

Adams County Christian School Admission Requirements and Eligibility Criteria

Policy and Procedure

Adams County Christian School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin, and guarantees all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate based on race, color, national, socioeconomic status, and ethnic origin in the administration of its education policies, admission policies, scholarship programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

A child must reach the appropriate age (5 or 6 years of age) on or before August 1 for the school year in which he/she applies. The child shall also exhibit appropriate intellectual, physical, emotional, behavioral, and social development, as determined by a representative of the school.

Admissions Criteria

Our admission criteria is built on the assumption that Adams County Christian School is in a partnership with Christian families. The following criteria is used to determine if our school is the right fit for your child at this time.

- At least one parent or guardian has a personal testimony of a relationship with Jesus Christ.
- There is membership in, or regular attendance at, a church in which the Bible is sincerely believed to be the inspired word of God which is the basis for all life and learning.
- There is an understanding of and agreement with the mission of Adams County Christian School to provide children with a Christ-centered education in which Jesus Christ is acknowledged in every area of life.
- There is a commitment on the part of the parents to support the work of Adams County Christian School through prayer, volunteering, and faithfully meeting all financial obligations.
- Each student gives evidence of a commitment to the learning process based on past records and entrance interviews.
- Each student gives evidence of or potential for emotional stability, a satisfactory behavior records that lines up with biblical principal, and adequate social adjustment.

Exceptions to the above criteria can be made on a case-by-case basis as approved by the Adams County Christian School Board.

For students meeting the criteria above and who provide the required documentation, a decision may be made on enrollment by the school Administrator and Principal immediately following the interview process. For students who do not meet the criteria above, provide the required documentation, or in the case that the Dean of Faculty and Students and Educational Director do not agree on the enrollment, the application must be brought to the admission committee by the Superintendent for review and approval. The initial review and approval by the committee may take place via e-mail, or, an interview may be requested with the prospective student and family. The admissions committee may make an exception to the above criteria and choose to allow the enrollment of a student who does not meet these criteria, by majority vote.

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Step 1. THE APPLICATION PROCESS

The following items are included in the application process:

- Fill out an admissions application and turn in to the school along with the documents listed below:
 - Medical and Personal Records – Certified copy of birth certificate (required for K-5 applicants only); immunization record, student social security, current utility bill verifying address.
 - School Records – Transcripts, current standardized test results. If no current nationally-normed test results are available, a screening conducted by ACCS may be required. Acceptance into ACCS is contingent on final review of records.
 - Recommendations – Completed reference forms are required from the student's current principal or school counselor, teacher(s), **OR** family pastor or youth pastor.

Step 2. SCHEDULE AN INTERVIEW

Parents of prospective applicants are required to have an interview with the principal and/or administrator. All students must be present and engaged in the interview. An interview is scheduled only after the application process has been completed. For students who do not meet eligibility requirements for enrollment, a review and potential interview by the admissions committee will take place. Exceptions to admissions criteria can be made on a case-by-case basis as determined by the admissions committee.

03/04/2022
Policy Effective Date

Personal Reference Questionnaire for
Admission into the Adams County Christian School

Name of Applicant: _____

To the individual providing reference:

The candidate's guardian name above has given your name as a personal reference. Your evaluation of this candidate in the areas listed below will assist us as we consider him/her as an eligible applicant for the Adams County Christian School. The information you provide will remain confidential by the committee. We greatly appreciate your response. Note: When responding to the referenced "candidate below" you are evaluating the family as a whole. Please mail or drop off this form to 187 Willow Drive, West Union, Ohio 45693.

How long have you known the candidate? ___ Years ___ Months

How well do you know this applicant? ___ Very well ___ Well ___ Casually

What is/was your relationship with this candidate and their family, or in what capacity do you know them?

Share something about the candidate's family.

How is the candidate's family involved in his/her ministry?

Additional comments.

Please select your recommendation of the candidate for a Christian School setting:

- Highly
- Without reservation
- With reservations
- Not considered
- Prefer not to make specific considerations

Name of Person Giving the Reference

Phone Number

May we call you if we have additional questions? ___ YES ___ No

PRESCHOOL APPLICATION

School Year 20__ - 20__

An interview with the Dean of Students and Faculty and possible testing of the student, along with Board approval may be necessary for acceptance. A copy of birth certificate, shot record and social security card will be needed upon acceptance.

Student Name: _____
Last First Middle

Goes By: _____

Home Address: _____

City State Zip
Home Phone: _____ S.S. Number: _____

Cell Phone Mother/Guardian: _____ Cell Phone Father/Guardian: _____

E-mail address Mother/Guardian: _____

E-mail address Father/Guardian: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Ethnicity: _____
Month Day Year

Birthplace: _____
City State County Zip

Father: _____ Living? Circle Yes or No

Living with family? Circle Yes or No

Mother: _____ Living? Circle Yes or No

Living with family? Circle Yes or No

Do you have any objections to photos of your child being used on our website of Facebook page, yearbook, or local newspapers? _____ Yes _____ No

If the student lives with a care giver other than the parents, please list the names below.

