



Asheville Christian

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION



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**Please direct all international student
application materials to:**

International Admissions/Program Coordinator
PO Box 1089
74 Riverwood Rd
Swannanoa, NC 28778
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Admissions Process

Asheville Christian Academy is grateful for its warm community of families and looks forward to welcoming new international families and students each year. **Eligible applications for international students entering grades 9 through 11 will be accepted through June 1 for the following school year that begins in August, as long as space is available.** The applicant is responsible for ensuring that all steps in the admissions process are completed. Your application will be considered for admission only after all required documentation and application fee (Step 1) have been received by ACA. Before submitting the initial application, you will be required to pay a USD \$250 non-refundable application fee. You may pay this fee online with a working credit card or by wire transfer. If you need to pay with a wire transfer, please contact the Admissions Office prior to completing your application. We will need to receive your wire transfer and then waive the online fee before you may submit your application. All supporting documents, as well as the full amount of tuition must be received before beginning school in August.

A Community of Faith

Asheville Christian Academy is a covenantal Christian school, which means that we primarily partner with local Christian families who hold to our Statement of Faith and mission to teach from a biblical perspective. Not only are our classes of the highest academic standard, preparing all our students for university and beyond, but we also teach each class from the unique lens of biblical truth. We are a non-denominational organization, but we tend to align best with the evangelical perspective of the Christian faith. Above all, Jesus Christ is proclaimed as the Son of God, and we encourage our students to enter into a personal relationship with him as savior and redeemer. While we do not have the same faith requirements for our international students and families, we do ask that you be respectful of and open to the Christian faith.

Academic Requirements

Asheville Christian Academy is academically rigorous, preparing our students for university and beyond. Many of our classes are college-level classes. International students have an added challenge of studying in a language other than their primary learning language. The iTEP SLATE and TOEFL iBT are the preferred English proficiency tests for determining admissions.

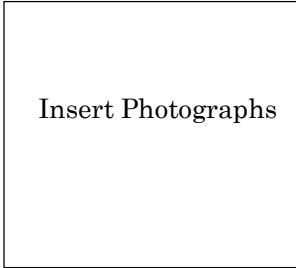
- Applicants for 9th grade must submit a score of 3.5 on the iTEP SLATE or TOEFL iBT equivalent of 60 or higher.
- Applicants for 10th grade must submit a score of 4.0 on the iTEP SLATE or TOEFL iBT equivalent of 70 or higher.
- Applicants for 11th grade must submit a score of 4.5 on the iTEP SLATE or TOEFL iBT equivalent of 80 or higher.

We do not enroll international students in the 12th grade as first year students.

We require school transcripts to be evaluated by a third-party scoring agency. We will ask for your transcripts after the initial screening application. However, please note that high levels of academic success in addition to positive teacher recommendations must be documented in order to gain admission to Asheville Christian. We do provide English language support to our international students, but we expect students to be independent learners with regards to general academic subjects.

By completing the following application, you agree to the standards set forward in the above statements.

International Student Application for Admission



Personal Data

Applicant's Full Name _____
Surname First Middle Preferred/Nickname

Student's Home Address _____
Street/Building

City State/Province Postal Code Country

Student's Mobile Phone Number (including country code) Student Email Address

Student's Skype Name

Gender Male Female

Date of Birth _____
Month/Day/Year

Birthplace _____
City Country

Country of Citizenship _____

School Year Applying for _____

Grade Applying for: 9th 10th 11th

Currently in Grade _____ Do You Intend to Graduate from ACA? Yes No Uncertain

Have you completed Secondary School in your Country of Citizenship or other country? Yes No

Student's Current School: _____

Current School's Address: _____
Street City State/Province Postal Code

Current School's Email Address

School Phone Number (including country code)

School Principal's Name

How did you first learn about Asheville Christian Academy? _____

Family Information

Father's Name _____

Mother's Name _____

Address _____
(If different from applicant.)

