

#### Harrisonville Classical Cottage Academy

### Q: What is a Cottage School at HCCA?

**A:** The HCCA Cottage School is a weekly 2-day program for students Pre-K through 9th grade that works in tandem with our Traditional classroom instruction. We are a new school trying to meet the needs of our community.

### **Q: What days will the students come?**

A: Students will come on Tuesday/Thursdays and be taught by Qualified teachers who work with students on core subjects including music and Latin mid-August to May.

#### Q: What curriculum will be used?

**A:** Your student will be using the Memoria Press Classical Curriculum along with Abeka Math. Memoria Press does not have their own Math and we feel that Abeka Math is a quality math program.

### **Q: What is the student/teacher ratio?**

**A:** Currently the ratio is 10:1 or up to 12:1 in Kindergarten and 14:1 or up to 16:1 in grades 1-9 depending on space.

#### Q: Do your teachers have a degree?

**A:** Currently our full-time teachers have a degree in Education or similar. As an independent school we try our best to hire qualified individuals in their teaching areas. Our classes are not volunteer/parent-led.

# Q: Is this a fun, enrichment program for homeschoolers?

**A:** No, this is an academic traditional and classical school, however your student will have fun and receive plenty of enrichment.

#### Q: What does that mean?

**A:** That means that classes are teacher led and students are expected to be respectful and follow classroom rules. Showing respect towards teachers and other students alike in a classroom setting.

#### Q: What makes it classical?

A: The Classical/Traditional school expects the student to be the learner under a teacher. As a classical school our core curriculum is Latin, Classical Studies/Bible/History, Literature, Composition, Math and Science.

### **Q: Is the Curriculum provided for Parents?**

A: Yes, we will purchase your curriculum with your paid book fee. Teachers will provide guided assignments on Tuesday for Wednesday at home and then again on Thursday for Friday/Monday work. Parents may also purchase a learning guide and or teacher keys separately for an additional cost.

#### **Q: Is the curriculum difficult?**

**A:** Yes, it is a rigorous program. You will need to help your child maintain a good schedule on the days when they are not at school in order to keep the pace of academics. You will need to be the teacher on days when they are home. If you are looking mostly for fun/enrichment for your child, this program might not be a good fit.

# Q: Who is responsible for taking and keeping grades.

**A:** The parent is responsible for grading and keeping grades for their student, just as you are required to under the Homeschooling law. Please see <u>www.hslda.org</u> for these laws and requirements.

# **Q: How much do Parents need to be involved?**

A: Teachers will provide student assignments that are to be completed at home on Mon/Wed/Friday. The classroom teacher will provide support, lesson plans and partner with parents, but parents are the primary teacher and will determine the final grades for students. Students will need guidance and oversight for at-home content and completion of lessons.

# Q: Will my child need to wear a uniform?

A: Yes, students are part of our school and we expect modest attire which is easily accommodated through our uniform code which is very simple. Please see our uniform code online or ask for a uniform code shortcut. www.harrisonvillecca.com

# **Q: Will parents be required to volunteer?**

A: Yes, we will require each homeschool family to volunteer 10 hours for the year. This is easy to do! We give many opportunities throughout the year. This amounts to approximately one hour a month. This helps our school financially and is a great way for parents to involve themselves in their child's education. (Ex. post on social media, help with parties/field trips)

# **Q: Are Cottage Students permitted to play sports with the School?**

**A:** Yes, we will fill our teams with Traditional and Cottage School students grades 3-9. Currently we offer Volleyball and Girls/Boys Basketball.

### **Q:** Do you require a statement of faith to be followed?

A: Yes, we are a classical and Christian school. We teach that students should uphold traditional Christian values. We believe that the Word of God is Holy and inspired by God. We teach bible classes, memorize scripture and pray in class and at our morning assembly. You can see our statement of faith on our website.

# Q: Will we have the same social opportunities as the Traditional students?

A: Yes, students may participate in our Christmas music program, sports, Meet the Teacher, P/T conferences, field trips, Picture Day, Open House/Student projects and anything else that we offer if they choose.

#### Q: How many spots are open?

**A:** We open spots to our current families in our Traditional program. Any remaining seats in the classroom will then be opened to Cottage families.

#### Q: How do we apply or ensure our student has a spot?

A: Our application is online. You will need to go to our website, click on the tuition tab, then click enroll. Once we receive your non-refundable deposit your student will be enrolled. If we can not place your student in a class then and only then will we refund your deposit. If you change your mind it will not be refunded.

### Q: Can students enroll halfway through the year?

A: This is a case by case situation. We would only enroll students into the Cottage School program if they were currently using Memoria Press or in a rigorous program similar to MP.

#### **Tuition and Fees**

#### Enrollment fee:

1 student \$75 2 students \$85 3+ students \$95 Due at enrollment

Admin fee: \$50 per family Due by August 10th

#### **Book fees:**

Kindergarten \$265 1st/2nd \$290 3rd-6th \$345 7th-9th \$365

Book fees due by July 10th or they increase by \$20 afterwards.

Tuition is due monthly on the 10th. Payment plans may be made in 10 month or 12 month installments unless you wish to pay upfront or Twice a year.

#### **Tuition for the year:**

Grades 7th-9th \$2,475 Grades 4th-6th \$2,275 Grades 1st-3rd \$2,200 Kindergarten \$2,100 (full day) Kindergarten \$2,075 (1/2 day) Preschool \$1,450 (1/2 day) Preschool \$2,100 (full day) **Multi child discount: If more than one student, start with the oldest student's tuition and deduct \$100 per additional student.**  HCCA and the Cottage school do not accept cash for tuition. We use an online system called TUIO. Once enrolled you will be sent information to enroll in TUIO. Your annual, bi-yearly or monthly tuition will be taken via ACH through our TUIO payment system. It is free if you use your bank account, 3-4% if you use a debit or credit card for payment. There is a \$35 fee for ISF. Please see our regular tuition page policy for overdue payments and withdrawal policies. Tuition is due the 10th of the month.

In the 2024-2025 school year we will offer a la carte classes in the following areas for 7th-9th grades: Music, Art, Latin, Pre-Algebra, Algebra, Geometry, Science, History, Composition, Grammar, and Literature.

Each a la carte class will be \$70 a month. The cost of fees and books will also be required. If interested in an a la carte class please email us at <u>office@harrisonvillecca.com</u> to acquire the day and time for the class you are interested in.