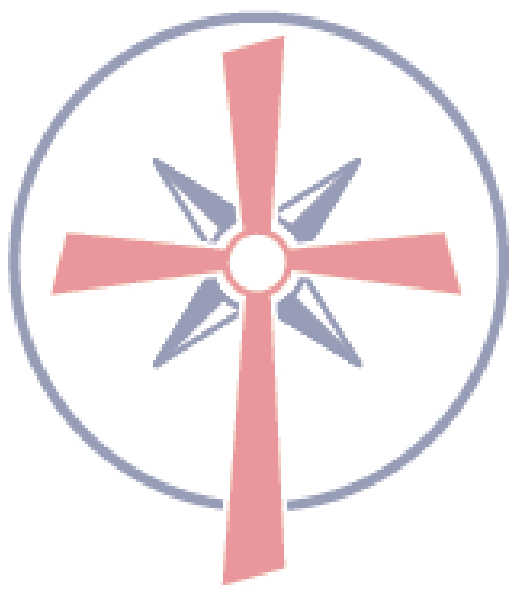


# **GRACE COVENANT ACADEMY EAGLE PREVIEW PACKET**

**2023-2024**



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# UNIVERSITY MODEL SCHOOL

## What is a University Model School?

**University Model Schooling** is a form of education that takes the college schedule and brings it into a K-12 format. Students attend classes at the school building 2-3 days per week, and spend time studying and learning from home on the "home days." This model mimics the college format and helps prepare college-worthy students.

We believe this model best helps equip parents to be the primary influencer in a student's life, and gives them opportunities to be involved in their student's education. That's why we have partnered with the National Association Model Schools to become a certified University Model School.

### What does this look like for my student?

Students will receive formal instruction in all of the basic, core subject areas when attending GCA. When at home, study days will involve reading, writing, math, and other projects which are assigned in class and will be turned in for grading on the formal school days. You will not be expected to teach any new material. The classroom teacher will do the teaching, and you will serve as a co-teacher, guide, or coach, depending on your student's age.

### Benefits of University Model School

- Direct parent involvement in education
- University style structure naturally prepares students for college
- Time and cost effective
- Encourages student work ethic
- Encourages family support
- Supports biblical values and character
- More flexible than five-day private or public schooling



# ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

## What type of families fit best at GCA?

**We're thankful** that you are considering Grace covenant Academy for your student's education! To become a student at GCA a student and family must meet the following requirements:

- **Parents are members of a local, gospel-centered church**
- **Parents are effectively serving in their God-given role as parents**
- **Student has an evident desire to know and follow Christ**
- **Student has a willingness to receive instruction**
- **Student has a positive influence on others**
- **Student has a satisfactory academic ability and work ethic**

The above requirements are principles which will be applied with discretion based on the student's age. We expect students to demonstrate increasing maturity and faithfulness to these standards as they grow older.



# ADMISSIONS PROCESS

How do I become a future eagle?

## Becoming a student at GCA

includes seven simple steps. To keep up to date where you are in the process, please reference the list to the right. (see more details about each step on our website at [www.gcafrisco.org/admissions](http://www.gcafrisco.org/admissions))

Additionally, you're welcome to contact our admissions counselor at [admissions@gcafrisco.org](mailto:admissions@gcafrisco.org) to ask any questions you have or check on your student's admission status.

## GCA ADMISSIONS PROCESS

### 7 STEP PROCESS

#### STEP 1

#### REQUEST INFORMATION

#### STEP 2

#### EAGLE PREVIEW

#### STEP 3

#### APPLY ONLINE

#### STEP 4

#### ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT

#### STEP 5

#### FAMILY INTERVIEW

#### STEP 6

#### ENROLL ONLINE

#### STEP 7

#### EAGLE 101



# GCA 2023-2024 TUITION

*Note- a third party installment agency will collect a \$50 fee for the monthly installment service, the monthly installments below reflect this. Monthly installments begin June 1st.*

GRADE	12 MONTHLY INSTALLMENTS	YEARLY
PreK	\$329.67	\$3,956
Kindergarten	\$500.50	\$6,006
1st Grade	\$523.25	\$6,279
2nd Grade	\$523.25	\$6,279
3rd Grade	\$523.25	\$6,279
4th Grade	\$543.42	\$6,521
5th Grade	\$543.42	\$6,521
6th Grade	\$609.25	\$7,311
7th Grade	\$609.25	\$7,311
8th Grade	\$609.25	\$7,311
9th Grade	\$712.67	\$8,552
10th Grade	\$712.67	\$8,552
11th Grade	\$712.67	\$8,552
12th Grade	\$712.67	\$8,552

## ADMISSION RELATED FEES

<b>K-12 Application Fees</b>	\$175-275	\$175/student for applications received before April 30. Normal price is \$275/student for applications received May 1- December 31.
<b>New Student Enrollment</b>	\$375	New students must pay the price of \$375/student.
<b>Current Student Re-Enrollment</b>	\$250	Current students pay the re-enrollment fee of \$250/student. Deadline Feb. 29th.
<b>Graduation</b>	\$250	Graduating Seniors must pay a graduation fee of \$250
<b>Book Fees</b>	\$400	Book fees vary per class. We do our best to keep book fees under \$400/student. You can purchase and resell books at end of year.

