

ESTERHAZY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

We're thrilled to officially announce that we are now incorporated as the Esterhazy Christian Academy!

We are currently working with the Ministry of Education to obtain our license as an unfunded independent Christian school.

For the 2025-2026 school year, we will launch as a K-6 at the Ruach SK Church in Esterhazy.



K-6



September 2025



520 Fifth Avenue, Esterhazy

2025 AND BEYOND

Each year, we will continue adding grades as we grow into a high-quality Pre-K to 12 school.

In our first year of operation, we will also launch a building campaign, investing in a strong foundation for future generations.



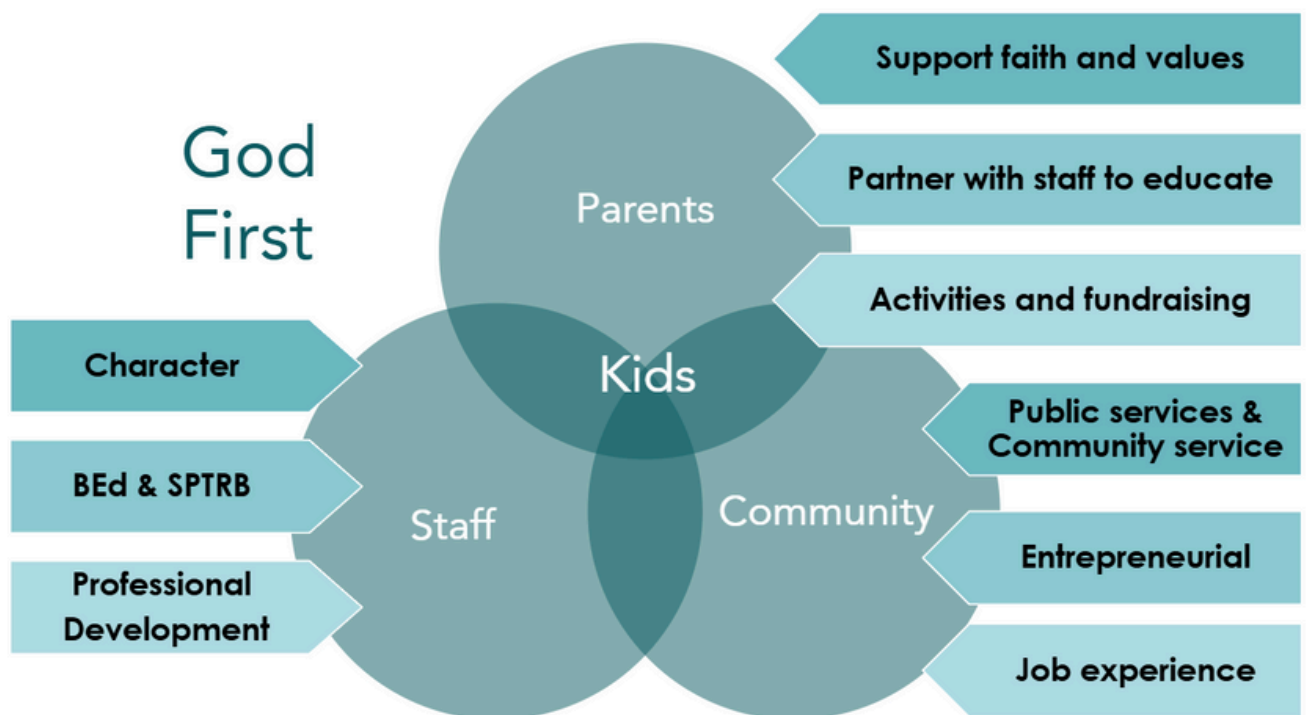
QUALITY EDUCATION

Biblical Worldview

- ▣ Christian values
- ▣ Biblical truth
- ▣ Sensitive topics
- ▣ Parents!

Educational philosophy

- ▣ Collaboration across ages
- ▣ Integration of subjects
- ▣ Love of learning, exploration and FUN
- ▣ Prepared for real life



We believe education is a partnership between staff, parents, and the community. Our school's structure and curriculum will be built on this foundation, ensuring a strong and supportive learning environment.

Attached are additional resources about the importance of the style and structure of the curriculum.

TUITION

As an unfunded independent school, we will rely on both tuition and community support. Tuition will range from \$550 to \$750 per month per child, depending on enrollment.

As we grow, we plan to develop scaled tuition rates for families with multiple children enrolled, making education more accessible for everyone.

