



CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES ACADEMY

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Dear Prospective CMA Student and Parents,

We consider it a privilege to offer you this opportunity to learn more about the education you could receive at Christian Ministries Academy.

We are blessed to have a Christian School based in our church so that we can educate our children under the guidance of God's Word.

After reading the attached information and viewing the video we would be glad to give you a tour of our facilities.

Should you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to call our office, 501-624-1952.

Sincerely,

David Pate
Principal

Process for Enrollment At Christian Ministries Academy

- Read through *all* the materials emailed from the office and watch *The Vision* DVD at <http://www.cmchurch.com/cma.php>
- If you can see yourself placing your child/children under the vision of Christian Ministries Academy, have your minister/pastor fill out a Minister's Recommendation for each child. If you need more than one copy of the recommendation, please contact the CMA office.
- After the Minister's Recommendation has been received from your minister/pastor, CMA will contact you to set up an interview.
- Please bring the following with you to your child's interview:
 - Transcript from previous school
 - Copy of achievement test scores
 - Copy of latest report card
 - Copy of immunization records
 - Copy of student's birth certificate
 - Any other documents necessary or useful for placement

CMA's Vision for Education

CMA is a Christian school. It is specifically designed to give the finest academic education to those students who are prepared mentally and spiritually to receive Godly instruction.

At CMA, academics are considered a priority, but never at the expense of spiritual growth. CMA believes that the object of education is the formation of character; and that no child is prepared to make their contribution to the future without the character of Christ having been formed within.

The tenets of orthodox evangelical Christianity are fully embraced by CMA; and parents or guardians should be aware that includes the acceptance of the WHOLE Bible as the relevant and inerrant Word of God. CMA also acknowledges that the primary responsibility for shaping the beliefs of children lies with the parents and the local church and that the school operates by their delegated authority.

The Purpose Behind CMA

Christian Ministries Academy is resolved to produce World-Changers. The challenge of the future will require men and women of vision, courage, and ability; and it is CMA's resolute purpose that these brave new leaders be found in the ranks of its graduates.

CMA is openly committed to the biblical view of God, world, and of life. The purposes and objectives of the Christian school are based upon this view. No subject can be taught in totality of its truth if the creator, God, is ignored or denied. Education that omits this is only partial truth.

The training of children is regarded as the joint responsibility of the home, church, and the school. The word of God makes it clear that Christian parents want their children educated at home and at school with the consciousness that all truth is God's truth, and that Jesus Christ is to be central in all learning and living. All of this we seek to do using superior Christian curriculum.

Statement of Doctrines

While we are interdenominational, doctrinally, we hold to these basic fundamental teachings of the Bible, God's word:

1. The inspiration of the Bible, equally in all parts and without error in its origin.
2. The one God, eternally existent Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who created man by a direct immediate act.
3. The pre-existence, incarnation, virgin birth, sinless life, miracle, substitutionary death, bodily resurrection, ascension to heaven, and the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.
4. The fall of man, the need of regeneration by the operation of the Holy Spirit on the basis of grace alone, and the resurrection of all; to life or damnation.
5. The spiritual relationship of all believers in the Lord Jesus Christ, living a life of righteous works, separated from the world, witnessing of his saving grace through the ministry of the Holy Spirit.
6. We believe in the baptism in the Holy Spirit with evidence of speaking with tongues as the spirit of God gives utterance, that all of the gifts of the Holy Spirit are valid and operative today, and that the fruit of the Holy Spirit should be increasingly evident in a Christian's life.

A FEW THINGS CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES ACADEMY CANNOT DO FOR YOUR CHILD

1. Christian Ministries Academy cannot be a substitute for a quality home environment.

The number one training influence in the life of a child is his or her home. A parent, more than teachers and preachers combined, is the primary model for children to follow. Parents are the “pattern makers” for Christian living, attitudes toward life, attitudes toward others, work ethics, basic manners, money management, health habits, manner of speech, goal setting and study habits. Pastor Chuck Swindoll says, “Home is where life makes up its mind.” *Quite frankly, the impact of the Christian school is severely limited if the home is not what it ought to be. No teacher can compensate for an unstable home.*

2. Christian Ministries Academy cannot guarantee a perfect school environment.

Some parents are unrealistic about other students in their child’s Christian school. They expect a degree of perfection among mortals that simply is not attainable on Earth. I am sure you have heard it said that “If you find the perfect church – don’t join it – you will ruin it.” Christian schools are decidedly better than the secular public school alternative, but they are not perfect. Students come to the Christian school with varying degrees of spiritual maturity. There is a wide variety of intellectual ability, emotional development, home training and personality patterns among the students in any school, including the Christian school. The typical Christian school setting is not the “sheltered environment” that critics make them out to be. Remember, any time two or more people get together in any kind of institution there is room for improvement in at least one of them. If this were not so, there would be no need for Christian schools.

