall, VA: **\$9,520/student/yr** ([www.frestavalley.org](http://www.frestavalley.org))
  - Covenant Christian Academy (HS), Warrenton, VA: **\$7,500/student/yr** ([www.covenantva.org](http://www.covenantva.org))
  - Banner Christian School, Culpeper, VA (K-10th): **\$7,950/student/yr** (<https://bannerchristian.org/>)
- Parents to provide Chromebook or laptop for student use with Ignitia



# Tuition (Part-Time)

- Part-Time Student Tuition
  - \$1,000.00/subject (KLCA teacher-led classes)
  - Does not include admission fee (\$100) or placement testing fee (\$75)
  - If the student desires to stay on campus for the entire day there is a study hall fee for the year (\$300)
- Discounts
  - 3% discount for subsequent sibling, full-time students
  - 3% discount for full-time students of parents / legal guardians who are active military or first responders
  - (Maximum discount of 3% per full-time student)



# Tuition

- Payment Options
  - Full payment (preferred): due with signed financial contract by June 1<sup>st</sup>
  - (2) Semi-Annual payments
    - 1st payment by June 1<sup>st</sup>, and 2nd payment due in first week of 2nd semester
  - Checks payable to King's Light Christian Academy, or online payments are available through ClassReach (\$50.00 setup fee)

# Fundraising





# Safety and Security



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# Security & Safety

- Salem Fire and Rescue located just one mile away
- Planned and unannounced drills conducted each year based on Virginia code. At a minimum:
  - Fire (evacuation): once a week for four weeks in September, once a month thereafter
  - Shelter in Place (weather): once in October
  - Lockdown (secure the building): once in October and once in January
- Visitors will be required to show a valid ID and sign in / sign out
- All doors are locked to the outside during campus days



# COVID-19 Precautions, on Campus

- Will keep abreast of all changes and updates recommended by the CDC and the VA Governor's Office
- Please ask the Administrator for KLCA's Covid Policy
- Encourage proper hand washing
- Monitor for symptoms prior to school start each day.
  - Students or teachers with flu-like symptoms will be asked to stay home



# COVID-19 Disruption of Campus Days

- KLCA will utilize Google Classroom in lieu of on-campus days, as necessary
- Training on use of Google Classroom will be provided



# The Heart of KLCA



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# School Vision / Mission

- **School Motto:** “Training hearts and minds to walk worthy for the glory of God.”
- **School Vision:** “Partnering with parents to educate with excellence and prepare students to impact the world for Christ.”
- **UMSI Vision:** “To strengthen families and values by helping parents prepare college-worthy, character witnesses of Christ for the next generation.”



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# School Vision / Mission

- **School Mission:** At KLCA, we equip young men and women to serve the Lord and glorify Him with their lives. Wherever they live--in the world, in the church, or in the home--we strive to prepare our students academically, spiritually, and socially.
  - **Academically**—KLCA students are creative, critical thinkers with a rich knowledge of God's world, a strong work ethic, and a deep love of learning.
  - **Spiritually**—KLCA students are God-focused, prayerful, biblically grounded, and engaged in service to others.
  - **Socially**—KLCA students are valued members of a Christ-centered community where they practice giving and receiving love, discipleship, and grace.



# Admission Requirements

- Parents must sign a Statement of Faith.
- At least one parent must be a born-again believer in Christ.
- Parents and students must be willing to abide by the school's policies and regulations as expressed in our handbook or by the Administrator.
- Parents must be committed to providing partnership oversight in the satellite classroom on the days that the youth is not attending KLCA in order to provide quality education in accordance with existing law.

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# Admission Requirements, continued

- Parents and students must be committed to the university-model learning experience and Christian environment of KLCA. Each student must willingly adhere to KLCA's Student Code of Conduct, Dress Code Policy, and all other policies regarding student behavior.
- Parents must be willing to use a Christian Conciliation Service to settle any disputes if they cannot be resolved at the school level.

# Statement of Faith

- We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative, inerrant Word of God (2 Timothy 3:15; 2 Peter 1:21).
- We believe there is only one God, eternally existent in three persons--Father, Son and Holy Spirit (Genesis 1:1; Matthew 28:19; John 10:30).
- We believe in the deity of Christ (John 10:33); His virgin birth (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23; Luke 1:35); His sinless life (Hebrews 4:15; 7:26); His miracles (John 2:11); His vicarious and atoning death (1 Corinthians 15:3; Ephesians 1:7; Hebrews 2:9); His resurrection (John 11:25; 1 Corinthians 15:4); His ascension to the right hand of the Father (Mark 16:19); His personal return in power and glory (Acts 1:11; Revelation 19:11).