Application process

Once our applications are approved, the enrollment process for families will begin. The application process will follow these steps:

Application form
(website or email)

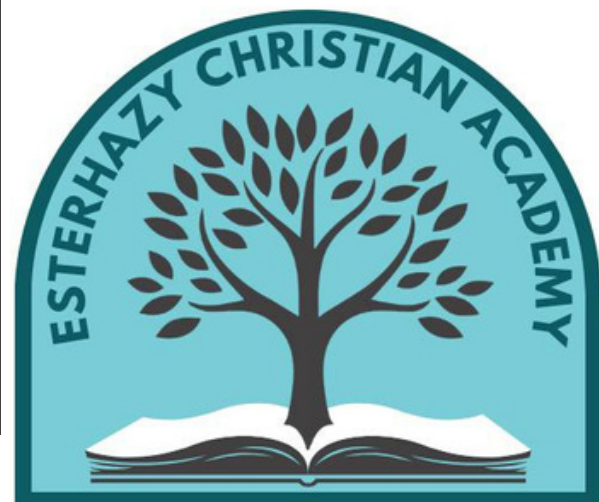
Interview
with Director
and Principal

Non-refundable
application fee

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ONE ROOM SCHOOLHOUSE LEARNING BENEFITS

A one-room school house was traditionally known as a small building where children of all ages and grade levels gather in one room together taught by a single teacher. While this may seem like an out-dated concept, many schools around the world are turning back to this method of education for it's profound benefits:

- The multi-age class encourages students to build confidence, self-conceptualize and gain a strong sense of belonging. With similar interests, abilities, skill levels and enriched curriculum, this leads to the wider range of interests and experience of the students.
- Age mixing allows older children to practice, teach and gain fluency with reading, writing and math concepts.
- Mixed-age classrooms provide more stability, as the children form solid relationships and a sense of community with both their peers and their teachers.
- Multi-age classrooms enable students to be able to learn and excel at their own rate. Eliminating the negativity of not being at the "level" the government standard says they should be at but instead creating an environment where they move through each lesson and subject as they conquer it. They are not pushed through the school system because of their age or if the grade year is finished. This also enables each student to excel in the subjects that they are confident in and does not hold them back the level they "should" be at.
- Mixed age environments foster diverse interactions promoting strong social skills, empathy & cooperation.
- When there is a minimum two year age gap, older children model positive behaviors for the younger ones, while younger children are exposed to more advanced social cues and leadership opportunities.
- Many studies also show reduced bullying, increased vocabulary and an easier time overcoming social inhibitions.
- Group learning opens eyes to different perspectives. Children learn that their opinions matter and have value to group projects, directly reflecting in their ability to work in a team setting when they are adults.

"To cultivate lifelong learners, remember that education is not preparation for life; education is life itself." ~ John Dewey



WHY WE TEACH IN A MONTESSORI STYLE

Montessori learning is a child-based approach to education. This environment helps the brain develop and retain lessons and facts in the classroom. It's a powerful strategy that brings the subjects to life through direct experience. By engaging with materials & concepts firsthand, students develop a deeper understanding and lasting enthusiasm for learning. We believe in growing life-long learners!

- Hands-on learning is crucial as it fosters deep understanding, improves retention and engages learners actively, leading to better problem solving, critical thinking and collaboration skills.
- When students are able to physically interact with learning material, they are more likely to pay attention. It develops a deeper interest in the subject matter as it engages the brain in a way that makes it harder to daydream or “check out” mentally while a lesson is being taught.
- Involving multiple senses: sight, touch, hearing, etc. strengthens memory and facilitates better retention of information. Many people are wired as kinesthetic learners meaning they learn best by DOING.
- By actively participating in activities students gain a deeper understanding of concepts and can apply their knowledge more effectively. Students can experiment, make mistakes and learn from the mistakes, fostering a problem-solving mentality, all in a safe environment.
- When learners engage in hands-on activities, they improve their ability to work in teams while building social and emotional skills.
- Many hands-on activities require teamwork and collaboration, promoting communication skills and the ability to work effectively with others.
- Hands-on activities help develop fine motor skills, which are important for a variety of tasks from writing to playing musical instruments.
- Memorization of poetry and scripture enforces proper language structure and patterns that they do not see or hear in most of what they are listening, reading or watching in the societal norms.



KEY DIFFERENCES IN ECA & PUBLIC EDUCATION

- Your children are valued members of our academy and our aim is to develop relationships with them, ensuring a safe learning environment where they are respected & respect others.
- Lessons are taught with the goal of learning & growth academically, emotionally and spiritually.
- We believe in open communication with our families consistently. We will not wait for reporting dates or interviews to communicate between teachers and parents for any issues or successes.
- TRUTH IS TRUTH. Beyond that, we know that everyone is designed and created differently and we respect their ideas and thought processes.
- We do not teach with a cookie cutter mindset. The differences in how people learn, create, and think is what makes them great! Different learning styles will be used as needed.
- Sensitive subjects are not taught in the classroom. We are here to assist parents to have those conversations with their own children when they decide their child is ready.