3. Christian Ministries Academy cannot increase the level of your child’s intelligence.

It simply is not true that we are all created equal. In the broadest sense, in a free society we are created with an equal opportunity. But God has fashioned each of us with varying degrees of intelligence, imagination, and drive. Christian school educators cannot, nor should they, push a child beyond his or her ability to perform. Children need a reasonable level of intellectual

stretching and academic challenge, but caring Christian school teachers cannot perform nor should they attempt to perform “academic miracles” to please parents who may have an unrealistic view of their children’s abilities. Parents and teachers alike should know that a child’s academic success in school is only part of the total composite of qualities that God can use to make a person worthy of our respect, love and admiration. Never judge a child’s future worth to the world on his current academic prowess in school.

4. Christian Ministries Academy cannot duplicate parental love and support.

Most adults have forgotten the emotional stress we experienced as children at school. The very nature of a school requires that it maintain an orderly disciplined environment if learning is to occur. The process of learning can be emotionally stressful and mentally stretching. Parents can greatly reduce the pressure of learning our children may feel by encouraging them, inspiring them and loving them.

Children and young people need parental love and support when they experience disappointment in a youthful friendship or even a youthful romance that has “gone sour.” It happens. It’s part of the process of growing up and parents can help immeasurably with their understanding.

5. Christian Ministries Academy cannot replace the spiritual influence of a parent.

Read the words of Moses in Deuteronomy 6:6-9, “These commandments that I give you today are to be upon 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. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.” Christian school education may be frustrating for your child if the Christian principles taught at school are not a continuation of the Christian principles taught in your home. If yours is not a Christian home, I urge you to respond to the invitation of Jesus Christ, the incomparable Savior of the world. Accept Him as your personal Savior and then in His strong name, train your family in a manner that will please Him. You will not regret it.

Christian school education is a major force for good in the lives of our children. It can be enhanced if the church, the home, and the school are all on the same spiritual and academic frequency.

Christian Ministries Academy

Detailed Tuition Information

There is a one-time registration fee of \$200.00.
(Save \$100 off of your registration fee by enrolling by May 1st)

If you would like to pay for the full year in advance, the one-time tuition cost is as follows:

For Christian Ministries members***

\$1,200.00 for students 1st grade through 12th grade

For non-members

\$2,400.00 for students 1st grade through 12th grade

The payment in advance is due by August 1st.

Tuition fees per month per student are as follows:

For Christian Ministries members***

\$115.00 for students 1st grade through 12th grade

For non-members

\$215.00 for students 1st grade through 12th grade

The first payment is due August 1st, and the payment schedule consists of 12 payments through July 1st.

CMA will charge a late payment fee of \$10.00 for those monthly payments received after the 10th of the month.

Each student will be responsible for his/her books, and these books will be purchased at the beginning of the school year. The cost will be on an individual basis, and will be dependent upon particular courses taken by each student. The costs for your student's books will be added to the monthly bill for August, and be sent to you at that time.

*** As a committed member of Christian Ministries Church (one whose support is demonstrated by the faithfulness of their attendance and the giving of their tithe – which is 10% of their time, talent, and finances), CMA is delighted to extend to your student(s) a reduced tuition amount as listed above.

MINISTER'S RECOMMENDATION

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT

Applicant's Full Name _____ Grade Entering _____

Parent(s) Name(s) _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone (_____) _____

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE MINISTER

To the Minister:

The student named on this form has made application for admission to Christian Ministries Academy. We feel it necessary to have your personal guidance and counsel before accepting the applicant. We ask that you respond with as much specific information as you feel comfortable providing about the applicant. Please discuss home life, significant experiences, etc., that would be beneficial in our interview with them. If there is information concerning this person that you would prefer to discuss personally, please check the space provided and I will make arrangements to discuss the matter by phone.

The reference is of utmost importance, so should you need more space please attach an additional sheet.

We know that your schedule is busy; please mail this to us as quickly as possible, as the applicant's consideration for acceptance will be pending until we receive this form from you. You can also fax the completed form to 501-318-2624.

Sincerely,
Paul Kern
Principal
Christian Ministries Academy

Return this completed form to:
Christian Ministries Academy
P.O. Box 8500
Hot Springs, AR 71910

Phone: 501-624-1952
Fax: 501-318-2624

MINISTER'S RECOMMENDATION

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE MINISTER

Minister's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone (_____) _____

Church Name and Denomination _____

Phone (_____) _____ Email _____

What is your relationship to the applicant? _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

How well do you know the applicant? Very Well Well Casually

To your knowledge does the applicant Smoke Drink alcoholic beverages Use illegal drugs None of these

How would you describe the applicant's church relationship and Christian commitment? (circle as many as necessary)

Sympathetic Enthusiastic Tolerant Warm Hearted
Respectful Critical Passive Loving

What do you consider to be the applicant's strengths? _____

Describe the applicant's outlook on life (i.e. lifestyles, values, attitudes, etc.) _____

Discuss areas concerning which the applicant might need special attention _____

How do you evaluate the applicant's willingness to change? _____

How do you consider the applicant's willingness to submit to authority? _____

How would you rate the applicant in the areas listed below? (check appropriately)

	Highest									Lowest
	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Emotional Stability										
Peer Relationship										
Spiritual Maturity										
Moral Integrity										
Intelligence										
Social Readiness										

As the referent I recommend the applicant without reservation strongly with reservations

not recommended I prefer further discussion please call _____

Signed _____ Church _____