



# 2023-2024 New Family Welcome Guide





# WELCOME FROM HEAD OF SCHOOL



Dear LCA Families,

It is a joy to welcome you officially to our LCA extended family! Parents, we are fully aware you have multiple choices regarding how your children are educated. We are humbled and thankful you have partnered with us to educate your students academically, athletically, artistically, and most of all spiritually!

At LCA, our Mission is "*...to equip and nurture our students to fulfill God's calling on their lives through Christ-centered education.*" Our mission is a divine task that we take seriously and pursue with great intent. We are here to serve you, and we look forward to creating lifelong relationships now and in the future.

Again, thank you for sharing your children with us and for allowing us to help your students find the Lord's unique calling and purpose in each of their lives. God bless you richly!

In Him,

B. Scott Wells, Ed.D.



# HISTORY, MISSION, VISION & STATEMENT OF FAITH

## HISTORY

In 1989, Lexington Christian Academy (LCA) was formed as a result of a merger between The Academy and The Lexington Christian School. Since its inception, LCA has provided an educational experience, which prepares students not only in the classroom, but on the field of play and stage, in chapels and retreats, and through leadership and outreach programs. By focusing on students' minds, hearts, and bodies, LCA produces scholars that impact the world for Jesus Christ.

## MISSION

The mission of Lexington Christian Academy (LCA) is to *nurture and equip students to fulfill God's calling and their lives through Christ-centered education.*

## VISION

The vision of the school is to pursue a world-class Christ-centered education.

## STATEMENT OF FAITH

1. We believe the Bible to be inspired, the only infallible, authoritative, inerrant Word of God. (II Timothy 3:15, II Peter 1:21.)
2. We believe there is one God eternally existent in three persons – Father, Son and Holy Spirit (Genesis 1:1, Matthew 28:19, John 10:30)
3. We believe in the deity of Christ. (John 2:11) His virgin birth (Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:23, Luke 1:35) His sinless life. (Hebrews 4:15, Hebrews 7:2) His miracles. John 2:11) His vicarious and atoning death. (I Corinthians 15:3, Ephesians 1:7, Hebrews 2:9) His resurrection. (John 11:25, I 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)
4. 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 3:15-19, John 5:24, Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8-9, Ephesians 2:8-10, Titus 3:5)
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)
6. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ. (Romans 8:9, I Corinthians 12:12-13, Galatians 3:26-28)
7. 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, I Corinthians 6:19-20, Ephesians 4:30, 5:18)

# CORE VALUES & MATTHEW 18 PRINCIPLE

## CORE VALUES

### **TRUE EDUCATION MUST BE BUILT ON, CENTERED IN AND CONTINUALLY JUDGED BY CHRIST AND THE SCRIPTURES.**

The Bible must serve as the basis upon which every course and every activity in the school is evaluated. The school's worldview—basic beliefs, assumptions, values, priorities, and biases - must be firmly established upon the principles of God's Word.

### **BIBLE INSTRUCTION IS INTEGRATED WITH EVERY ASPECT OF THE STUDENT'S EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE.**

In addition to attending daily Bible classes, LCA students encounter God's truth. The Bible is the framework for character, attitude, and value development.

### **PARENTS ARE THE FIRST - AND MOST IMPORTANT - TEACHERS.**

One of the principal needs of children is instruction. The Bible emphasizes the important role that parents play in providing that instruction. While others may teach, fathers and mothers have the prime responsibility. The partnership between the home and school establishes a strong foundation for the student's success.

### **THERE IS A COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE AND INNOVATION THROUGHOUT OUR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM OFFERINGS THAT MAXIMALLY PREPARES OUR STUDENTS FOR COLLEGE AND LIFE.**

LCA School System's curricular and instructional decisions are supported by research and reflective of best practices.

### **STUDENTS SHOULD HAVE A WIDE RANGE OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO THEM.**

LCA believes that no student should have to take an academic penalty to receive a Christian education. As a result, LCA has made a long-term financial commitment to provide a full range of educational opportunities to its student body.

## MATTHEW 18 PRINCIPLE

Like any other organization, we may at times irritate others, resulting in misunderstandings or strong disagreements. In Matthew 18:15-17, Jesus gives His formula for solving person-to-person problems. The following are the words of Jesus: "Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother. But if he will not hear, take with you one or two more, that 'by the mouth of two or three witnesses, every word may be established.' And if he refuses to hear them, tell it to the church." There are several clear principles that Jesus taught in solving people-to-people problems.

