



# CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH ACADEMY

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## INFORMATION SESSION

Parents should submit an application form before scheduling an information session, and detail their reason/s for choosing home education. Parents must disclose any disciplinary charges pending against your student from any public or private school. Students should have a positive attitude toward home education and toward participating at CBCA.

Please be aware of the following information regarding CBCA:

- >Applications for enrollment must be from a parent or legal guardian of the student.
- >CBCA does not discriminate on the basis of race, nationality, or ethnicity.
- >CBCA is unable to enroll students with exceptionalities who are not able to assimilate into the classroom without special accommodations.
- >CBCA does not accept students who have disciplinary issues pending with another school.
- >CBCA does not accept any government funded student scholarships or grants.
- >Parents/students should be aware of the dress code as outlined in the student handbook, available on our website.

### I. Calvary Baptist Church Academy is a ministry of Calvary Baptist Church

- Founded in 1996, CBCA was established to fill needs of home educating families through:
  - Academic accountability
  - Music/Drama/Art programs
  - Organized conference athletics program
  - Social activities

CBCA handbook will be provided at enrollment. CBCA handbook states, "As we are a ministry of the Calvary Baptist Church and a Christian school, we expect conduct from our students to be in line with Biblical principles..." As a ministry of Calvary Baptist Church in Lakeland, Florida, CBCA adheres to and abides by all aspects of the Calvary Baptist Church Constitution and By-Laws.

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### II. Calvary Baptist Church Academy features:

- **Friday School**

Although we welcome parent involvement, parents are not required to be on premises every Friday, but are required to provide all necessary release forms for their student/s. Students are not allowed to leave campus during the school day without signed parental permission. Grade-specific classes, as available, may include:

Art, Band, Choir, Consumer Science, Drama, Hand Chimes, Yearbook Publication, Tech/Video

  - Students on campus during lunch time should either bring a lunch or pre-order pizza. Snack bar will be available. Menu items or items brought by other students may contain or come into contact with WHEAT, EGGS, PEANUTS, TREE NUTS, MILK, and other ingredients that your child could be allergic to. Parents should be aware of potential exposure to allergens, and remind their student/s to be cautious while in an area where there is a variety of ingredients and foods. CBCA does not monitor food ingredients brought on campus.
  - Yearbook is published by our high school students; ads are sold to offset cost of publication
  - Chapel – grade specific chapel classes take place each Friday
- **High School Fine Arts Competition** (state and national levels)

CBCA is a member of Sunshine State Association of Christian Schools, American Association of Christian Schools, Florida Parent Educators Association, Florida Music Educators Association, and Florida Vocal Association

**SSACS/AACS:**

- Music competition for choirs, band, ensembles, solos
- Drama competition
- Academic competition
- Bible competition
- Art competition

**FMEA/FVA**

- All-County Auditioned Chorus – middle and high school students
- All-State Auditioned Chorus – middle and high school students

**Conference Athletics Program (CBCA is a member of Florida Christian Conference)**

- High School Varsity/Junior Varsity and Junior High, as available:
  - Volleyball – girls 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>
  - Basketball – girls 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>
  - Basketball – boys 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>
  - Golf – co-ed 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>
- Athletic Code of Conduct form required of all athletes
- Annual athletic physical dated after June 1 of current school year (use CBCA form)  
Athletic physical must be submitted before first scheduled practice
- Academic requirements as set forth by FCC

**Other CBCA Activities**

- Fine Arts programs throughout the school year
- Awards program at end of school year
- Holiday Activities
- Kindergarten Graduation
- High School Graduation

All parents/volunteers serving in any capacity are required to complete a **Volunteer Application/Consent form**. Parents are expected to volunteer/assist with the school or with school related events to include:

- Teaching on Fridays
- Assisting teachers
- Athletic coaches or assistants
- Fine Arts competitions
- Fundraising events

**FUND RAISERS:** Each student enrolled at CBCA must participate in any mandatory school-wide fund raisers at a specified minimum level, or pay the established buy-out fee per student per fund raiser.

**CELL PHONE USAGE:** CBCA does not allow students to use cell phones or electronic devices while on campus for Friday classes, at competitions, during assessment testing, or while participating in other CBCA events.

