

MISSION STATEMENT

As a ministry of McGregor Baptist Church, Southwest Florida Christian Academy will partner with Christian parents in providing their children with a distinctively biblical and academically excellent education that will equip students to be godly leaders and to successfully engage the culture for Christ.

CORE VALUES

In order to fulfill its mission, Southwest Florida Christian Academy will honor the following core values:

The Bible
Quality, Bible-based Education
Qualified, Christian Staff
Discipleship of Students

The Christian Family
The Church
Stewardship

OPERATING PRINCIPLES

SFCA's daily operation will be guided by the following operating principles in an effort to fulfill its mission in accordance with its core values:

Core Value #1 – The Bible (2 Timothy 3:15-17)

The Bible is the inspired, inerrant, and infallible Word of God that is the authority for all that is done at SFCA.

SFCA will:

- ☒ Teach the Bible as the source of absolute truth.
- ☒ Integrate the Bible into all aspects of SFCA life.
- ☒ Form the basis of its philosophy of education on the principles of God's Word.
- ☒ Develop and implement policies and procedures that are consistent with God's Word.
- ☒ Expect all faculty, board, and staff to study the Bible and apply its principles to everyday life.
- ☒ Implement a comprehensive Bible curriculum (K-12) that will lead students to study, memorize and apply God's Word to their life.

Core Value #2 – The Christian Family (Ephesians 5; Genesis 1)

The Christian family is the foundational unit for society that is based on the biblical pattern for marriage and family in accordance with God's will.

SFCA will:

- ☒ Develop policies and procedures that honor the Christian family.
- ☒ Develop strong home-school relationships through clear and effective communication with parents.
- ☒ Develop and maintain unity between home and school by encouraging mutual respect between home and school authorities.
- ☒ Teach all students God's ideal for the marriage relationship and the family.
- ☒ Pray for and with SFCA's families.
- ☒ Help parents understand and fulfill their biblical responsibilities as presented in *Kingdom Education*.

Core Value #3 – Quality, Bible-based Education (Proverbs 9:10)

A quality education encompasses the total educational program based upon the foundation that all knowledge and wisdom are from God.

SFCA will:

- ☒ Design an educational program that will meet the spiritual, mental, physical and social needs of each student.
- ☒ Design and use curriculum and teaching methods that are grounded in God's absolute truth.
- ☒ Challenge all students to reach their full potential in all aspects of their school life.
- ☒ Employ, develop and retain godly teachers who strive for excellence in all areas of their lives.
- ☒ Develop a comprehensive K-12 Bible curriculum that will effectively lead the students in a thorough study and application of God's Word.
- ☒ Provide teachers with the training necessary for them to effectively plan and implement biblical worldview integration in the classroom instruction.
- ☒ Provide teachers with the necessary training on the biblical philosophy of education found in *Kingdom Education*.
- ☒ Teach all students that man is born with a sin nature and in need of Christ.
- ☒ Encourage students to seek God's plan for their life.
- ☒ Develop an educational program that will equip students to engage all areas of the culture for Christ by utilizing the gifts and talents they have received from God.

Core Value #4 – The Church (1 Corinthians 12:12-14; Ephesians 4:12-13)

The church is the body of believers whose purpose is to fulfill the Great Commission.

SFCA will:

- ☒ Develop policies and procedures that will honor the purpose of the local church.
- ☒ Recognize that it is a ministry of McGregor Baptist Church and submit to the church's spiritual authority.
- ☒ Require all board members, administration, faculty and staff to be active members of a local, Bible-believing church.
- ☒ Encourage all school families to become active members of a local, Bible-believing church.
- ☒ Teach all students God's purpose for the church so that students will understand the importance of being an active member of and serving in a local church.
- ☒ Continually work at developing strong relationships with local churches in the Ft. Myers area.

Core Value #5 – Qualified, Christian staff (Luke 6:40; 1 Timothy 3:1)

A qualified, Christian staff is comprised of born again Christians who have a calling to Christian education and the training necessary to fulfill their responsibilities.