The first step, and most often the only step needed in solving a person-to-person problem, is for one of the two people involved to initiate face-to-face dialogue. Most problems are solved at the two-person level.

Most school problems are resolved at the two-person level. Forgiveness and restoration is the normal happy conclusion. But what is the Matthew 18 principle if the individual will not "hear" you or openly disagrees with you? What is the next step? The parent and teacher should agree to share the matter with the campus principal. At this stage, the counsel of Jesus would be "...take with you one or two more, that by the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established." An open and honest discussion will most often reach an amiable solution.

What if you still do not agree? What is the next step in the Matthew 18 principle? The campus principal will coordinate a meeting with the Head of School. The goal of the meeting is (1) a clear understanding of the problem and (2) solving the problem.

In summary, the Matthew 18 principle requires that students/parents talk to teachers about their problems before they talk to the campus principal, Head of School, or even the Board of Directors. If unresolved at the two-person level, the matter is prayerfully and in an orderly fashion moved upward in the school's organizational structure. This is the Lord's way of solving people-to-people problems.

# THE BASICS

## LOCATIONS

### PRESCHOOL - 5TH GRADE

Immanuel Baptist Church Campus  
3100 Tates Creek Road  
Lexington, KY 40502

### 6TH GRADE ACADEMY, JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Rose Campus  
450 West Reynolds Road  
Lexington, KY 40503

## SCHOOL HOURS

### PRESCHOOL

- Half-Day Programs 8AM-11:15AM
- All-Day Programs 8AM-3PM
- After-Care 3:00PM-5:30PM

### ELEMENTARY

- TK-5th Grade Programs 8AM-3PM
- After-Care 3PM-6PM

### 6TH GRADE ACADEMY

- Drop-Off 7:40-8:20AM
- 6th Grade Program 8:20AM-3:20PM
- Pick-Up 3:20PM-5PM

### JUNIOR HIGH

- Drop-Off 7:40-8:20AM
- 6th Grade Program 8:20AM-3:20PM
- Pick-Up 3:20PM-5PM

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Drop-Off 7:30-8:20AM
- 6th Grade Program 8:20AM-3:20PM
- Pick-Up 3:20PM-5PM

### CENTRAL BUSINESS OFFICE

- 8AM-4PM

## MORNING PLEDGES

Every morning our students start their school day reciting pledges to the American flag, Christian flag, and Bible. In addition, our students will spend time sharing prayer requests, scripture, and then prayer.

### PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all."

### PLEDGE TO THE CHRISTIAN FLAG

"I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag and to the Savior for whose Kingdom it stands; one brotherhood, uniting all of mankind in service and in love."

### PLEDGE TO THE BIBLE

"I pledge allegiance to the Bible, God's Holy Word, I will make it a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path and will hide its words in my heart that I might not sin against God."

