

# WELCOME

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for expressing interest in Lions Gate Christian Academy. We are pleased to provide you with our application package.

Lions Gate Christian Academy was established in 1994 to provide quality Christian education for Christian families. We are committed to equipping young people to walk with God, be critical thinkers and prepare them to influence their society for God.

Should you have any questions after reading through this material, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Please keep in mind that completing an application does not guarantee acceptance. We want to ensure that Lions Gate Christian Academy is the right school for your child(ren)'s education.

May God guide you as you prayerfully make this important decision.

Sincerely,

Adam Reid

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Principal



# INTRODUCTION

Lions Gate Christian Academy

Lions Gate Christian Academy is a Christian day school for boys and girls in Kindergarten through Grade 12. The school is operated by the Lions Gate Christian Academy Association, an independent non-profit society.

Lions Gate Christian Academy opened in September 1994 with grades Kindergarten to Grade three. Situated in North Vancouver, the school has added grades in subsequent years.

The school is interdenominational and as such is not controlled by any particular church. Based on its Statement of Faith the school is Evangelical in its Christian views.

Lions Gate Christian Academy is a school that has high expectations for its students. High expectations in every aspect of school life prepares each student for a life of serving God and people.

Our well-qualified staff plays a significant role in making our school a Christian school. Our teachers are accredited by the BC Teacher Registered Branch. Our TAs and SEAs are well trained and receive regular Professional Development. All of the teachers and our teaching staff at LGCA contribute to your child's education in the caring way we interact with each other and your child(ren).



# PURPOSE STATEMENT

"LGCA is a community rooted in the teachings of Jesus, where all students are loved, challenged, and equipped to be purposeful contributors in their communities"

# **PURPOSE & GOALS**

# **PURPOSE**

Lions Gate Christian Academy was established to assist parents in providing Christian education for students on the North Shore.

At Lions Gate Christian Academy, the purpose of Christian education is to direct and guide the child towards a saving knowledge and trust in Jesus Christ the Truth; to attain understanding, wisdom and righteousness and to lead to responsible service to the Lord in all areas of life.

#### **GOALS**

Our goals are to:

- Help each child see that he/she is a special person created by God for a special purpose in life.
- Give direction to the students by helping them understand the nature of sin and its effect on all creation, and how God, through his plan of salvation through Jesus Christ redeems His people.
- Develop the students' skills in all subject areas for the purpose of furthering their education and worshipping and glorifying God The Father.
- Teach students how to examine and use information from a Christian perspective.
- ☼ Encourage students to develop both Christian and behavioral attitudes which kindle a desire for learning now and in the future.
- ‡ Encourage students to pursue excellence in both their course work and obedience to God as well as being productive citizens.
- † Encourage students to interpret all subjects in the light of God's Word.

Christian students are in the world but not of it; therefore the school will equip and challenge students to critique the world's presuppositions based on God's Word.



# STATEMENT OF FAITH

- The Holy Scriptures are verbally inspired of God and are our only infallible rule of faith and practice.
- † There is only one God eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- \$\Psi\$ Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary and is true God and man.
- Whoever by faith, apart from works of any kind, receives the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour is "born from above" (born again) and thereby becomes a child of God "created in Christ Jesus to do good works."
- The Holy Spirit lives in the believer and enables him to walk in purity of life and submission to the will of God.

## **Philosophy of Christian Education**

The responsibility to train children has been given by God, first and foremost to parents. Parents carefully consider how best to meet the needs of each unique child to attempt to bring each one to his/her full potential.

A Christian School is unique in its relationship with parents, acting as a supplement to the Christian home. Since the school is an extension of the parent's convictions, we present our philosophy of education for your consideration and understanding.

# **The Foundation of a Christian Education**

The foundation of a Christian education is the belief that truth is absolute. Truth is then the basis on which the integration of faith and learning must build. "What is truth?" For the Christian, answers are found in God; He is truth. He is willing to communicate that truth and has done so in three ways:

- ⊕ General Revelation The World of God in which we live and the laws of God that regulate the sustenance of life.
- The Incarnate Revelation The living Word of God, "the Word became flesh ... we beheld His glory ... full of grace and truth."
- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ Special Revelation The written Word of God, the Bible. The word is truth and this revelation has been preserved by God for centuries.

