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PAIDEIA

ACADEMY

Member of Association of Christian Schools International
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CEEB code: 431121

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Mission and Distinctives

A Classical Christian School

Paideia Academy is an instrument to assist parents in carrying out the biblical mandate to bring up their children in the paideia (training and admonition) of the Lord. We employ the Western classical tradition of learning, rooted in a distinctly Christian worldview, to cultivate godly affections and wisdom in our students in order to graduate virtuous men and women, whose love of Christ advances the Kingdom of God.

Core Omnibus Program: Students in grades 7-12 are provided a historically substantive and rigorous liberal arts education that draws deeply from the history and culture of Western Civilization. They are socratically led in the study of the Great Books, consisting of two cycles through the ancient, medieval and modern time periods.

Ancient Languages: Latin 3rd-10th grades, New Testament Greek 11th and 12th grade.

Graduation Requirements

Bible: 4 credits	Science: 4 credits	Classical Language: 4 credits
Math: 4 credits	History: 4 credit	Art or Theater: 1-2 credits
English: 4 credits	Logic: 1 credit	P.E., Music: 1 credit each
Rhetoric: 2 credits	Senior Seminar: 1 credit	

Although 28 credit hours are required for graduation, most students complete 32.

Honors and Class Rank

Ninth and tenth grade Omnibus classes are considered honors classes due to the rigorous course expectations including the reading of primary sources. 11th and 12th grade Omnibus classes are offered as dual enrollment classes through Bryan College. Additionally, Bryan College uses four Great Books style dual enrollment courses that have been designed by Paideia Omnibus teachers. Junior and senior students complete college level courses in math, history, Greek language and sciences Honors courses receive an additional 0.5 quality point.

Class sizes are small, with a faculty to student ratio of 1:12. Therefore class rank is not meaningful outside of our institution.

National Achievement

Average SAT Scores:	Average ACT Scores
Reading, 703	English, 30
Math, 580	Math, 26
Writing, 707	Reading, 28
National Merit Commended Student: 7%	Science, 26
	Composite, 27

Omnibus Great Books Sequence

Our Omnibus program is an integration of history, literature, philosophy and theology. These courses are taught at or above honors level course work.

Senior Readings

Paradise Lost, Foundational American Documents, Common Sense, Democracy in America, Emma, Hamlet, John Adams, Battle Cry of Freedom, All Quiet on the Western Front, Citizen Soldiers, Letter from a Birmingham Jail, The Picture of Dorian Gray, To Kill a Mockingbird, That Hideous Strength, Covenant and God's Purpose for the World .

Junior Readings

The City of God, The Consolation of Philosophy, Chronicle of the Kings of England, The Divine Comedy, Don Quixote, Heidelberg Catechism, Here I Stand, Institutes of the Christian Religion, The Great Divorce, Othello, Complete Poems of George Herbert, The Koran, The Praise of Folly, Martin Luther: Selections from His Writings, The Prince, Romeo and Juliet, Summa Theologica.

Sophomore Readings

The Iliad, Knowing God, How to Read and Understand the Biblical Prophets, The Peloponnesian War, The Servant King: The Bible's Portrait of the Messiah, Isaiah, The Hippocratic Oath, Bacchae, Clouds, The Republic, Desiring God, Nicomachean Ethics, Day of Atonement, The Apocrypha, The War with Hannibal, Psalms, The Psalter Reclaimed: Praying and Praising with the Psalms The Augustus Caesar's World, Antony and Cleopatra, On the Nature of Things, Second Philippic, On Duties, Annals of Imperial Rome, Eclogues, Georgics, The Jewish War, Metamorphoses, Meditations, Plutarch's Lives, The Apostolic Fathers, Phantastes.

High School Courses

Theology, Literature, and History: Omnibus III: Modern, U.S. and British I, Omnibus IV: Ancient World II, Omnibus V: Medieval World II, Omnibus VI: Modern, U.S. and British II

Rhetoric: Rhetoric I & II, Junior Thesis, Senior Seminar **Logic:** Logic I

Mathematics: Geometry, Algebra II, Pre-Calculus, Statistics or Calculus

Science: Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Advanced Physics or Psychology and Environmental Science

Foreign Language: Advanced Latin II and III, New Testament Greek I and II

Fine Arts: Music History and Appreciation, Art Design and Techniques, Theatre

Hall Model

Our three halls are modeled after the “house” system of Oxford and Cambridge and provide a setting for spiritual, academic, and relational growth. The halls:

- ◆ Cultivate classical virtues
- ◆ Promote student relationships across grade levels
- ◆ Provide avenues for student body leadership
- ◆ Participate in intramural athletic competitions
- ◆ Integrate community service
- ◆ Engage in debate and symposium presentations

Junior Thesis, Guilds, Senior Seminar

Junior Thesis: Junior year students choose a specialized field of interest, explore the philosophical and historical foundations of that field, and organize their research into a 20-40 page thesis.

Guilds and Senior Seminar: Throughout junior and senior year, students engage with the local community through student internships in a mentor-directed guild program. Throughout this process, students intern in a vocation of their choice and receive guidance from their mentors in creating a project of their own in this field. Throughout these two years, students work on this project in conjunction with their mentors for a minimum total of 75 hours. Opportunities will culminate in a project (senior speech act), which is a year-long activity dedicated to creating and living out the written thesis from the junior year.

College Acceptances

Art Institute of Chicago
Asbury University
Berry College
Bellhaven University
Birmingham Southern College
Boyce College
Calvin College
Carson Newman University
Covenant College
George Mason University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Gordon College
Impact 360
Johnson University

Kings College, NY
Mississippi College
Liberty University
Reformation Bible College
Samford University
Tennessee Tech University
Union University
United States Air Force Academy
University of Memphis
University of South Carolina
University of Tennessee
University of TN Chattanooga
Warren Wilson College
Wheaton College



Omnibus Course Readings:

Freshman Readings

Westminster Confession, Foxe's Book of Martyrs, Pilgrim's Progress, Frankenstein, Of Plymouth Plantation, Pride and Prejudice, The Social Contract, Benjamin Franklin, Foundational American Documents, Federalist and Anti-Federalist Papers, Christianity and Liberalism, Revolution in France, Tale of Two Cities, Uncle Tom's Cabin, The Killer Angels, Slave Narratives, Lincoln's Speeches, Philemon, The Communist Manifesto, Animal Farm, The Great Gatsby, Death of a Salesman.

8th Grade Readings

Delighting in the Trinity, Beowulf, The Bondage of the Will, The Canterbury Tales, Confessions, Ecclesiastical History of the English People, Eusebius: The Church History, History of the Kings of Britain, Macbeth, On the Incarnation of Our Lord, Rule of St. Benedict, Sir Gawain and the Green Knight, The Song of Roland, Henry V, King Richard III, The Lord of the Rings, The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood, A Midsummer Night's Dream.

7th Grade Readings

The Aeneid, The Orestia Trilogy, Codes of Hammurabi and Moses, Gilgamesh, The Histories, Julius Caesar, The Last Days of Socrates, The Odyssey, The Oedipus Trilogy, The Best Things in Life, The Unaborted Socrates, Chosen by God, Eagle of the Ninth, The Holiness of God, The Screwtape Letters, Till We Have Faces.



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