# SCHOOL CALENDAR

## FALL SEMESTER

**August 9:** First Day for Teachers

**August 16:** First Day for Students  
(TK-12th GR)

**August 17:** First Day for Preschoolers  
(Tu/Th & M-F Programs)

**August 18:** First Day for Preschoolers  
(MWF Programs)

**September 4:** Labor Day Holiday  
(No School - Offices Closed)

**October 5-6:** Fall Break (School Break)

**October 18:** Early Dismissal Day  
(PSAT Testing)

**October 25:** Parent-Teacher Conference  
Day (NTI for Students)

**November 20-24:** Thanksgiving Break  
(School Break) (Offices Closed Nov 22-  
24)

**December 12-15:** JH/HS Final Exams

**December 15:** No School PS-5th Grade  
(Records Day)

**December 18-Jan 1st:** Christmas Break  
(School Break)  
(Offices Closed Dec 25-29)

## SPRING SEMESTER

**January 2:** Classes Resume

**January 15:** Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday  
(No School - Offices Closed)

**February 16:** Professional Development Day  
(No School for students)

**February 19:** Presidents' Day Holiday  
(Offices Closed)

**March 6:** Early Dismissal Day (ACT Testing)

**March 29:** Good Friday Holiday (Offices closed)

**April 1-5:** Spring Break (School Break)  
(Offices Closed April 1-5)

**May 21-24:** JH/HS Final Exams

**May 21:** Last Day of School for Tu/Th  
Preschoolers

**May 22:** Last Day of School for MWF & M-F  
Preschoolers

**May 23:** Last Day of School & Early Dismissal  
for  
TK & KG Classes

**May 23:** Last Day of School for 1st-5th Graders

**May 24:** No School PS-5th Grade (Records Day)  
Last Day of School for 6th-12th

**May 27:** Memorial Day (Offices Closed)

**May 29:** Last Day for Teachers

# IMPORTANT DATES

## BACK-TO-SCHOOL EVENTS

### MONDAY | AUG 7

- Daily Prayer Walk - 7AM at IBC Campus and 7:30AM at Rose Campus

### TUESDAY | AUG 8

- Daily Prayer Walk - 7AM at IBC Campus and 7:30AM at Rose Campus
- New Family Information Night (TK-5th Grade) - 6:30PM at IBC

### WEDNESDAY | AUG 9

- Daily Prayer Walk - 7AM at IBC Campus and 7:30AM at Rose Campus

### THURSDAY | AUG 10

- Daily Prayer Walk - 7AM at IBC Campus and 7:30AM at Rose Campus

### FRIDAY | AUG 11

- Daily Prayer Walk - 7AM at IBC Campus and 7:30AM at Rose Campus
- PS-5th Grade Homeroom Assignments Published
- Freshman & New High School Student Orientation - 10AM Rose Campus - Chapel
- High School New Family Luncheon - 11:45AM - Rose Campus - Media Center

### SUNDAY | AUG 13

- Schoolwide Prayer & Worship Service - 5:30PM at Rose Campus

### MONDAY | AUG 14

- Daily Prayer Walk - 7AM at IBC Campus and 7:30AM at Rose Campus
- TK-5th Grade Family Open House & Celebration 10AM-2PM IBC Campus
- 6th-8th Grade Parent Open House - 6PM at Rose Campus Chapel

### TUESDAY | AUG 15

- Daily Prayer Walk - 7AM at IBC Campus and 7:30AM at Rose Campus
- 6th-8th Grade New Student Welcome - 11AM, Rose Campus

### WEDNESDAY | AUG 16

- First Day of School for TK-12th Grade Students

### THURSDAY | AUG 17

- First Day of School for M-F and TTH Preschool Students

### FRIDAY | AUG 18

- First Day of School for M-F and TTH Preschool Students

# YOUR BACK-TO-SCHOOL CHECKLIST

## ✓ FORMS

By the **first day of school**, each student must have on file copies of the following documents:

- Birth Certificate
- Current Kentucky Immunization Record
- Current Physical Exam Record

By **July 31**, all families must submit their students' Annual Verification Forms. To complete the verification form:

- Login to FACTS Family
- Select Web Forms
- Select 2023-2024 Annual Verification Form

By **December 31st**, each PS-1st grade student must have on file copies of the following documents:

- Kentucky Dental Exam Form
- Kentucky Eye Exam Form

## ✓ SUMMER READING

Each 6th-12th grade student has a reading assignment for the summer. To learn more about the assignment, please visit the **CAMPUS LIFE** section of the school's website.

## ✓ SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Please visit the **CAMPUS LIFE** section of the school's website to review the list of supplies needed for the new school year.

## ✓ DRESS CODE ITEMS

Please visit the **CAMPUS LIFE** section of the school's website to review the dress code overviews. Purchase dress code items from your favorite retailer of the LCA apparel store, WINGS.



# PS-12 STANDARDIZED DRESS CODE

By definition, “Standardized Dress Code” is a flexible selection of clothing from which students may choose. Standardized dress code is not a uniform where every student is dressed in identical outfits. It is, however, designed to promote modesty, create a safe and positive climate, and ensure a distraction-free learning environment.

Dress code items may be purchased from the vendor of your choice. Fads, trends, innovative fashions, extreme hairstyles or hair colors, jewelry, and/or clothing, which the principal or assistant principal deems to be potentially disruptive or inappropriate, will not be allowed.

- Modesty is required at all times at any school event or function.
- No tight-fitting or spandex polos are permitted. All clothing must be modest and unrevealing in cut, fit, and texture. No sleeveless clothing.
- No extremes in fashion or hair, as defined by the school administration.
- A boy's hair is not to exceed the middle of the ear on the sides, top of collar in the back & top of the eyebrows. Boys are not allowed to wear ponytails or buns. Facial hair (goatee, beard, or moustache) is not allowed.
- Stickers, face paint or visible tattoos are not permitted.
- Pierced jewelry is only allowed in the ears of girls. No pierced jewelry is permitted for boys.
- Make-up is not permitted for PS-5th grade students.
- Students must be in compliance with their dress code prior to entering the school and continue until the end of the school day.
- The standardized dress code is for all school days with the exception of dates previously approved by the principals, such as Spirit week and/or Book Fair week as well as Friday Spirit Dress Days.

