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HIGH POINT CHRISTIAN ACADEMY



Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten  
at High Point Christian Academy

# A MESSAGE FROM DR. KEITH CURLEE, HEAD OF SCHOOL

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

Take a moment to review this Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten 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 elementary 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.



Elementary 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 650 students, 93 faculty and staff members and serves students from over 100 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!

In addition to a rigorous academic program, HPCA offers a plethora of fine arts and athletic programs. Fine arts include photography, drama, concert choir, women's ensemble, bel canto chorus, concert band, jazz band, comic book illustrating, videography, and visual arts.

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



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**During this critical year** students develop foundations for their academic journey and beyond. Putting your little one on a trajectory of success is of utmost importance to you, so naturally you wonder, **"Is my child ready?"**

Recognizing the signs of **kindergarten readiness** is essential for a positive experience; however, knowing what to look for is not always easy. Being ready for kindergarten is about so much more than academic aptitude. It is about **developing physical, social, and emotional skills** that set the stage for learning. Most parents will find that their child is ready for kindergarten by age five, but it is important to foster **readiness skills** through simple, everyday play activities.

**If you feel your child is not ready to advance to kindergarten but has already completed a preschool program, transitional kindergarten is an excellent option.**

Giving children extra time to master certain skills is often the greatest gift a parent can provide.

#### **Benefits of Transitional Kindergarten at High Point Christian Academy:**

- **Individual attention** within a loving, caring atmosphere
- Degreed, certified teacher prepared to exceed your child's needs
- Full-day program prepares students for a typical kindergarten day
- **Foundational skills** developed across all disciplines
- Multi-sensory, kinesthetic approach to language development
- Daily, special, **enrichment programs**
- Field trips and special events that engage the mind and prepare students for a life of learning in the classroom and beyond

**If you have questions about the opportunities available to your child in either kindergarten or transitional kindergarten, contact us today!**

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

# Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten

## CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

### READING AND WRITING

Students begin learning how to read and write using phonics-based curriculum. Transitional kindergarten and kindergarten students are encouraged to begin the writing process the first day of school. Developmentally appropriate literature is used to teach character, develop themes and increase their understanding of parts of speech.

### SOCIAL STUDIES

Friendship and teamwork is stressed throughout the school year through various activities as young minds develop a sense of self in relation to the community. Students also learn about many different countries around the world. Learning about the people God has created everywhere deepens students' understanding and appreciation for a variety of cultures which increases their empathy for others.

### MATH

Our math curriculum gives a framework for understanding numeration and its symbols and introduces students to the order of the mathematical world. Discovery of mathematical problems and solutions is integrated throughout the day using math manipulatives and in coordination with language, social studies and science units.

### SCIENCE

Investigation of the natural environment allows students to begin their understanding of scientific thinking and develop hypotheses. Scientific investigation and observation also opens doors to understanding God's world.

### BIBLE

The Bible is woven and integrated throughout all areas of learning. Students learn through Bible stories that God has a plan and purpose for their lives, and that He loves and cares for them. Students are able to observe the order and beauty of God's creation.

# A DAY IN THE LIFE OF AN HPCA YOUNG ELEMENTARY STUDENT

8:00 am	Mornings include <b>written activities</b> , <b>hands-on experimenting</b> and <b>reading time</b> . Students thrive in our Cougar environment that includes the use of <b>smart boards</b> , <b>manipulatives</b> , <b>crafts</b> and a variety of tools to enhance the fine motor skills of these little hands.	
9:00 am	Our younger elementary students are paired with older elementary students who serve as <b>reading buddies</b> throughout the year to foster relationships and continue to build a love of reading.	
10:00 am	Academically, these young minds will explore countries across the globe, mathematical problems, pie charts, science experiments, and most importantly, they will learn of the love of Jesus in each aspect of their curriculum.	
11:00 am	<b>Lunch</b> includes a variety of hot and fresh meal options in our Dining Commons prepared on site and offered daily. Meal options range from chicken tenders with macaroni and cheese and green beans, to personal pan pizzas with fresh fruit.	
12:00 pm	<b>Outdoor free play</b> is essential for a child's growing mind. Students <b>enjoy recess daily</b> , which encourages imagination, benefits social skills, and promotes physical wellness.	
1:00 pm	<b>Daily rest time</b> is enjoyed by our youngest elementary students each afternoon. This affords young minds and bodies the chance to decompress prior to heading home for the day.  Parents receive daily communication from teachers.	
2:15 pm		<p>TK and Kindergarten special enrichment activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Daily classroom worship</b> - Biblically integrated curriculum and bi-monthly chapels are only part of the worship and ministry opportunities for our students to embrace.</li><li>• <b>Physical Education</b> - Students are taught basic skills for running, throwing, jumping, and kicking, as well as spacial awareness.</li><li>• <b>Music</b> - Beginning in preschool, Cougar students begin making music by singing, dancing, and playing classroom instruments.</li><li>• <b>Art</b> - TK and Kindergarten students have the opportunity to explore their creativity.</li><li>• <b>Tech Lab</b> - Students are taught through hands-on learning with the use of computers, robotics, and 3D printing.</li><li>• <b>Media Center</b> - Students are given the chance to participate in read-a-louds in all genres and have the ability to check out books weekly to enjoy at home.</li></ul> <p><i>* Spanish is offered in 1st Grade</i></p>

Morning drop-off begins at 7:30 am and afterschool care is offered until 6:00 pm.

# BECOME A COUGAR TODAY!

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

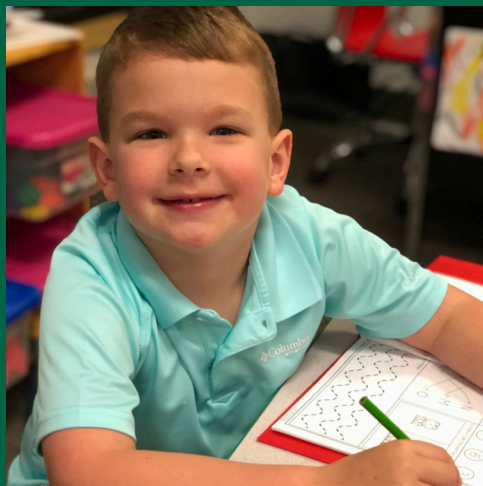
As you consider a future school for your child, never forget the impact that your prayers will have on their success. As your child embarks on their learning journey we encourage you to seek a school that will partner with you in helping your child achieve these spiritual disciplines.

Applications are accepted year-round.

Call (336) 841-8702, visit [www.HPCACougars.org](http://www.HPCACougars.org),  
or email [bsaintsing@hpcacougars.org](mailto:bsaintsing@hpcacougars.org) for enrollment information.







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