*Note- there may be additional fees for athletics, adventure and uniforms. See the calculator for all fees.*



# PARENTAL AGREEMENT

**Grace Covenant Academy** seeks to cultivate a partnership with families rooted in our biblical responsibilities. Your eagerness to embrace the following enables us to covenant together to provide a distinctively Christian education.

I **believe** that God has given me the primary responsibility for training my children and providing a suitable education.

I **desire** to provide my children with a distinctively Christian education. I will seek to teach biblical principles and truths to my children, and make relevant applications of God's Word to the circumstances of our family life

**My goal** for the instruction of my children is to point them to knowing God and cultivating academic excellence to prepare them so as to make Him known in whatever ways and places He has designed for them. I understand that this is built on the foundation of biblical truth and godly character. I will seek to develop my children's character according to the standards of God's Word.

I **will demonstrate** my faith to my children through personal devotion to the Lord Jesus Christ and through faithful involvement in a Bible-believing, gospel-centered local church as described in the membership agreement.

I **will carry out** my responsibility to effectively secure in my children the proper attitude towards authority and the willingness to adhere to the policies, standards and practices of Grace Covenant Academy.

I **will make** a whole hearted effort to attend all scheduled parent meetings and conferences

I **will seek** to meet the school's recommended guidelines for my involvement and participation in school.

I **will endeavor** to develop and maintain a godly atmosphere in my home; exercise control over inappropriate influences on my children; and model a Christ-like life to best of my ability

I **will maintain** integrity in all of my dealings with the school, which includes covenanting in faith for the full payment of annual tuition for my children's education.

I **have read** the Parent/Student Handbook of Grace Covenant Academy and agree to abide by the policies and practices it contains.

I **understand** that acceptance into Grace Covenant Academy is decided annually, and that continued enrollment is contingent upon satisfying the admissions standards.

*Please visit our website at **[www.gcafrisco.org/whatwebelieve](http://www.gcafrisco.org/whatwebelieve)** to see our statement of faith.*



## Core Value

# Love of God

**The reason** Grace Covenant Academy exists in the first place is the love of God. God's love compels us to love the people he puts in our path. Each staff member at GCA is a committed Christian who cares for students as if they were their own.

**Under the parents'** delegated authority, our teachers seek to guide students to think and live according to the Scripture. We strive to model a love for God and the church, both local and universal, as well as a love for learning God's truth.