Students in 7th, 8th, and 9th grades are required to wear PE uniforms (blue LCA Athletics t-shirt and either gray or black athletic shorts). Three ways to order:

- Purchase in-person at the WINGS Store.
- Complete this order form and email it to [wings@lexingtonchristian.org](mailto:wings@lexingtonchristian.org).
- Call the WINGS Store at 859-422-5791 to order.

To learn more about the details for each age-groups standardized dress code, please visit the **CAMPUS LIFE** section of the school's website.

# KEY CONTACTS

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# GLOSSARY OF FREQUENTLY USED LCA TERMS

## **ACCREDITATION**

Accreditation is the recognition from an accrediting agency that an institution maintains a certain level of educational standards.

## **ACE**

The name of the LCA eagle mascot

## **ACE SCHEDULE**

For 6th-12th grade, the ACE schedule is an alternate school schedule used for special activities, clubs, and/or enrichments.

## **ACSI (Association of Christian Schools International)**

Accreditation with ACSI involves a vigorous, holistic process of organizational appraisal and improvement that engages every school constituent. Every step in the ACSI accreditation process is designed to drive improvement in Christian schools around the world.

## **ANNUAL FUND**

The Annual Fund is an essential component of our fundraising efforts at Lexington Christian Academy. Tuition alone does not fund all that makes LCA the extraordinary place that it is. The Annual Fund helps bridge the gap between tuition and the full cost of educating each student.

## **AUXILIARY GYM**

The auxiliary gym, located at the Rose Campus, serves as the primary gymnasium for physical education instruction for the 6th Grade Academy. In addition, it is the school's secondary gym for athletic programs.

## **BACCALAUREATE**

A special ceremony held the Sunday before graduation to celebrate the senior class.

## **BOARD**

The Board of Directors is the policy-making leadership of the school, entrusted with furthering the school's mission.

## **BUSINESS PARTNERS**

LCA's business partnership program provides businesses with opportunities to financially support the school and connect with our families. The program includes providing access to premium signage around our campus as well as digital marketing and event sponsorships.

## **CANVAS**

Canvas is a learning management system. It is a focused learning management system designed to connect educators to students. Canvas allows educators to organize and share information including: class notes, assignments, announcements, and grades.

## **CELEBRATE TEACHERS & STAFF**

This program is an intentional appeal to fund and provide our teachers and support staff with a Christmas bonus.

## **CBO**

CBO is the acronym for the school's Central Business Office.

## **COGNIA**

Cognia works with school systems, both public and private, across the globe to assess the quality of their institutions. Based on rigorous research-based standards and evidence-based criteria, the accreditation process probes the whole institution—from policies to learning conditions and cultural context—to determine how well the parts work together to meet the needs of every learner.

# GLOSSARY OF FREQUENTLY USED LCA TERMS

## CONVOCATION

A special prayer event held each August where senior parents, teachers and staff pray over the members of the senior class.

## EAGLE CARD

The Eagle Card is a student ID that can be used to purchase items from the Wings Store, Grab n' Go, and Concessions. Funds must be added to the student's account via FACTS Family.

## EAGLE GALA

The gala is the culminating event to celebrate the conclusion of the school's annual fund campaign.

## E-TIP

The Eagle Tuition Incentive Program (E-TIP) is a tuition credit initiative designed to lower the cost of attending LCA. With E-TIP, your family does your regular shopping using gift certificates from America's leading retailers (e.g., Meijer, Target, Speedway, OfficeMax, Wal-Mart) as well as some of our local vendors. With each purchase, your family earns discounts that can be converted to tuition credit for your children.

## EXTENDED CARE

LCA offers extended care to students in preschool - 5th grade, which is designed to provide students with a safe and enriching atmosphere when they are not attending class. Before care is 7:15 a.m. - 8:30 a.m, and after care is 3:25 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Activities include enrichment, homework help, outside play, and an afternoon snack.

## FACTS FAMILY

LCA uses FACTS Family as its School Information System to store demographic, grade, assignment, conduct and directory data. It is also used to process payments for tuition and fees.