SFCA will:

- ☒ Develop a staff selection process that will ensure that all staff have a calling to Christian education, possess the skills necessary to fulfill their responsibilities and can effectively communicate the plan of salvation to others.
- ☒ Hire staff that have a personal relationship with Christ and live a life in support of the school's statement of faith.
- ☒ Provide all staff with a continuing staff development program that will enable them to develop professionally and meet certification requirements.
- ☒ Provide all faculty with training in the principles of *Kingdom Education* and effective biblical worldview integration.
- ☒ Select, develop and retain board members, administration, faculty and staff who exhibit Christ-like attitudes and behaviors.
- ☒ Encourage administration, faculty, staff and students to model Christ by serving others in the school and community.

Core Value #6 – Stewardship (James 1:17)

Stewardship is the awareness that everything one has belongs to God and must be effectively managed for His glory.

SFCA will:

- ☒ See, appreciate, and effectively manage everything, everyone, and every day as a stewardship responsibility from God.
- ☒ Model and train students to appreciate and effectively manage all that God provides.
- ☒ Establish policies and procedures that reflect biblical principles of stewardship.
- ☒ Implement and manage a budget based on biblical principles of stewardship.
- ☒ Hold the board, administration, faculty and staff accountable to fulfill their duties in a way that will honor the Lord and assist the school in achieving its mission.

Core Value #7 – Discipleship (John 8:31; 1 John 2:6)

Discipleship is demonstrated by a commitment to a consistent application of the Word of God to all of life.

SFCA will:

- ☒ Encourage staff and students to exemplify the fruit of the Spirit.
- ☒ Strive to instill godly character in all students through all of the school's educational programs.
- ☒ Develop and enforce the school's discipline policies that will emphasize the importance of Christ-like behavior.
- ☒ Commit itself to the absolute authority of the Bible.
- ☒ Train students in daily Bible study, prayer, devotion and application of biblical principles in every area of life.
- ☒ Encourage discipleship relationships across all levels of the school.
- ☒ Integrate the Bible into all subjects and areas of the school.
- ☒ Prepare the students for a lifelong commitment to the discipleship process.

Qualifications for Admission to Middle School

Preliminary Information

In order to be considered for enrollment at Southwest Florida Christian Academy, the student must meet the following criteria: The student should be actively involved in a Bible teaching church, and the parents should support [SFCA's doctrinal position and Statement of Faith](#).

The student must demonstrate on an admission test that they are adequately prepared to achieve well in the grade level at which they are applying. Applicants are expected to score at the 50th percentile or higher on the admission test or on an approved, nationally-normed achievement test.

The student must have a "C" average or 2.0 GPA in the present school year as indicated on a current report card or transcript.

The student must have a satisfactory citizenship record in the school they are presently attending as indicated on a current report card and/or reference form.

The student must have provided two completed recommendation forms: one academic reference and one spiritual reference.

The student must have a desire to attend Southwest Florida Christian Academy and be willing to comply with the school's standards as printed in the Student Handbook and on the application for enrollment.

Nondiscriminatory Policy

Southwest Florida Christian Academy admits students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and financial aid programs, athletics and other school administered programs.

Admissions Procedures

The following procedures must be followed for the application to be processed in a timely fashion. Before you begin, be sure you understand the admissions guidelines, the basic purposes and objectives of our school, and our [Statement of Faith](#).

[Apply online](#) or follow the steps below.