Address _____
(If different from applicant.)

City State/Province Country Postal Code

City State/Province Country Postal Code

Phone Number _____

Phone Number _____

(including country code) Home Number Mobile Number

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Occupation/Title _____

Occupation/Title _____

Name of Business or Type of Business

Name of Business or Type of Business

Father's email address

Mother's email address

Father speaks English Yes No

Mother speaks English Yes No

Family Information (continued)

Family Status: Check the following categories which apply to you.

I currently live with my: Mother Father Both Parents Stepmother/Stepfather Guardian

Father: Living Deceased

Mother: Living Deceased

Parents are: Married Divorced Separated

*If living with step-parent or guardian, please give name and occupation:

Applicant's Siblings: Please list the following information with regard to your siblings:

How many older siblings do you have? _____ How many younger siblings do you have? _____

How many of your siblings still live at home? _____

Parent/Guardian Reflections

This section to be completed by the student's parent or guardian to give their perspective on the applicant. Students, please do not answer these questions for your parent/guardian. Answers may be translated but must be the words of the parent/guardian. Please respond in narrative form and do not provide lists.

Who in the family initiated the idea of your child studying abroad? _____

Please describe your child's personal qualities and characteristics: _____

Describe your relationship with your child: _____

What responsibilities (chores, curfew, duties, etc.) does your child have as a member of your family? _____

How does your child typically express frustration and/or anger? How does he/she handle problems? _____

What are your views regarding your child attending a Christian school? _____

Does your family attend church (your answer will NOT affect the admissions decision)? _____ If yes, where do you attend? _____ How often does your family attend church? _____

Pastor's Name: _____

What are the primary abilities and talents that you hope to see your child develop further while attending Asheville Christian Academy? _____

Parent/Guardian Reflections (continued)

Please provide any additional information or describe any special circumstances regarding your child, which may assist the host family in preparing themselves for this experience. _____

General Student Information

This section to be completed by the student applicant. Please answer the following statements as a way for us to get to know you better. Answer in narrative form and do not give lists.

What is your single most important interest or activity in which you participate? _____

What is your favorite subject in school? _____

What is your least favorite subject in school? _____

What foreign language(s) have you studied? For how many years? How would you rate your ability in any language(s) other than your native language? (E = Excellent, G = Good, F = Fair, and P = Poor) _____

Briefly describe your future college and career goals. If undecided, discuss the possibilities that you are considering: Where do you want to attend college? USA Your Home Country Other Undecided

Why do you wish to participate in our international student program at ACA? _____

Briefly describe your past foreign travel and other international experiences, if any. Indicate whether you traveled with or without your family. _____

Please note your involvement in the following activities wherever appropriate, with special emphasis on your significant activities of the last two years. Be as specific as possible. Mention awards won for special proficiency in any activities. You may write "N/A" if you do not have any involvement in a category.

Music _____

Art _____

Science _____

Drama and/or Debate _____

Camping and/or Outdoor Activities _____

Athletic Competition _____

Service Activities _____

Other Hobbies _____

General Student Information (continued)

Do you have any special dietary requirements, allergies or medical problems? Yes No

If yes, please specify: _____

How comfortable would you be living in a family with small children?

Very comfortable Somewhat comfortable Not comfortable Don't know, but willing to try

Do you have any pets at home? Yes No

Cats Dogs Others _____

If not, would you be comfortable living in a home with pets? Yes No

What is your religious affiliation? _____

How often do you attend religious services? More than once a week Weekly Occasionally Rarely

Would you be willing to participate in Christian religious activities of your host family as is required by our program? Yes No

What is your understanding of the Christian faith? _____

If you identify as a Christian, how would you describe your relationship with Jesus Christ? (Not required to answer).