Step-father _____ Phone _____ Step-mother _____ Phone _____

Grandparents _____ Phone _____

Guardian _____ Phone _____

Do you have any objections to photos of your child being used in our newsletter, yearbook, or local newspapers? _____

Office use only Interview date: _____ Accepted Not Accepted

____ Welcome letter sent _____ Added to school system _____ Added to one call
____ Birth Certificate and SSN card _____ Ed Choice App
____ Physical Form from Doctor _____ Current utility bill

State in detail why you wish the applicant to attend ACCS: _____

To the best of my knowledge all statements are true and complete.

Date: _____ Your signature _____

NONDISCRIMINATORY POLICY

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Statement of personal Christian experience and faith by each parent of guardian:

Your name: _____ Relationship to applying student: _____

Your personal Statement:

Your name: _____ Relationship to applying student: _____

Your personal Statement:

Occupation and place of employment

#1 Occupation: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____
State Zip

Phone: () _____

#2 Occupation: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____
State Zip

Phone: () _____

Does student have an IEP ___ Yes ___ No 504 Plan ___ Yes ___ No

Student's rank in family: 1 2 3 4 5 6 No. of brothers _____ No. of sisters _____

Circle last grade attended: P K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 OR Current grade now _____

Name of school student last attended: _____

Address: _____ Phone: () _____
Zip: _____

Has applying student ever repeated a grade? No ___ Yes ___ Grade ___

Reason for repeating: _____

Has applying student ever had a serious discipline problem been suspended or expelled? ___ No ___ Yes

If yes, please explain: _____

Does the applying student have any mental, emotional, or physical handicaps which may affect his or her activities or progress, or for some reason should be known by the teacher to better serve the student?

Who referred you to Adams County Christian School? _____

How did you find out about the school? _____

Church membership or denominational affiliation of each parent or guardian:

#1 Church now attending: _____

Regular _____ Address: _____

Irregular _____

Seldom _____ Pastor: _____

#2 Church now attending: _____

Regular _____ Address: _____

Irregular _____

Seldom _____ Pastor: _____

Applying student: Church now attending: _____

Regular _____ Address: _____

Irregular _____

Seldom _____ Pastor: _____

Parent's Pledge of Acceptance

We, as parents who are accepting the challenge, "to train up a child in the way he should go," do place our trust in the Adams County Christian School, to help us extend that training more completely.

We do hereby state that we have made a thorough investigation of the curriculum, statement of faith, texts, equipment, methods, testing, counseling, discipline and motives of the school, and do pledge to make them our glad-hearted choice for the coming year.

We pledge that if, for any reason, our child does not respond favorably to the school, we will not try to change the school to fit his needs, but will withdraw him quietly and without delay. (A six-week probation period is adequate for most entering students. The one who has not adjusted by the end of twelve weeks should be withdrawn).

We acknowledge that this is a Christian School and as such, our child will be encouraged to attend a church of their own choosing. We also acknowledge that the school encourages us to attend with our child.

We pledge our loyal support to the school through praying for its program, giving to its school extension fund as we are able, and by paying the tuition payments regularly and on time.

We hereby invest authority in the school to discipline our child as necessary. We further agree that we will cooperate and discipline our child in the home as needed. (Prov. 13:24; 19:18; 22:6; 23:13-14; 29:15,17; Col. 3:20; and Heb. 12:6)

We pledge our fullest cooperation to keep doctrinal controversy and denominationalism out of the school at all times. (Rom. 13:8-10; I Cor. 12:12-14; Gal 5:13-15, 25, 26; Eph. 4:1-7).

We understand that assessments will be made to cover damage to school property (including window breakage, etc.)

ACCS is not a lending organization, neither is it licensed to make loans for tuition, books, or any expenses the student may owe for, therefore, I/we, _____ and _____, agree to obtain any and all monies owed to ACCS from such source that I/we choose. I/we will be prompt in paying all expenses owed to ACCS by the student, _____ (student's name), and I/we also understand that I/we will be charged a "late" fee. If I/we are one month late with our payment, I/we understand that we will be asked to appear before the ACCS Board to explain our situation. I/we have read the above statement and I/we totally agree with it.

We, as parents (or guardian) of the student applicant, do sincerely give our pledge to all items as stated above.

Parent Signature (or guardian) _____ Date _____

Parent Signature (or guardian) _____ Date _____

Release of Students /School Emergency Information

Student's name: _____ Grade _____

Please list additional contacts other than you to help us reach you in case of an emergency and that your child can be released to.

Please note that IN ALL CASES, if anyone other than those listed below arrives to pick up your child, you must have given the school prior permission. We are extremely careful to prevent any tragedy that could result from an error in such a situation. Please be patient and ask your friends to understand if we ask for identification before allowing them to leave with your child.

If any name on this list changes, or you need to add a name, please contact the office and stop in and make the necessary changes on this form.

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

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Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Other information we should know: _____

Please list anyone FORBIDDEN to pick up your child. Is there a court order? _____

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

Signature: _____ Relationship to student: _____