## GRAB 'N GO

During lunch, students at the Rose Campus have access to a kiosk, "Grab 'n Go," which sells beverages, lunch items and snacks. Students can purchase items from Grab 'n Go by using their Eagle Card.

## IBC

IBC is the acronym for the campus housed at Immanuel Baptist Church, located at 3100 Tates Creek Road, Lexington, KY 40502. This campus houses our preschool - 5th grades.

## MAIN GYM

The primary or "home" gym at the Rose Campus is referred to as the "main gym." It houses 7th-9th grade PE classes, pep rallies, and varsity sporting events.

## MEDIA CENTER

The library housed at the Rose Campus is referred to as the "Media Center." It serves students 6th-12th grade.

## MEDIA CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM

The conference room associated with the Media Center is Room 207 of the Rose Campus.

## MEZZANINE

The mezzanine is a space which overlooks both of the gymnasiums housed at the Rose Campus. This space can be used for classroom activities, meetings and special events.

## PARENTS IN PRAYER

This is a group of parents who meet weekly to pray for the school. Meetings are held at both campuses. Schedules and locations are posted at the start of the school year.



# GLOSSARY OF FREQUENTLY USED LCA TERMS

## **PARENT TEACHER FELLOWSHIP (PTF)**

The PTF is a parent-led organization offering all LCA parents and teachers many opportunities to connect with the school and build relationships through service and special events.

## **ROSE CAMPUS**

The Rose Campus is located at 450 West Reynolds Road, Lexington KY 40503. It houses the school's 6th-12th grades and athletics facilities. It is named after Jim and Judy Rose, who are grandparents to seven LCA alums. When their grandchildren were young, Jim became involved with our school. He worked closely with our school leaders to help overhaul the R.J. Reynolds Tobacco stemming plant, which is where our LCA Reynolds Road (Rose) Campus now stands. He was instrumental in helping connect our school with contractors in the region to oversee various tasks related to the project. We are very thankful to Mr. Rose for his dedication and commitment to helping the Rose campus be here today.

## **SENIOR NIGHT**

Senior athletes are recognized during each of the sports seasons.

## **SPIRIT WEAR**

LCA apparel designed to show your school spirit. Every Friday, spirit apparel can be worn to school. See the specific campus dress code for additional details.

## **SPIRIT WEEK**

takes place the week leading up to the Friday night homecoming game. Each campus plans different dress themed days and other fun activities.

## **TAILGATING**

A Friday night tradition at the varsity home football games, where LCA families come together to enjoy food and fellowship while tailgating in the athletics parking area.

## **TRUNK 'N TREAT**

An annual event held each October prior to a home football game filled with decorated car trunks, costumes and lots of candy.

## **WINGSPAN**

This is the school's e-newsletter that is sent to LCA families each Thursday during the school year, except during the holidays.

## **WINGS STORE**

WINGS is the official LCA store for purchasing everyday LCA wear and Friday Spirit wear. WINGS carries LCA logo apparel and accessories such as polos, hoodies, sweatshirt, backpacks, duffel bags, hairbows, PE uniforms, locker decorations, and locker magnets. The store is located at the Rose Campus (450 Reynolds Rd., Lexington, KY 40503) by the gym entrance. [Click here for more info.](#)

## **5TH GRADE DAY OF CELEBRATION**

A special ceremony held in May to celebrate our 5th grade students as they leave the IBC Campus and prepare to enter the 6th Grade Academy.

## **8TH GRADE DAY OF BLESSING**

A special ceremony held in May to celebrate our 8th grade students as they leave junior high and prepare to enter high school.

# STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

LCA uses FACTS Family as its School Information System to store demographic, grade, assignment, conduct and directory data. It is also used to process payments for tuition and fees.

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To login, visit the school website at [lexingtonchristian.org](http://lexingtonchristian.org) and click **FACTS FAMILY**.



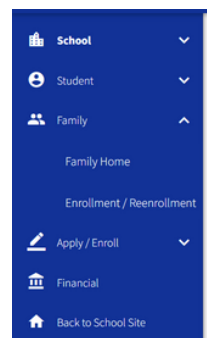
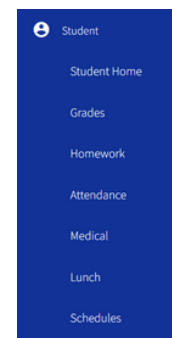
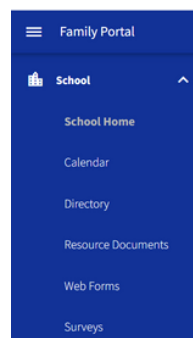
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Enter the district code of LX-KY and your credentials (username and password) and then select Login.