1. Pick up an application in the SFCA office, or print a PDF version of the application, **after** you [set up an account online](#).
2. Distribute the reference forms to the appropriate people.
3. Fill out all information as indicated on the application and submit the Application, Endowment, and enrollment fees. (No application will be processed without the above fees.)
4. Please submit a copy of your child's current report card with your application. Home schooled students should submit a summary of the student's grades in each subject along with the curriculum being used. A Home School Transcript Form should be requested from the SFCA Registrar and completed by the parent.
5. Each student will be required to furnish the school with valid immunization records, a physical exam form, and a copy of his/her birth certificate (prior to the first day of school). All HRS requirements for immunizations must be met.
6. If a student's natural parents are divorced, a copy of custody papers must be provided.
7. The school Registrar will contact you with an admission testing appointment date. If the student attends a school where the Stanford Achievement Test or a comparable, approved test is administered, the results from this test can be submitted when available and the SFCA admission test may be waived.
8. Admission testing is normally administered in the Spring and continues periodically thereafter. While waiting to complete the admission test, a spot is reserved for your child.
9. After the testing is completed, an interview will be scheduled for the parents and student with the Administration. Upon completion of testing and the interview, the Administration will make a decision on your application. When your application has been approved, the school will contact you.
10. We will send for official records/transcripts from the previous school attended at the end of the current school year.
11. If SFCA does not have a program to meet the needs of a student, his/her request for admission will be denied and all monies paid, except for the application fee, will be refunded. In any other circumstances, the fees paid at the time of enrollment and the first month's tuition are not refundable.
12. A limited amount of scholarship and financial aid is available. See the financial aid guidelines section.

Tuition Information

[Details here.](#)

Athletic Program

At SFCA, our goal is to honor Christ through our athletic program. Through sports, students have the opportunity to develop physical skills and abilities, to work with other members of the team and to express and promote Christian values and attitudes.

Our student athletes compete in the Gulf Coast Athletic Conference for grades 6-8. We are members of the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSA) for grades 9-12.

HIGH SCHOOL

Fall

- [Varsity Football](#)
- [Varsity Football Cheerleading](#)
- [Varsity Volleyball](#)
- [JV Volleyball](#)
- [Varsity Cross Country](#)
- [Varsity Golf](#)

Winter

- [Varsity Basketball - Boys](#)
- [Varsity Basketball - Girls](#)
- [JV Basketball - Boys](#)
- [JV Basketball - Girls](#)
- [Varsity Basketball Cheerleading](#)
- [Varsity Soccer - Boys](#)
- [Varsity Soccer - Girls](#)
- [Varsity Competitive Cheerleading - Coed](#)
- [Varsity Wrestling](#)

Spring

- [Varsity Baseball](#)
- [JV Baseball](#)
- [Varsity Softball](#)
- [JV Softball](#)
- [Varsity Track](#)

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Fall

- [MS Football](#)
- [MS Football Cheerleading](#)
- [MS Volleyball](#)
- [6th Grade Volleyball](#)
- [MS Cross Country](#)
- [MS Golf](#)

Winter

- [MS Basketball - Boys](#)
- [MS Basketball - Girls](#)
- [6th Grade Basketball - Boys](#)
- [6th Grade Basketball - Girls](#)
- [MS Basketball Cheerleading](#)
- [MS Soccer - Boys](#)
- [MS Soccer - Girls](#)
- [MS Competitive Cheerleading](#)

Spring

- [MS Tennis](#)
- [MS Track](#)

All **Varsity** sports include grades 9-12 (high school).

JV sports typically include grades 9 and 10, and at times, middle school athletes.

MS (middle school) means grades 6-8.



Food Ministry

A hot lunch program which is prepared on-site is available for purchase to students, staff and parents. A different entrée of the day is featured and published on a monthly menu. Students in grades 3 and up can also purchase from an a-la-carte menu including salad bar and grilled items such as those listed on the right.

Your child's student ID PROX card contains a microchip that enables it to also be used as a meal card through a company called [MealpayPlus](#). You can go online to check account balances, add value, and monitor the amount your child is spending each day. You can also set it up to notify you by email when the balance on the account is low, and even to automatically charge your credit card to replenish the balance if you desire.

If the card is lost, there is a \$15.00 fee to replace it, but your child's funds are not affected and may be accessed through the new card.

Prices and food items are listed for illustration purposes and are subject to change.

