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HIGH POINT CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
PRESCHOOL

A MESSAGE FROM DR. KEITH CURLEE, HEAD OF SCHOOL

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about the High Point Christian Academy Preschool! We look forward to partnering with you and your family as you embark on a memorable journey for your young child. Our preschool program has prepared so many engaging activities as part of our strategic curriculum to help your child learn and grow in Christ.

Take a moment to review this Preschool information booklet to learn what makes our school more like a family.

MISSION STATEMENT

High Point Christian Academy is committed to Christ-centered, quality education and academic excellence in partnership with family and church within a loving, caring atmosphere.

KINGDOM EDUCATION

The life-long, Bible-based, Christ-centered process of leading a child into a new identity with Christ, building the child up in Christ according to his/her specific abilities given by Christ, and equipping the child to live a life characterized by love, trust, and obedience to Christ.



High Point
Christian Academy
is a ministry of
Green Street
Baptist Church.



A COMMITMENT TO ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH

The preschool program at High Point Christian Academy is based on a developmental, biblically-rooted philosophy. It is our desire to help children grow spiritually, mentally, physically, socially, and emotionally. This development takes time and endeavors to show the student the love of God. This, in turn, gives the student the opportunity to love and serve others.



Preschool education also lays the foundation for future learning much like the building of a strong house. Education at High Point Christian Academy is a partnership between the parent, the school, and the church.

Each classroom at High Point Christian Academy is energized by a challenging and supportive environment. Smaller class sizes enable our talented teachers to provide individual attention and to encourage students to perform at their highest level.



HPCA has an enrollment of over 700 students, 93 faculty and staff members and serves students from over 104 different churches and over 40 different zip codes. Cougar students thrive in an advanced technological environment as they develop 21st century skills. Students have access to 1:1 Chromebooks, AP classes, and online electives in the high school, while all ages enjoy SMART boards, 3D printers, iPads, robotics, and more!

As our preschool students grow, they will be able to enjoy a plethora of fine arts and athletic programs. Fine arts for our older grade students include drama, concert choir, women's ensemble, Bel canto chorus, concert band, jazz band, comic book illustrating, videography, drumline, and visual arts.

There are 33 middle and high school athletic teams in 12 different sports. Our student athletes have won eight state championships and 44 conference titles.



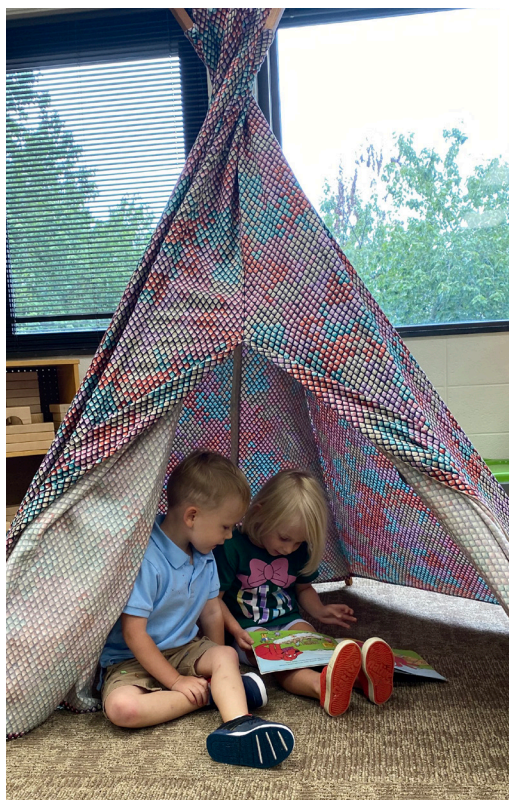
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During these critical young years, children develop foundations for their physical, emotional, social, developmental, and spiritual journey. We know that putting your little one on a trajectory of success is of utmost importance to you.

The High Point Christian Academy Preschool Program provides our community with a safe, loving, caring environment for our young children, while preparing them for a strong future.

Benefits of Preschool at High Point Christian Academy:

- Individual attention within a loving, caring atmosphere
- Foundational skills developed across all disciplines
- Half-day program, with the option of full-day care prepares students for a Kindergarten school day schedule
- Structured program that seamlessly connects with the HPCA Academy through consistent standards of teaching excellence, curriculum overview, and mission philosophy.
- Our team members partner with our families, which ensures clear and consistent communication. This is accomplished through our daily sheets, weekly class newsletters, monthly preschool newsletter, touch/incident reports, and parent-teacher conferences. Parents are able to walk along side of our teachers as we partner together for the benefit of your child.
- Teachers and staff are aware of children's unique backgrounds, experiences, and abilities, and we work to meet your student on their level.
- Lead teachers who continuously participate in professional development opportunities to enhance their teaching skills and abilities and to stay current on best practices in education.