# Statement of Faith

- We believe in the absolute necessity of regeneration by the Holy Spirit for salvation because of the exceeding sinfulness of human nature, and that men are justified on the single ground of faith in the shed blood of Christ and that only by God's grace and through faith alone we are saved (John 3:16-19; 5:24; Romans 3:23; 5:8-9; Ephesians 2:8-10; Titus 3:5).
- We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life, and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation (John 5: 28-29).
- We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 8:9; 1 Corinthians 12:12-13; Galatians 3:26-28).



# Statement of Faith

- We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life (Romans 8: 13-14; 1 Corinthians 3:16; 6:19-20; Ephesians 4:30; 5:18).
- We believe marriage is the original and foundational institution of human society, established by God and described in Scripture as a one-flesh, covenantal union between a man and a woman that is intended to be life-long (until separated by death), exclusive (monogamous and faithful), and procreative in nature (designed for bearing and rearing children).

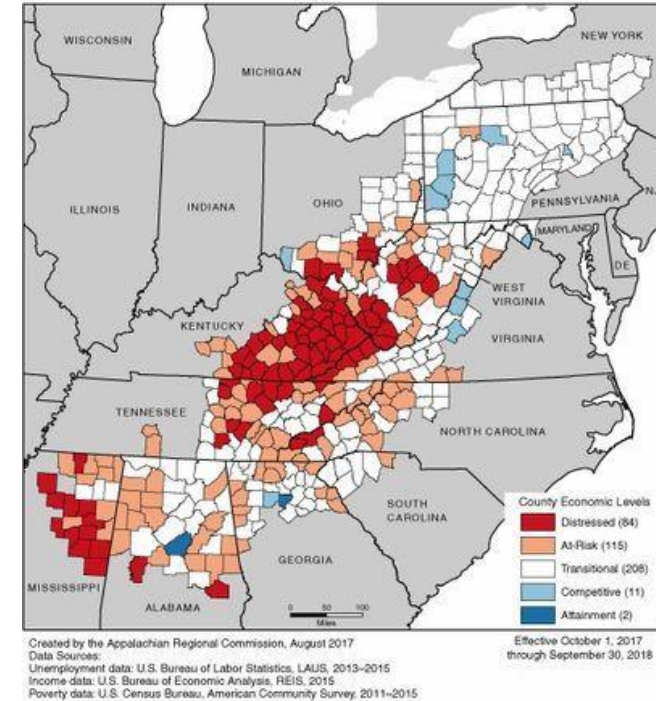
# Discipline / R.O.C.K.S.

- “You are not in trouble, you are in training” and “You are not being disciplined, you are being disciplined”
- KLCA sees discipleship issues as a heart issue
- R.O.C.K.S Behavior Principles
  - **R**espect Authority
  - **O**thers Are Important
  - **C**orrection – Accept and Learn from it
  - **K**eep Yourself Prepared
  - **S**eek Excellence



# Mission Partner

- New Salem Baptist Church participates in a mission called **Hope for Appalachia**
  - Hope for Appalachia Virginia Inc, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization, is a network of churches, businesses and individuals throughout Virginia and North Carolina that brings much needed basic necessities in "Hope Boxes" to children in some of the poorest counties in the Appalachian Mountains.
- KLCA will assist in serving this mission by assisting in several events per year, such as collections of goods / clothing, and preparing Hope Boxes to be delivered to the children in Appalachia.





# Service Hours

**NIV** <sup>40</sup> “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’ **Mt 25: 40**

- KLCA encourages a life in Christian servitude
- We will track hours of volunteer service for each student
- KLCA will register as a Certifying Organization, able to administer the President’s Volunteer Service Award Program
  - Students will be eligible for various recognitions

Age Group	Bronze	Silver	Gold	Lifetime Achievement Award*
Kids (5–10 years old)	26–49 hours	50–74 hours	75+ hours	4,000+ hours
Teens (11–15)	50–74 hours	75–99 hours	100+ hours	4,000+ hours
Young Adults (16–25)	100–174 hours	175–249 hours	250+ hours	4,000+ hours
Adults (26+)	100–249 hours	250–499 hours	500+ hours	4,000+ hours

# Biblical Inspirations

***NIV:** "But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light." ... You are royal priests, a holy nation, God's very own possession **1 Peter: 2:9***

***NIV: 4** As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. <sup>2</sup> Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. <sup>3</sup> Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. **Eph 4:1-3***

***NIV** <sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. <sup>11</sup> Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. <sup>12</sup> For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. <sup>13</sup> Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. <sup>14</sup> Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, <sup>15</sup> and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup> In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup> Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. <sup>18</sup> And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. <sup>19</sup> Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should. **Eph 6:10-20***