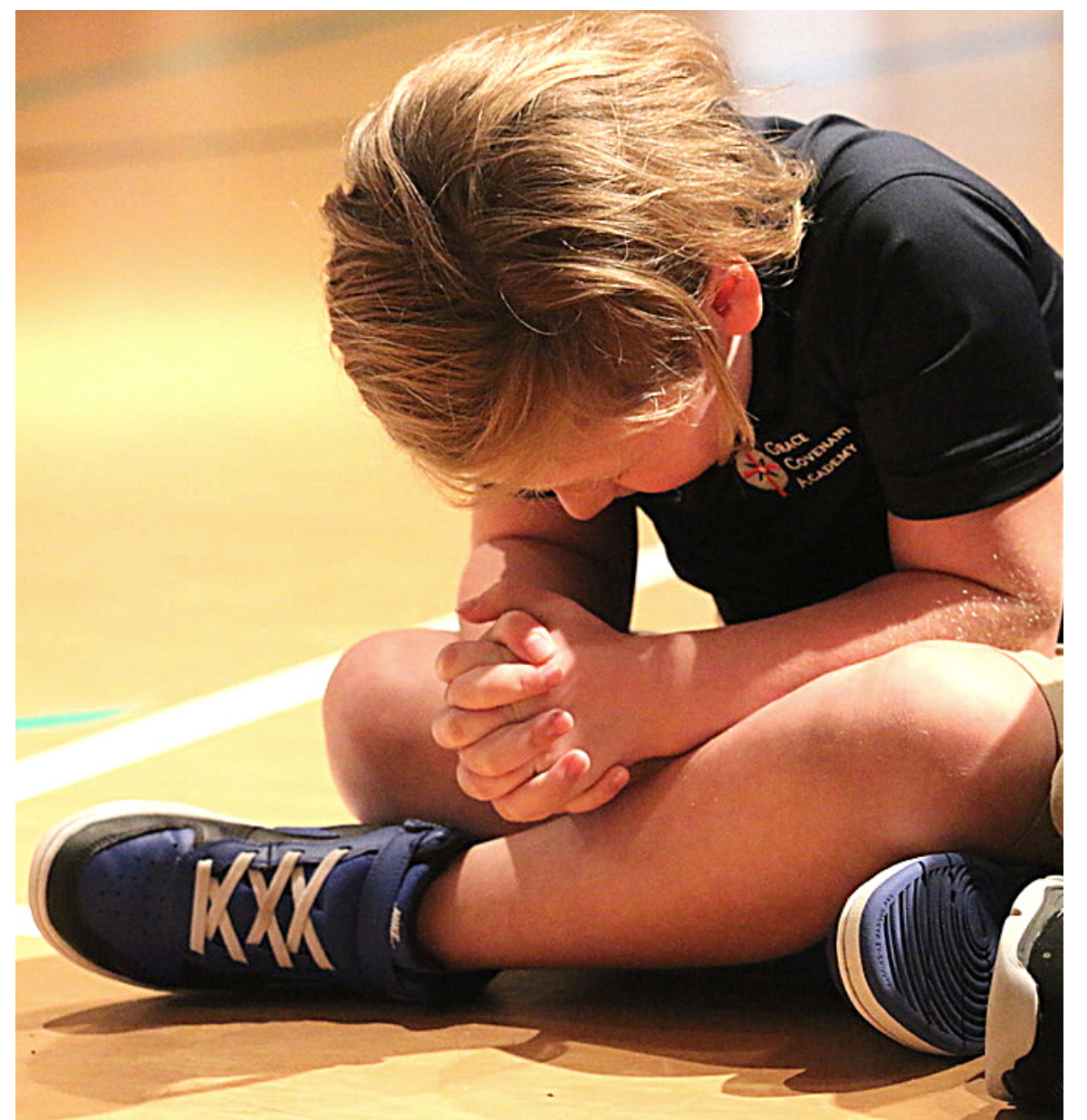


## Core Value

# Gospel-Centered

**All of us are both image bearers** of God and sinners in need of a Savior. The fact that Jesus came to reconcile us to God informs all that we do at Grace Covenant Academy. We teach the gospel through our Bible courses, through weekly chapel time, and through personal testimony.

**Whether a student needs** encouragement or consequences applied in love, we want what is best for the student and the family. We choose what points them to the incredible love of Jesus





## Core Value

# Biblical Worldview



**Grace Covenant Academy** holds to doctrines that are biblically faithful and historically orthodox. We believe the Bible to be the true, sole authority on all matters pertaining to life and faith.

**We believe education** should be biblically based, informed by the gospel, and bathed in grace. We aim to create an environment where biblical standards for student appearance, conduct, character, and academic achievement are maintained and encouraged.

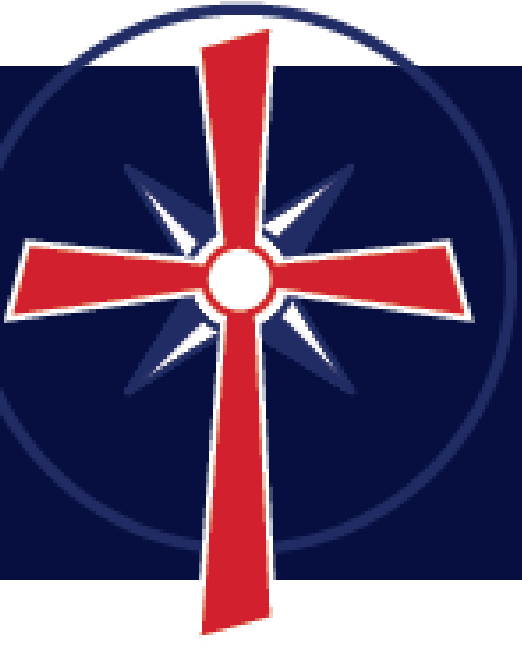


## Core Value

# Love of Learning



**God has given** each of our students unique gifts, needs, and learning style. We celebrate those differences. Recognizing that each student is an individual, teachers at GCA use a variety of methods and resources to make learning fun. We know that students engage when they are active participants and our goal is to tap into each student's innate love of learning.



# GCA ADVENTURE PROGRAM

*The wilderness, the place where God speaks*



**The Adventure program** is designed to teach students multiple outdoor disciplines and leadership skills that can be carried throughout life. Along with classroom lectures, students spend ample time outdoors putting their skills to practice— both locally and out of state.

