

New Day Academy

Start Date: January 2023

New Day Academy is a K-12 Christian school program that partners with families to offer Biblical worldview-centered instruction in academic and vocational subjects. Students attend either half or full days Monday through Thursday at Louisville First Church of God. This is a ministry to families who are willing to be the primary agents of their children's education, but who wish to delegate part of the responsibility to New Day Academy. Parents register with their local superintendents as homeschoolers and are responsible for attendance and progress records, pursuant to the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. New Day Academy will issue progress reports that parents may include in their documentation. New Day will issue grades, but parents have the authority and responsibility to keep their own records and may record their children's progress according to their own discretion.

Our goals are as follows:

- 1. Partner with Christian families to educate students from a Biblical worldview, according to Deut. 6:1-9, Matthew 28:18-20, and Mark 12:30-31, to love and obey God, to love and serve their fellow man, and to spread the gospel and grow in discipleship.
- 2. Provide an academic education that enables students to honor God with their talents and skills. We believe that, as we focus on building a lifelong Biblical framework, students will receive an academically excellent education.
- 3. Equip students to communicate and problem solve as needed in whatever vocation they ultimately pursue.
- 4. Disciple students to live according to their God-given gender roles.
- 5. Enable students, as God's image bearers, to fulfill the Creation Mandate found in Genesis 1:16-28.

Families will be required to sign a Statement of Faith and Family Code of Conduct.

Curriculum:

• Core Academics will be a mixture of whole group and individual, individualized instruction. There will be daily Bible study/devotional time, read aloud/discussion from a variety of disciplines.

- The majority of individualized instruction will come from the ACE Curriculum, found at aceministries.com/curriculum. Students take placement tests and are placed according to individual ability. The curriculum is addressed to the student, with the need for a "supervisor" to check in with the student regularly and to answer questions as needed. This enables a variety of levels, ages, and abilities to be educated together with a minimum of instructors. (We may make adjustments as the program grows.)
- Students could attend mornings only, or they could stay in the afternoon to attend specialty classes, taught by a mix of volunteers and paid instructors, as well as to have study hall time, in which they could continue in their individualized curriculum.
- Ideally, we would offer a mix of afternoon specialized classes, such as computers, art, music, home-ec, gardening, ham radio, public speaking, debate, creative writing, nature study, Kentucky history, cognitive skills training, and physical education. For fee-based classes, families would pay the instructor, who would give First Church a tithe of their income. Others who aren't enrolled in New Day Academy's core program could join these classes as well.

Tuition: (calculated annually, but this year will be half tuition. Curriculum is paid for separately, and averages \$300/year)

Morning classes and supervision: \$4000/annually, payable monthly

Full day classes and supervision: \$5500/annually, payable monthly

Fee-based electives: Price set by instructor (tithe given to church)

Volunteer Requirement:

Each family must volunteer at least 10 hours per school year. There are a variety of ways families may volunteer, some during the school day, others outside of school hours. Some opportunities are at school, while others could be done elsewhere or even at home. Alternatively, families may pay \$25/hour for any unfulfilled volunteer hours. Hours may be fulfilled by any family member, including extended family. Volunteering that puts an adult in contact with other families' children will require a background check. Examples of volunteer hour fulfillment include, but are not limited to, the following:

Helping oversee students in their schoolwork (checking for correct answers and assisting them as needed)

Reading aloud to students

Organizing/overseeing parties for special occasions

monitoring students on break

Making copies

Giving students a special presentation

Organizing and/or chaperoning an event or field trip

Helping with an open house, informational meeting, or other event

Hosting a get-together for families

Cleaning

Discounts:

First Church/Iglesia de Dios members: 15 percent discount

Volunteers will receive a discount according to the number of hours volunteering

Children and grandchildren of full-time church/school staff attend free

Children of part-time staff will receive a prorated discount, according to hours worked

Leadership:

Terry Walton, Director

Heather Walton, Asst. Director

Tony Wilson, Pastor

Schedule:

8:30 Students arrive, begin individualized work in ACE Curriculum

9:00 Bible Study/Devotional/Read Alouds

9:45 Break/Snack

10:00 Students work through individualized ACE Curriculum

12:00 Lunch/Break

12:30 Half-day students dismissed/Full-day students stay and continue to work/specialized classes scheduled (half-day students have option of staying for selected specialized classes)

Fridays:

Students may want to add our Solid Rock Co-op on Fridays to round out the week, provided that they have a parent or other caregiver to oversee them. For more information, visit homeforhisglory.org/coops.

Monthly Meetings:

Families are strongly encouraged to attend monthly meetings, which will be held on a weeknight, and which are meant to equip parents to parent Biblically and will provide fellowship with other New Day families.

Family Handbook:

Families will receive a handbook that will give more extensive information. The handbook is in development.

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