God's truth is best communicated through Christian Education with the following elements:

- $\Phi$  It begins with parents who believe education should be Bible centered and God centered.
  - "Parents, do not exasperate your children: Instead bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord." Ephesians 6:4
- A curriculum that is based in God's Word as truth, viewing the world and ourselves from His perspective.
  - "Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it." Proverbs 22:6
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- A child's peer group should be a positive and Christ-like influence.
- A church family that is united with the parents and school completes the child's environment and represents a harmony of Christ-like training. This is the way children grow to be transformers of our society.
  - "You are the salt of the earth...you are the light of the world." Matthew 5:13,14.

These basis truths from God's Word form the foundation on which to educate our children. Only Christ-centered education gives true wisdom, for "In Christ are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." **Colossians 2:3.** 



# **Goals of Christian Education**

**PREAMBLE:** We believe that education is not complete without the moral and spiritual development of the student.

- **ACADEMIC:** We believe that the child's education must meet or surpass the standards as set forth by the British Columbia Ministry of Education.
- P SPIRITUAL: We believe that Christian teachers using quality curriculum with a Biblical perspective will produce students with an appreciation of discipline and authority, an understanding of moral values and a true knowledge of God.
- PHYSICAL: Our goal is to provide a well-rounded physical education program that includes gymnasium activities, as well as selected outdoor sports and skills.
- **EMOTIONAL:** We seek to provide a classroom and school atmosphere, which is conductive to healthy teacher-student relationships, and maintain an environment where students are safe and eager and able to learn.
- **MORAL:** We seek to integrate Biblical morality into the entire school environment.
- **SOCIAL/INTERPERSONAL:** We seek to train students in the knowledge and skills of kind and respectful behaviour and communication.



# **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

(Kindergarten – Grade 7)

# **ACADEMICS**

The formative years of a child are important, as a foundation is being established in their lives. The elementary years in a Christian school are significant in building that foundation. Goals for this level of education address the academics, the spiritual, physical, emotional, moral and social skills areas. The inquisitive minds of children explore and learn about God's creation and gain an understanding and appreciation of the various aspects that make the world and its various communities. Students will understand how they fit into God's scheme of things and how they are to be bearers of His image.

Each student is a child of God, uniquely created to worship and serve Him. Students are given the opportunity to develop their Godgiven abilities. As members of the student body, each child is to respect all other students exhibiting encouragement, support and good manners. The school community is safe and caring, enabling students to focus on their work.

# In the elementary school:

- Parent participation is encouraged.
- Regular communication is maintained with the home.
- \$\P\$ Students have access to a computer lab.
- The PE program includes activities such as skating and swimming.
- † Full Learning Support Program.
- ♣ An outdoor education program beginning at Grade 6.

## **SERVICE OUTREACH**

Students are taught and given opportunities to serve and reach out to others. Students participate in food drives for the local food bank, Samaritan Purse shoebox for children overseas, singing for the senior citizens or for patients at the hospital, and cleaning up garbage in the community.



# HIGH SCHOOL

(Grades 8 - 12)

The High School program continues to build on the foundation of the elementary program to help students further develop their education skills. During these years, young people go through many changes as they mature physically, emotionally and spiritually. The school strives to remain sensitive to the needs of individual students and to support and equip them through its programs. Much time is spent on the academics and equipping students to think Christianly in all subject areas.

#### In the High School:

- \$\Psi\$ Students are offered a variety of electives.
- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ Students are challenged to excel in all subject areas.
- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ Students are given opportunities for community service.

# **ACADEMICS**

Students enroll in the core academic subjects including Math, Sciences, Social Studies, English, French, Bible and PE. Electives combine with the core subjects to complete the program. These elective subjects will vary based on the school's means to offer them. Currently, the electives we offer include Fine Arts (Art, Photography, Digital Imagery and Band), Computers, Outdoor Education and Home Economics.

# **ATHLETICS**

Athletics plays a vital role in the life of the students and the school. Students are encouraged to participate in the various sports. Teams are organized for cross-country, volleyball, basketball, floor hockey, swimming, golf, tennis and badminton.

## **SERVICE OUTREACH**

Students will reach out to the community through service opportunities. Some of the same outreach services will be utilized as in the elementary school. But at the High School level, students will be challenged to assist with other ministries such as the Union Gospel Mission. Students will also have the opportunity to participate with third world countries to assist in the building of Christian schools. Our students are trained to impact the world for God.



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# MONTHLY TUITION FEES

(2024/2025)

Ten Monthly Payments commencing September 2024

	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
GRADE	First (Oldest) Child	Second Child	Third Child	Fourth Child
Kindergarten to Grade 3	880	485	305	185
Grade 4 to Grade 7	905	525	335	210
Grade 8 to Grade 12	965	550	355	220

✓ Kindergarten is full-day program – Monday to Friday.