3

Choose from a variety of resources pertaining to the school, student, family, or financial account.



Families can also access their FACTS Family account via the FACTS Family APP. The APP is available for Apple and Android devices. The APP provides families with easy access to students' calendars, grades, announcements, newsletters, attendance, and much more ...

# LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

LCA uses Canvas as its learning management system. It is a focused learning management system designed to connect educators to students. Canvas allows educators to organize and share information including: class notes, assignments, announcements, and grades. Students and parents can access this system via an online portal as well as a mobile app. Parents must request Observer access to their student's Canvas account from the appropriate campus office. Learn more by watching the video linked [here](#).



# COMMUNICATION

We believe communication between the home and school is the key to success. Therefore, communication with parents and guardians is a major priority at Lexington Christian Academy.

We ask our teachers to keep parents and guardians informed of student progress which includes their academics and conduct. We ask parents to provide support to the teaching-learning process, and to contact the teacher if questions or concerns arise.

Below you will find examples of how we provide updates and information to our families. If you should have questions or need more information, please contact your teacher. We want to keep the communication lines open.

- **Weekly e-newsletters from teacher** (PS-5th Grade) - Each week our preschool through 5th grade teachers will provide their families with an e-newsletter, which will highlight the next week's content, reminders, and highlight of upcoming events.
- **E-newsletters from the principal** - In addition to updates from our teachers, families can anticipate receiving an email or e-newsletter from their principal that provides campus-wide information, invitations, and reminders.
- **Email updates** - LCA is reliant upon email to convey information to its families. Please make sure your email address is on file and accurate. Contact the admissions office with any changes.
- **Parent/Teacher Conferences** - Conferences are scheduled in October to provide families with an opportunity to receive an evaluation of student progress. Additional conferences may be scheduled at the request of the parent, guardian, or teacher.
- Weekly school-wide e-newsletter, "**Wingspan**" - Each Thursday, families receive an e-newsletter that provides information across the school systems. Content will include announcements, reminders, information regarding upcoming events, and updates on the school's programs.
- **Current Parent Resources** section of school website - general information can be found on the school's website. Specific information about class assignments and grades can be found on **FACTS FAMILY** or **CANVAS**, both which is accessible through the school website or the LCA app.
- **Text alerts** - periodically the school will use its text alert system to provide families with an immediate news notification such as when we will have an inclement weather day. Please make sure your cell phone is on file and accurate. Contact the admissions office with any changes.



# COMMUNICATION TOOLS

In addition to **FACTS FAMILY**, **Canvas**, the school website, and **Wingspan**, LCA also shares information via a variety of social media platforms including:



[facebook.com/LexingtonChristianAcademy](https://facebook.com/LexingtonChristianAcademy)



[instagram.com/lca\\_ky\\_eagles](https://instagram.com/lca_ky_eagles)



[linkedin.com/school/1305116/admin/](https://linkedin.com/school/1305116/admin/)



[twitter.com/LCAKYEagles](https://twitter.com/LCAKYEagles)



[vimeo.com/lexingtonchristian](https://vimeo.com/lexingtonchristian)

# PARENT TEACHER FELLOWSHIP (PTF)

The Parent Teacher Fellowship (PTF) is committed to supporting the mission of Lexington Christian Academy. The goals of the PTF include encouraging every parent to get involved, supporting the teachers and staff, and building community and school spirit. In order to accomplish these goals, the PTF promotes opportunities for families to serve and volunteer; hosts appreciation events and activities to LCA's teachers and staff; provides encouragement and support to LCA employees and families; and hosts campus or school-wide events and activities to provide fellowship, celebration, and fun for our families. Parents can get involved in one or more of the following PTF sub-committees:

## **FAMILY AMBASSADOR PROGRAM**

This committee's job is to help welcome prospective and new families to Lexington Christian Academy. Activities will include assisting with an open house or shadow day, taking a welcome gift to the new family, checking in on the new family, and inviting them to attend LCA community events.

## **HELPING HANDS COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

The Helping Hands Committee's job is to help organize and provide emotional support to the school's employees and families. This committee will also take the lead in offering extra support to our faculty, staff, and families during times of need (e.g., a new baby, loss in family, deployed spouse, illness, loss of job, etc.).

