

VISION

Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, The fruit of the womb is a reward.

Psalm 27:3

St. Paul Christian School operates on the premise that children are truly gifts from God and we are entrusted not only to care for them in a loving and safe environment, but also to provide an atmosphere that will lead them to experience the love of Jesus Christ. If we can help them establish a meaningful relationship with God as the foundation from which all other education is built upon, then they will be equipped to reach their fullest potential in every area of life.

Our vision is to create an environment in which each child's natural strengths, talents, and spiritual gifts will flourish. We also desire to take the child's weaknesses and disabilities and see them transformed into strengths by motivating them with Godly principles. Teaching children in an atmosphere of acceptance and promoting what the Bible says about them will transform how they see themselves and ultimately how they respond to life situations. Our goal is to equip children to excel in their academic understanding of the world around them and relate to others in a positive way.

We love children of all colors, races, nationalities, and those with disabilities. We are here to serve you and your children and would love the opportunity to help your family grow into the fullness of life God offers to each of us.

ACCREDITATION

St. Paul Christian School is under the watchful care of St. Paul Lutheran Church. The school is a member of the National Lutheran School Accreditation (NLSA) and is in the process of becoming fully accredited through NLSA. We are licensed through the state of Florida (Lic. #CO1OK0064). St. Paul Christian School is a nonprofit organization that is faith-based.

CURRICULUM

Curriculum materials used in the Kindergarten through 5th grade include a culmination of the very best chosen for each individual subject: Singapore Math, Saxon Math, Rod & Staff, Abeka, Geography Matters, Purposeful Design, Atelier and La Clase Divertida (Spanish program), and Bible.

The courses include Language, Phonics/Spelling, Penmanship, Reading, Math, History/Geography, Science/Health, Bible and Physical Education.

Students will attend chapel, art, music, and Spanish class at least once a week. They will attend Physical Education daily.

Enrolled in each class will be 12-15 students. The children will learn in an individualized and small group setting according to ability, strengths and weaknesses, especially in learning reading and math skills. In this setting, it will be easy to cross grade level boundaries so that the child can be challenged in the areas that he/she is gifted and additional support in areas that he/she may be weak. This setting will support a fun, educational, challenging but also safe environment for effective learning to take place.

Field trips and events held at the school throughout the year will influence, excite, and motivate your child to learn.

Each spring, St. Paul students are administered the Stanford Achievement Test (SAT). Students will receive national percentiles and percentiles against other Christian schools.

IMMUNIZATION & SCHOOL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

State law requires that all students attending Florida schools have certain immunizations and a current school health exam. (Public/non-public Preschools and schools: section 1003.22, Florida Statutes, and Rule 64D-3.046, Florida Administrative Code). Failure to comply with these requirements could result in suspensions from school. A letter from the supervisor of the Okaloosa County Health Department must sign a religious exemption of immunizations in order for your child to attend school if you choose not to immunize your child.

1. Student is required to obtain a current Florida Certificate of Immunizations
2. Student is required to obtain a current School Entry Health Exam
3. Student is required to obtain a copy of Birth Certificate.

These 3 forms must be on file in the school office for the child to attend St. Paul Christian School. You will be given 30 days from the first day of school to complete this requirement.

DRESS CODE

We do not have a school uniform but we will have an appropriate dress code in place for each student.

- Student appearance will enhance their Christian testimony of a life adhering to Biblical principles rather than worldly standards. Appropriateness, cleanliness, and neatness of appearance are related to health, general social acceptance, good habit building, and the principle of submission to authority.
- Student's hair should be neatly styled and clean. Extremes in hairstyles that call undue attention to the haircut, such as cutting designs into the hair, bleaching or dyeing unnatural colors will not be tolerated.
- Students will not wear make-up, excessive jewelry, or black fingernail polish. Only one earring per ear may be worn by females only. No other piercings are acceptable.
- No spaghetti straps or strapless shirts or dresses. Also, no open back shirts or dresses.
- Students must dress modestly. Students will wear properly fitting clothing at all times. Blouses that reveal cleavage or midriff as well as oversized or form fitting are not permitted. Skirts and shorts will be no more than 3 inches above the knee. Shorts must be worn under skirts and dresses.
- Jeans or shorts with holes may not be worn at school.
- Sneakers must be worn for P.E. **Gym/workout style clothing may only be worn on mileage club days.**
- T-shirts with any commercial logo **may not** be worn at school unless it is a Christian logo or the logo for St. Paul Christian School.