# **EXAMPLES**:

(A)A family with two childrenone in Grade 1 and one in Grade 5 would pay the following monthly:

(B)A family with three children-one in Grade 8, Grade 3 and Kindergarten would pay the following monthly:

Grade 5 Grade 1 Total Monthly fee 905.00 Grade 8

485.00 Grade 3

1,390.00 Kindergarten

Total monthly fee

485.00 305.00 **1,755.00** 

965.00

A charitable donation receipt for tax purposes will be issued annually for the portion of tuition paid that pertains to religious instruction. The amount varies from year to year and is calculated in accordance with the Canada Revenue Agency requirements.

# **OTHER SCHOOL-RELATED EXPENSES/FEES:**

School uniforms approximately \$600, Bible \$30/child

Application Fee: \$200 per student (Non-refundable)

Annual Re-registrations: \$200 per family (Non-refundable)



# POLICIES RELATING TO TUITION PAYMENTS

Standard tuition rates apply to all students admitted to the school. The following policies apply unless arrangements have been made with the office.

- Tuition is due in 10 payments on the 1st or 15th day of the month starting in September and ending in June via the direct A. deposit payment method. Please complete the Direct Payment Enrollment Form and enclose a VOID cheque when registering.
  - (form provided in application package)
- B. Annual Payment – If tuition is to be paid for the entire year it must be submitted by the first day of classes. The annual tuition payment can be made by cash, cheque or money order.
- C. The Board considers that all unpaid tuition accounts are still due to Lions Gate Christian Academy, unless arrangements have been made with the office.
- D. When it is necessary for a student to voluntarily withdraw from the school for any reason, one full school month's notice must be given together with the payment of the tuition fee for the complete month.
- E. Children of parents owing overdue tuition or other obligations, e.g., repayment for lost or vandalized books and equipment, will not be readmitted to Lions Gate Christian Academy the following year until obligations have been met or arrangements made to deal with them.
- F. When a student is expelled or withdrawn at the recommendation of the school, tuition will be due up until the date of expulsion or withdrawal. A refund of the un-expired portion of the month will be made.



# EMEREGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

#### **Dear Parents**

In order to enhance our students' safety and well-being, we have expanded our school's efforts to prepare for an emergency. The North Shore school districts and municipalities use the earthquake scenario for emergency planning because we live in an earthquake-prone area of BC and because it covers other possible hazards such as fires, traffic disruption, an evacuation and so on.

The school is prepared to care for your children in the event of a critical situation, or if parents/alternates are unable to reach the school.

Should we experience a disaster we ask for your co-operation as follows:

- Please do not phone the school following a disaster. We must keep the lines open for outgoing emergency calls.
- Following an earthquake or another emergency, please do not drive to the school. Streets and access to the school may be littered with debris, and school access routes and street entrances must remain clear for emergency vehicles.
- Turn on your battery-operated radio or car radio to any available station for emergency information and directions.
- As soon as it is safe to travel, we request that parents or alternates travel by foot to school to retrieve their children, if possible.
- **No students will be released from the school unless a previously authorized parent/guardian or alternate (identified in your Application Form ) comes for the students.**
- ‡ Ensure you have permission from the alternates and that they are aware of the school's emergency policies and procedures.
- † All parents/alternates who come to pick up children must sign the students out at the school office
- Please familiarize yourself with the school's emergency preparedness plans and procedures as outlined in this letter.

We also suggest that it is very beneficial to participate in a Personal or Neighborhood Preparedness Program.



# STUDENT 'COMFORT KITS'

As part of our Emergency Response Plan at Lions Gate Christian Academy, we developed a program where personal emergency packs were assembled to help comfort our students in the event of an emergency situation. We call these personal packs 'Comfort Kits'. Each classroom has a 'grab and go bag' containing the students' individual 'comfort kits' which can be grabbed by teachers in case the school is evacuated due to an earthquake or other crisis situation.

#### **New Kits: (For students enrolling in LGCA)**

Please complete the comfort kit in a medium sized zip lock bag ensuring that your child's full name (first and last name) is written on the outside of the bag. with the items listed below. When completed, return it to your child's new classroom teacher. The school will include the Earthquake information form which was completed with your registration.