## **LUNCHROOM SUPPORT**

This committee organizes family volunteers to assist with lunchroom activities for each campus.

## **SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE**

The Special Events Committee organizes events for our students and families throughout the school year. Examples of special events include Trunk 'n Treat, Book Fair, and end-of-year graduation celebrations.

## **TEACHER APPRECIATION**

This committee's job is to help organize and coordinate appreciation events for the campus' teachers & staff. Teacher appreciation events will include welcome baskets for new teachers, monthly snacks in the teacher breakrooms, quarterly teacher luncheons, teacher appreciation week, and birthday celebrations.

Parents can sign-up to participate in PTF by visiting: <https://forms.office.com/r/vU9AzkdG0S>

# CULTURE OF PHILANTHROPY

We believe in being faithful stewards of the resources we have been given. Because of the generosity and faith of our founding families and the many who followed their lead, LCA is committed to building a "*culture of philanthropy*".

As a non-profit institution, Lexington Christian Academy relies on charitable giving for sustaining and growing the excellent Christ-centered educational experience that LCA provides. Whether you are a Lexington Christian Academy parent, grandparent, graduate, alumni, alumni parent, or another member of our community, your gifts to the LCA are greatly needed, and they truly make a difference.

If you are interested in meeting to discuss LCA's giving priorities or how you can participate in supporting the school, please contact (859) 422-5734.

## GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

### The Annual Fund

The Annual Fund is an essential component of our fundraising efforts at Lexington Christian Academy. Tuition alone does not fund all that makes LCA the extraordinary place that it is. The Annual Fund helps bridge the gap between tuition and the full cost of educating each student.

### Business Partners

A Business Partner is a company that partners with Lexington Christian Academy through their financial support to further the mission and purpose of LCA. Our Business Partners receive recognition on our school website, gym, athletic events, and social media depending on the level of partnership. This program allows you to enter into a partnership that will build mutually beneficial relationships between area businesses and the LCA community, support LCA with facility improvements, technology enhancements, athletics and more, and impact the lives of children's families who desire Christian education.

### Teachers Endowment

The LCA Teachers Endowment Fund exists to provide additional compensation and resources to its educators in addition to the budgetary allocations provided by the school. Gifts to the LCA Teachers Endowment are invested with Blue Grass Community Foundation and managed by MCF Advisors.

If you are wondering how donors support an endowment, they typically give to endowments through a variety of ways, which include outright donations, stock, or securities transfers or through planned giving. If you are interested by giving to our endowment or establishing a named endowment, please call (859) 422-5734.

# CULTURE OF PHILANTHROPY

## **Celebrate Teachers & Staff Campaign**

The 2023-2024 school year will represent the 22nd consecutive year of our providing a Christmas bonus to the teachers and staff who give so sacrificially to nurture and equip our students. In November, we will invite our families to support the ***Celebrate Teachers and Staff Campaign*** which provides all full and part-time faculty and staff members at LCA with a monetary Christmas bonus. We ask you to prayerfully consider this campaign during the holiday season.

## **Community Rewards Program**

Did you know every time you shop – or go out to eat – you can support Lexington Christian Academy? We invite you to participate in our other rewards programs through the following:

- **Bluegrass Hospitality Group** - <https://bluegrasshospitality.com/givebhg/>
- **Box Tops** - <https://www.boxtops4education.com/>
- **Kroger Community Reward Program** - <https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow/>

## **Other Ways to Support LCA:**

- Text "**GIVE**" to **859-600-6625**.
- Write a check for any amount and mail to: Advancement Office, c/o Lexington Christian Academy, 450 West Reynolds Rd., Lexington, KY 40503.
- **Donate Stocks/Securities** – Please call 859-422-5734 to learn more.
- **Company Matching Program** - Many companies offer matching funds to their employees who make gifts to qualified 501(c)3 organizations. This can allow donors to multiply their gift and provide further support to the school. Contact your human resource department to learn about your company's matching program.



# ATHLETICS

We strive to show excellence in everything, as God calls us to do in Colossians 3:23, "*Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters.*" And so, it is with LCA Athletics. Our staff and coaches work very hard every day to create the best possible atmosphere for our student-athletes. Our plan for success includes three elements.

- **Spirituality** – We will never waiver in our faith in Jesus Christ our Lord. Our desire is to honor and glorify His name and keep Him first in everything we do.
- **Coaches** – We will find the best possible coaches in their sport and in their walk with Christ. We will give them the tools and support they need to succeed.
- **Facilities** – We will strive to have the best athletic facilities in the state of Kentucky.