Grades K - 2

Samples only:

Daily Hot Lunch

\$2.99, including milk.

Grades 3 – 12

Samples only:

A la carte Menu

Made-to-order 6" Sub combo meal \$4.99 (Sub combos include chips and drink)

Hamburger Combo Meal \$5.00 (Hot Food combos include fries and drink)

Chicken Tender Combo \$4.50

Chicken Sandwich Combo \$5.00

Grilled Cheese Combo \$3.75

Pizza Combo \$3.99

Self-Serve soup and/or Salad Salads

\$3.49 includes all the fixings

(additional charge for some items, such as chicken strips or chicken salad)

Soup of the day- \$1.49

Pre-made Grab-and-Go salad \$2.99

*Microwaves are available for **all** students who bring a lunch from home that requires reheating.*

Middle School Curriculum

Language Arts

Literature (Mosdos Press)
Vocabulary (Sadlier)
Grammar (Shurley English)
All Write (Houghton Mifflin)
Write Source 2000 (Houghton Mifflin)

Math

Math 6 (Prentice Hall)
Math 7 (Prentice Hall)
Pre-Algebra* (Prentice Hall)
Algebra 1* (Prentice Hall)
** Accelerated track students take Pre-Algebra in 7th grade and Algebra 1 in 8th grade, and receive one high school math credit.*

Science

6th grade: (Pearson)
7th grade: (Pearson)*
8th grade: (Pearson)
Health (Purposeful Design)
** Seventh graders complete Science Fair projects each year.*

Social Studies

6th Grade: *Heritage Studies* (Bob Jones)
7th grade: *World Studies* (Bob Jones)
8th grade: *American Republic* (Bob Jones)

Bible

6th grade: (Purposeful Design)
7th grade: *Route 66* (Positive Action for Christ): Overview of the Bible
8th grade: *Daring Deliverers—Judges/ Acts* (Purposeful Design)

Leadership 1

Life of Significance (Thomas Nelson)
Leadership Rocks (Thomas Nelson)

Leadership 2

Revolution (Thomas Nelson)
Identity Theft (Thomas Nelson)

Middle School Electives

It is our goal to develop each student's God-given talents through our elective courses. We do this through classroom instruction, as well as through participation in competitions and performances. Students receive instruction from teachers who specialize in each area.

Art 1 and 2

Art students are given opportunities to develop their creativity through a variety of mediums. Students will learn a variety of two and three-dimensional techniques including painting, drawing, and sculpting.

Band

We have Beginning, Concert, and Symphonic Band. Students learn instrument techniques, form and analysis, music history and composers, with continued emphasis on teamwork and lifelong enjoyment of music.

Choir

In middle school choir, students learn vocalization, music theory and composition, self-evaluation and analysis, performance, and music history. Our choirs participate in performances, as well as choral festivals and competitions.

Introduction to Literature

Students will explore elements of literature such as plot, theme and point of view. Students will also learn the skills of public speaking.

Speech and Debate

Students will participate in acting, oration and debate. Students will have the opportunity to perform in chapel and participate in the ACSI competition.

Spanish

This course builds on the foundation of basic Spanish vocabulary and grammar concepts, preparing the students for Spanish 1 in high school. Students explore the Spanish language and culture in a variety of ways.

Leadership 1 and 2

This course is designed to equip students to impact their campus, church and community as a devoted follower of Christ. Special emphasis is placed upon effective campus and personal evangelism, as well as the development of a biblical worldview in relation to current "hot topics." Students will learn how to effectively articulate their beliefs while participating in mock debates.

Multimedia Software and Digital Literacy

Students will apply basic technology terms and concepts, use PowerPoint to present current trends in technology, and explore photo, video and web software.

P.E. Elective

This class emphasizes team and recreational sports, as well as personal fitness.

Service

Students can receive credit for assisting teachers in classrooms or the school office. They will do a variety of tasks such as filing, copying, running errands, as well as working with students.

Study Hall

In study hall, students are provided time to study and complete homework assignments.