The comfort kit should include the following items:

- ♣ A Tetra-pak juice-box (250ml.) no carbonated drinks please.
- \$\Psi\$ 2 Granola Bars, fruit leathers or other non-perishable high-energy snack.
- ↑ 2 Band-aids
- A short note from you to your child, to reassure them. Some suggestions as to what you might include in your note:
  - ✓ Words of comfort reassure them that God is watching over them; that you love them very much and that you are praying for them
  - ✓ Reminder to listen to the teacher and stay with the class group
  - ✓ Assurance that the school is prepared to care for them until you or the alternate contacts (give their names) are able to come for them.
- A small toy (optional) that would help comfort your child
- A photograph of your family (if available) also to provide comfort to your child
- ♣ A garbage bag which can be used as a rain poncho or to sit on
- ♣ A solar blanket (available at the Dollar Store)

We would appreciate having you return your child's 'Comfort Kit' to their teacher as soon as possible...

If emergency contact information changes during the year, please contact the school immediately so that our details are always current in case of an emergency.

Sincerely,

Adam Reid - Principal

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# SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Dear Lions Gate Christian Academy families,

# CAMBRIDGE UNIFORMS

#### WELCOME TO CAMBRIDGE UNIFORMS

We are honoured to be the uniform provider for Lions Gate Christian Academy and look forward to assisting you with your child(ren)'s uniforms. This letter will outline how to place your orders, how to connect with our team for assistance and also provides important information about when to place your orders for the school year starting September 2024.

Your back to school shopping can be done either online or at our retail store. Please ensure you visit the store designated to serve your school.

## YOUR SCHOOL IS SERVICED FROM OUR DOLLARTON LOCATION

#112-2455 Dollarton Hwy, North Vancouver, BC, V7H 0A2

At Cambridge Uniforms we will do our very best to have everything in place for the start of the coming school year. Some shipment delays are expected and ordering early will help to ensure your items are ready for your child(ren)'s back to school requirements.

We do our very best to plan for the unpredictable. We ask for your help to plan ahead for your child(ren)'s uniforms.

STORE HOURS OF OPERATION: 9:30 am - 5:30 pm Monday-Saturday, closed Sundays and Statutory holidays.

### **CONTACT US**

If you have questions we are here to help.

The best way to reach us is through our contact us page online.

We experience a high volume of emails and calls in August and September. We will always do our best to reply to you in a timely manner.

We appreciate your kindness and understanding should there be delays during this time.

We thank you for taking care of your uniform requirements by June 15th and wish you and your child(ren) a successful year ahead.

Warm regards, CAMBRIDGE UNIFORMS



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#### **STEP 1: ACCOUNT**

Whether you plan to shop online or in store you will require an online account.

- New families: Create an account at your earliest convenience on our website at www.cambridgeuniforms.com. Your online school code is: ATE432
- Returning families: Log into your existing account and ensure your email, telephone number and shipping address are current.

#### **STEP 2: SIZING**

#### **NEW FAMILIES, SIZING**

- If you are new to Cambridge Uniforms or your child(ren)'s sizing has changed considerably we suggest an in-store fitting.
- During your visit to our store our staff will guide you through the uniform policy while fitting your child(ren). You will leave with your uniform. Any items that are unavailable will be shipped to you once they are in stock. This is a complimentary shipment.
- Fittings for new students will take 30-45 minutes.

Store capacity impacts the number of families we can serve in a day. If you are able to shop online we encourage this. If you are visiting the store we ask that only 1 parent be in attendance with the child(ren) requiring assistance. It is best to book an online appointment so you can be assisted at the time you choose. You may book your fitting online through our website. Thank you for your patience and understanding should there be wait times to enter the store.

## RETURNING FAMILIES, SIZING

- If you have ordered uniforms in the past year you can access your sizing details in your online account. In most cases students require one size up unless they have had a significant growth spurt.
- If there are only a couple of items that you require sizing assistance with you may book an online zoom fitting.

We suggest that you have your current uniform on hand which will help during your online fitting. Please also ensure you have a tape measure available.

- Try using the smart sizing tool called "What's my size / Calculate my size". This is found in the size chart of each garment. Follow the guidelines for measuring, enter your child's measurements and a size is suggested based on the measurements provided.
- Re-ordering online is easy and orders are shipped to your home or can be picked up in store.

For information on our return policy, please follow the link.