## ATHLETICS STAFF

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## 15 KHSAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Girls Basketball (2007)
- Girls Cross Country (2021)
- Girls Golf (2018, 2019)
- Girls Tennis (2002, 2005, 2006)
- Baseball (2005)
- Football (2009)
- Boys Golf (2010, 2011, 2017)
- Boys Cross Country (2015, 2016)
- Boys Track & Field (2016)

## ADDITIONAL HONORS

- 22 All "A" State Championships in 6 Different Sports
- 1 UCA Cheerleading National Championship (2019)
- 4 Junior High State Championships
- 101 Student-Athletes Signed to Play College Sports in the Past 7 Years
- 5 Mr./Miss Kentucky Sports Winners
- 4 National Christian Schools Athletic Association Players of the Year
- 1 Gatorade Kentucky Football Player of the Year

# ATHLETICS

## CONTACTS BY PROGRAM

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# ATHLETICS

## HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS (9-12th Grades)

- Archery
- Baseball
- Basketball (Boys & Girls)
- Cheer
- Cross Country
- Dance
- Football
- Golf (Boys & Girls)
- Lacrosse
- Soccer (Boys & Girls)
- Softball
- Swimming & Diving
- Tennis (Boys & Girls)
- Track & Field
- Volleyball

## MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMS (6-8TH Grades)

- Archery
- Baseball
- Basketball (Boys & Girls)
- Cheer
- Cross Country
- Dance
- Football
- Golf (Boys & Girls)
- Lacrosse
- Soccer (Boys & Girls)
- Softball
- Swimming & Diving
- Tennis (Boys & Girls)
- Track & Field
- Volleyball

## ELEMENTARY PROGRAMS (Eligible Grades Varies by Sport)

- Archery (4th-5th Grades)
- Basketball (4th-5th Grades)
- Cheer (4th-5th Grades)
- Cross Country (4th-5th Grades)
- Football (3rd-5th Grades)
- Golf (5th Grade)
- Lacrosse (2nd-5th Grades)
- Softball (4th-5th Grades)
- Swimming & Diving (4th-5th Grade)

## ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION FEES

### High School

- 1st sport \$575
- 2nd sport \$475
- 3rd sport \$375

### Junior High

- 1st sport \$375
- 2nd sport \$200
- 3rd sport \$200

### Elementary

- 1st, 2nd & 3rd sports are all \$200

### 6th Grade Academy

- 1st, 2nd & 3rd sports are all \$200

## SPORT SEASONS

- The Fall Sport Season officially begins on July 15.
- The Winter Sport Season begins on October 15.
- The Spring Sport Season begins on February 15.

# CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

## HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS (9-12th Grades)

- Academic Team
- Athletics
- Band & Orchestra
- Book Fair
- Cabaret
- Chick-fil-A Leadership Academy
- Chorus
- French Club
- Homecoming
- KUNA
- KYA
- Leadership Forum
- Leadership Trips
- Mission Trips
- Mu Alpha Theta
- Musical
- National Beta Club
- National Honor Society
- Outreach Programs
- Pep Band
- Prom
- Sandlot Baseball League
- Spirit Week
- Student Ambassador Program
- Student Athletic Council
- Student Government
- Students for Stewardship
- Tri-M Music Honor Society
- Trunk 'n Treat
- Yearbook

## MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMS (6-8TH Grades)

- Academic Team
- Athletics
- Band
- Biblical Leadership Program
- Book Fair
- Cabaret
- Chapel Committee
- Chorus
- Junior Beta Club
- Junior National Honor Society
- Leadership Trip
- Musical
- Orchestra
- Outreach Programs
- Robotics Team
- Spirit Week
- Student Ambassador Program
- Trunk 'n Treat
- Yearbook

## PRESCHOOL & ELEMENTARY PROGRAMS (Varies by Program & Grade Level)

- Academic Team
- Band & Orchestra
- Book Fair
- Chapel Committee
- Chorus
- Christmas Parties
- Christmas Program
- Field Day
- Field Trips
- Grandparents Day
- Outreach Programs
- Robotics Team
- Thanksgiving Feast
- Trunk 'n Treat
- Valentine's Day Parties

If you have questions regarding any of these programs, please email the Admissions Office at [admissions@lexingtonchristian.org](mailto:admissions@lexingtonchristian.org).