*"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."
- Proverbs 22:6*

PRESCHOOL OVERVIEW

INTERACTIVE LEARNING

Learning at the HPCA Preschool includes hands-on, real-world processing skills in a friendly, and loving environment. Students' developmental skills will grow through classroom activities such as tracing, creating letters with wiki sticks, writing in foam, and making their own snow! Teachers understand the importance of scissor skills, teaching students how to correctly hold their crayons and pencils, and strengthen their fingers and hand muscles. Students build tall towers with blocks, play chef in the kitchen, and engage with one another at the sensory tables. This type of learning engages students, sharpens critical thinking skills, and allows students to expand their imagination.

CURRICULUM

Our three and four year old students have the ability to learn phonics by using Letterland. Letterland was created to teach phonics using a story-based approach. The story logic engages students leading to long term retention of the learned concepts. This curriculum activates students through music, actions, alliteration, movement, song, art, games, and role-playing. This curriculum continues through our TK, Kindergarten and first grades programs as well.

Our 18 months and 2 year old students learn through academics which are catered to their age group. By seeing and hearing names, letters, words, and songs, our youngest of students are able to begin their academic journey with knowledgeable and experienced teachers and staff.

CHRIST-CENTERED ENVIRONMENT

The Bible is woven and integrated throughout all areas of learning. Students learn Bible stories that showcase how God has a plan and purpose for their lives, and that He loves and cares for them. Preschool students create crafts, listen to stories, sing, and dance, while learning God's Word. Teachers pray with and over the students on a daily basis.

Kingdom Education is a term parents and students hear quite frequently at HPCA. This philosophy of teaching is a guide for educating future generations on God's plan for His children. Leading, building, and equipping our students to become life-long disciples for Him is deeply rooted in our foundation.

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Social and emotional development involves several different interrelated concepts. Social interaction focuses on the relationships with others in the classroom. Students learn to take turns, help their friends, respect one another, and play and cooperate with others. Emotional Awareness allows our students to understand how they are feeling and understand the feelings of others. Students learn how to express joy, and sadness. They learn how to calm down when they are frustrated, or show happiness when they are filled with cheer. We work to build confident, curious learners by supporting students' social-emotional development.

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF AN HPCA PRESCHOOL STUDENT

7:30 am

Our optional **Early Room Program** allows working parents the opportunity to drop their little ones off before our official program begins.

8:15 am

Our students learn to independently start their day off by putting their items away in their cubbies and engaging in group play with their friends. Mornings include learning and reviewing the days of the week, the weather, hands-on play time, and book stories.

Preschool 3's and 4's special enrichment activities include:

- **Music** - Beginning in preschool, Cougar students begin making music by singing, dancing, and playing classroom instruments. This special is led by our Elementary Music Coordinator.
- **Media Center** - Students are given the chance to participate in read-a-louds in all genres from our Media Specialist.

10:30 am

Teachers lead **circle time** for our students that includes personalized interaction, socialization, and a focus on academics.

11:00 pm

Hands-on crafts are created, letters are written, toys are played with, smiles are shared, and laughter is overflowing throughout our Preschool hallways each day.

Students venture outside daily on one of **two preschool playgrounds**, as free play is essential for a child's growing mind. This time encourages imagination, exploration, benefits social skills, and promotes physical wellness.

12:00 pm

The **Preschool Afternoon Program** begins at 12:00 pm and is offered until 6:00 pm with varied pick-up times.

This program offers a structured, safe, and loving environment for parents who need more care than just our half-day program. Afternoon students are able to receive a freshly prepared hot-lunch, enjoy nap time, outdoor play, and continued fun and engaging activities.



6:00 pm

BECOME A COUGAR TODAY!

As a parent, your task is two-fold. Not only are you looking for a preschool program where your child can thrive academically, but also for a school where they can grow spiritually.

As you consider a preschool for your child, never forget the impact that your prayers will have on their success. As your child embarks on their learning journey, we encourage you to seek a preschool that will partner with you in helping your child achieve these spiritual disciplines.

Applications are accepted year-round.

Call (336) 841-8702, visit www.HPCACougars.org, or email admissions@hpcacougars.org for enrollment information.





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