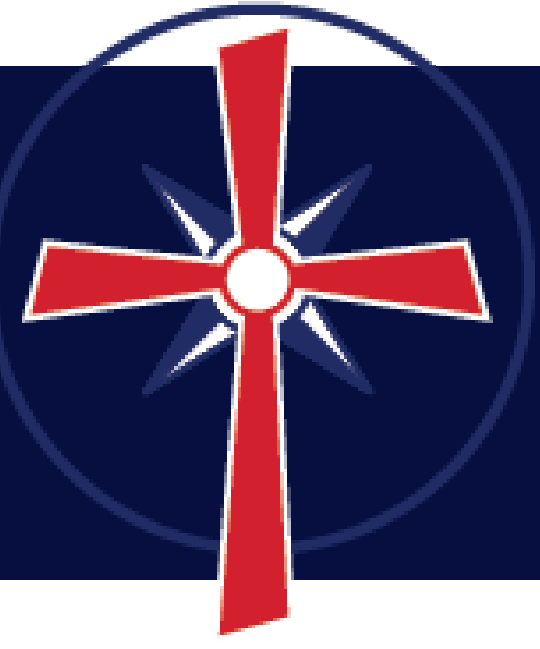
## Who is this program for?

The adventure program is for 7-12 graders only. We seek to admit middle and high-schoolers who exhibit these leadership qualities:

- Participation and interest to be there and to learn
- Servant Heart: willingness to assist others during team-building
- Humble Heart: responsiveness to correction during training

The GCA Adventure team **meets weekly** and counts as an elective. Every year the middle and high school adventure teams take **2-4 trips** in Texas, Oklahoma and surrounding states.

*For more information about the adventure program, contact Haley Edwards at [haley.edwards@gcafrisco.org](mailto:haley.edwards@gcafrisco.org).*



# GCA ATHLETICS

## *Learning how to honor God*



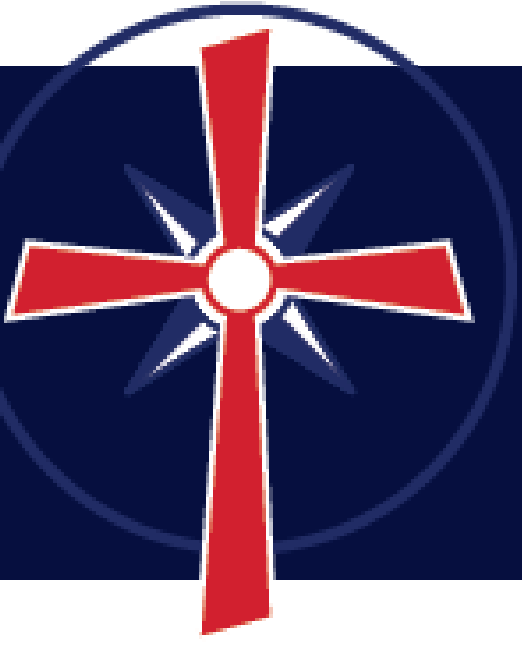
At Grace Covenant Academy, we are convinced that athletic programs are an important component of a well-rounded education. Athletic teams provide great opportunities for one-on-one student ministry and character development.

### **What Athletic Programs do we offer?**

- Middle School Volleyball (6th–8th girls)
- High School Volleyball (9th–12th girls)
- Middle School Basketball (6th–8th girls and boys)
- High School Basketball (9th–12th girl and boys)
- Track and Field (6th–12th students)

Please see **[www.gcafrisco.org/athletics-info](http://www.gcafrisco.org/athletics-info)** for more information.

At GCA, we only hire coaches who are committed to using sports as a way to create disciples of Jesus Christ. Our coaches take the time to connect with our students, and they care about their hearts. So our hope is that the relationships developed through athletics will lead to more faithful, gifted, loving followers of Christ. Additionally, our coaches are committed to cultivating an environment where excellence and godliness are encouraged.



# GCA FINE ARTS

*Using your talent to glorify God*



Grace Covenant Academy students have many opportunities to develop their talents in fine arts – learning to use them for the glory of God, and enjoy them with their peers. Besides being a part of a well-rounded education, these activities give our students a place to explore how God has gifted them and develop the community at GCA.

## What Programs do we offer?

- Art (Elementary-High School)
- Beginning Band
- Intermediate Band
- Performing Arts/Choir (Elementary)
- Speech and Debate (Middle-High School)

Please see **[www.gcafrisco.org/fine-arts](http://www.gcafrisco.org/fine-arts)** for more information.