# PRIMARY SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

Supply List	Gr. K	Gr. 1	Gr. 2	Gr. 3
Large Box of Kleenex	2	2	2	2
1 Box of Crayola Broad Line Markers (10 pack) Gr K & 1 unlabelled 2 labelled in pencil case	1	1	1	
1 Box of Crayola Fine Line Markers (24 pack)				1
Pencil Crayons (24 pack) 2&3 labelled in pencil case		1	1	1
Box of Crayola Crayons (24)	1			
Box of Crayola Oil Pastels (16)				1
Hilroy Unlined/Plain Exercise Book 72 pgs. (blue)	1			1
Hilroy Half Plain, Half Interlined Exercise Book 72 pgs. (green)		2	2	
Hilroy Exercise Book 8mm Ruling, Full page lined 72 pgs. (red)		1		1
1 pair wired, over the ear headphones (not wireless or rechargeable)  Labelled in a large Ziploc bag		1	1	1
Yellow Duotang (no other color)		1		
Large Ziploc Bags (labelled with child's name)	4	2	2	1
1 Pencil Box (labelled)			1	1
Large T-shirt to be used as an art smock			1	1
Large Glue Sticks (not Dollar Store)	2	2	2	4
Package of 10 HB pencils Gr K, 1, 2 unlabelled Grade 3 labelled in pencil case	1	1	1	2
Sharpener (Good Quality)				2
White erasers		2	2	3
Highlighters (different colors)				2
30cm ruler				1
Black Sharpie (permanent marker)				2
Scissors				1
Coil Bound Notebook with lined paper (80-100pg)				1
Non-Spill Water bottle (with Name on it)	1	1	1	1

We ask that you remove ALL packaging and send these supplies with your child on the first day of school.



# INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

Label all supplies with your child's name	Gr. 4	Gr. 5	Gr. 6	Gr. 7
Duotangs (not plastic) 1 each <b>Of</b> Green, white, black, light blue, dark blue, Red, Yellow, Orange, purple.			1 of all colours (9)	1 of all colours (9)
Large (35g) glue sticks * (not Dollar Store)	2	2	4	4
Large box of Kleenex tissue *	2	2	2	2
80 Page Exercise Book Lined			1	1
200 page Math graphing notebook (Quad 4 to 1"), coil binding			1	1
Package of Graphing paper (Quad 4 to 1")(~50 pages)		1		
100 page lined paper notebook (Coil bound or stapled) for journaling	1	1		
Package of 10 HB pencils	3	3	3	3
Sharpener (Good Quality)	1	1	1	1
White erasers	2	2	4	4
Pen – red	2	2	2	2
Pen – blue	2	2	2	2
Extra Fine Black Felt Tip pens (not a Sharpie!)	2	2	4	4
Hi-liter	2	2	2	2
Crayola Pencil crayons (24)	1	1	1	1
Crayola Fine Point Felt pens (12 – 24)	1	1	1	1
Black Sharpie (permanent marker)	4	4	4	4
30 cm ruler	1	1	1	1
Pencil Case	2	2	2	2
Scissors	1	1	1	1
Geometry Math Set (Must have Protractor, Compass)			1	1
Calculator	1	1		
Calculator Texas Instrument model T1-30Xa			1	1
Non-Spill Water bottle (with Name on it)	1	1	1	1
Crayola Watercolour Paint Palette (not Dollar Store)	1	1	1	1
Crayola Oil Pastels (24) (not Dollar Store)	1	1	1	1
Sketch pad	1	1		
BIBLE NIV (mandatory can be purchased through the school office)	1	1	1	1



# HIGH SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

Supply List	Grade 8-12
1 package binder dividers	1
1 ½" binders	3
200 pages of refill paper lined	4
Large (35g) glue sticks	2
Large box of Kleenex *	1
400 page Math graphing notebook, coil binding	1
Package of 5 Mechanical Pencils (0.5 lead)	1
Refill cartridges (0.5 lead)	2
Package of 10 HB pencils	1
Sharpener	1
White erasers	2
Pens - red	2
Pens - blue	2
Extra Fine Black Felt Tip pens (not a Sharpie type)	2
Hi-liter	1
Geometry Set	1
30 cm ruler	1
Scissors	1
TI-84 or TI-84plus calculator – Mandatory for Pre-Calculus 11 & 12 (Note: CAS calculators are not permitted)	1
TI-30xIIS Calculator (Grades 8-10)	1
Bible NIV (can be purchased through school office)	1
Water bottle with name	1
100 – Index cards + Ring	1
8G (or higher) memory stick for laptops (optional)	1
Apron & hair tie – (for students enrolled in Home Economics)	1
Art Supplies (for those enrolled in Art 8-12)	
Pencil box for art supplies	1
White erasers	4
Staedtler Sketching Set - Assorted - 12 Pack (Pencil Set)	1
Sketchbook ( <u>not</u> a scrapbook type)	1
Extra fine black felt tip pens (not a traditional sharpie)	4
Pencil Sharpener (2 total, including one above)	1
Large box of Kleenex	1