Describe your relationship with your parents, brothers, and sisters: _____

Are you willing to commit yourself to making friends with Americans and speaking in English when English speaking people are present? Yes (note - this is the only option)

In your own words, describe your personality. How would you describe yourself? _____

Emotionally, are you ever depressed or have interpersonal problems, etc.? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____

What activities do you generally take part in with your family? _____

What household chores/responsibilities do you have in your home? _____

Are you willing to **adapt** yourself to your host family's lifestyle, to **respect** your host family's rules, and to **participate** in family activities (including going to church each week with the family for their main weekly worship service), and household chores? Yes No

What positive contribution can you bring to your host family and/or Asheville Christian Academy? _____

Asheville Christian Academy Mission Statement and Statement of Faith

Asheville Christian Academy is a private Christian school. As a Christian school, Asheville Christian Academy has a specific philosophy of education which is rooted in its Mission Statement and Statement of Faith. The foundation for the Statement of Faith is the Bible. Asheville Christian Academy is an interdenominational school representing many churches of the evangelical, Protestant tradition.

Please read the Mission Statement and Statement of Faith and then sign below. Your signature does not necessarily mean that you fully agree with the Statements. Your signature means that you will allow your child to receive instruction based on the Statement of Faith.

Mission Statement

Seeking to serve Jesus Christ and uphold his pre-eminence, Asheville Christian Academy, in committed partnership with Christian parents, provides a Gospel-centered education to shepherd and inspire Christ-oriented lives within a community of grace and truth.

Statement of Faith

The basis of Asheville Christian Academy is the Word of God. In the light of this Word, we in our education program stand committed to the following:

1. The Bible is the Word of God, verbally inspired and inerrant as originally given, and is the supreme and final authority in faith and life.
2. God is Triune - one eternal God existing in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Man is created in His image. Creation and providence are revelatory of Him.
3. Christ is God manifested in the flesh, born of a virgin. He lived a sinless life, suffered and died in our behalf; and He arose bodily from the grave, ascended, and is coming again in power and glory. Christ is the only mediator between God and man.
4. Regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely fundamental to Christian life and should be basic in all preparation for life. By God's grace only and through faith alone are our children and we saved from sin and its evil consequences.
5. The present ministry of the Holy Spirit is to indwell the Christian, enabling him to live a godly life.
6. There will be a bodily resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life, and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
7. The spiritual unity of believers is in our Lord Jesus Christ.
8. Parents are responsible for the education of their children. To bring them up in the Lord, they, through the agency of a Board, employ teachers who give evidence of a born-again life and who manifest ability to educate children morally and intellectually in the light of God's Word.
9. The pupils, being images of God, must be subject to His sovereign rule in their lives. Creation and providence (that which is taught), being God-revealing, must be presented as such. Such teaching makes for God-consciousness without which no Christian teaching is possible.
10. The doctrines stated in the first nine sections of Article II are essential and indisputable. Some other doctrines have been debated by evangelical Christians over the centuries. It is the school's policy that students not be deprived of robust examination of any Biblical text, but it is always to be done with respectful consideration of the various historical interpretations. Additionally, a student raising a question concerning such a doctrine should be referred to his or her parents or pastor.

My signature indicates that I have read the Asheville Christian Academy Mission Statement and Statement of Faith and will allow my child to receive instruction based on the Statement of Faith. My signature verifies the completeness, accuracy, and truthfulness of all information provided in this application document. I understand that withholding information or providing inaccurate information may result in the rejection of my child's application or in dismissal of my child after enrollment.

Father's/Legal Guardian's Signature

Date

Mother's/Legal Guardian's Signature

Date

Application Fee

Payment of USD \$250 non-refundable application fee via wire transfer. The application will not be processed until we have received the application fee.

International Wire Transfer Information:

Receiving Bank: First Citizen's Bank
417 West State Street
Black Mountain, NC 28711 USA

Swift code: FCBTU533

Routing #: 053100300

Receiving Account: Asheville Christian Academy
74 Riverwood Road
Swannanoa, NC 28778
ACA General Fund Account # 001212931709



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