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### III. Program Options offered at CBCA – all under the same price structure

#### 1. **The Full Program** – CBCA diploma/transcript provided

> Parents select curriculum - Academics must be taught by parent/guardian or certified teacher

- CBCA is a 617 non-traditional, non-public school in compliance with Florida statutes.  
**CBCA is not licensed or accredited, but is registered with the State of Florida and has state and federal school ID numbers.**
- CBCA administrative personnel offer guidance and assistance with record keeping, high school graduation requirements, scholarship information, curriculum information
  - We provide all required record keeping forms
  - We review lesson plans to monitor progress and subject content
  - We provide a diploma for high school graduates
  - We provide official transcripts
  - We are affiliates of Florida Virtual School, a free FLDOE program
  - We have articulation agreements for dual enrollment with area colleges
- Under CBCA Record Keeping Program, parents must submit to CBCA:
  - Projected quarter schedule (45 days/quarter – 180 days/year)
  - Parents select quarter start/end dates
  - Lesson plans/grades/attendance records must be submitted each quarter by the end date selected (failure to provide paperwork results in late fees and probation from participation in athletics or fine arts competitions/classes)
  - Academic assessment required ANNUALLY, by either:
  - Evaluation/assessment by a teacher holding a current Florida teacher certification\* or achievement test/standardized test\* administered by a teacher holding a current Florida teacher certification\*

\*CBCA policy does not permit parents of CBCA students to administer/proctor evaluations or standardized tests for their own student/s, with the exception of a parent who holds a current Florida teacher certification.

#### 2. **The Remote Program** – for students seeking record keeping but not attending CBCA classes

- Same academic requirements as CBCA record keeping program
- Remote students are eligible to receive diploma/transcript, and may participate in graduation ceremony at the discretion of CBCA administration.

#### 3. **The Associate Program** –offered to traditional home educating families who are not affiliated with CBCA record keeping program (no diploma/transcript provided)

- Register with your county superintendent of education or other record keeping source and report progress annually to them.
- Parents select curriculum and maintain all records and grades.
- Academics must be taught by parent/guardian or certified teacher.
- Students may attend CBCA “Friday School” and may participate in all CBCA activities.

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IV. **Tuition, Fees, and Steps to Enroll** - refer to Fee Schedule for prices

**All fees and tuition are non-refundable.**

- Registration fee – due at registration
- Tuition – may be paid in full or by payment plan (no additional cost for payment plan)
- Additional fees as specified on Fee Schedule

**Steps to Enroll (based upon acceptance) after attending information session:**

- Submit completed registration forms and pay registration fee (tuition and other fees or a signed payment plan) will be due by first Friday session
- Provide copy of student’s birth certificate
- Provide mandatory Florida Dept of Health forms:

> Student School-Entry Health Exam (**form DH3040**)

> Medical immunization\* record (**form DH680**)

***Transfer students from out of state need to obtain Florida immunization form.***

***Out-of-state school-entry physical form may be used if on a comparable form and dated within one year.***

\* In accordance with Florida statutes, parents may choose to exempt from immunizing their children for one of the following reasons and must provide CBCA with either of the following form/s:

> Religious exemption (FL DEPT OF HEALTH FORM 681)

> Medical exemption (FL DEPT OF HEALTH FORM 680 - PART C)

- Provide grades from previous academic year (***record keeping program only***).
- Provide results (dated within 12 months) of a standardized achievement test administered by a certified teacher or provide an evaluation administered by a certified teacher - (all students must comply, with the exception of students who transfer from a public school system, since certification requirements would have been met at that school) (***record keeping program only***)
- See the administrative assistant to obtain and review record keeping forms packet (***record keeping program only***)
- Arrange with the financial office to pay fees and/or set up payment plan.

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	Record-Keeping*	Fine Arts/ Athletics/ Classes	CBCA Maintains Academic Transcript	Annual Assessment Required	May participate in Graduation Ceremony	Diploma/ Transcript Provided
Full Program	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Associate Program		✓			✓	
Remote Program	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓

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### **Information Session Acknowledgment**

I acknowledge that I have read and/or been presented with and understand the information contained in the Information Session outline. My signature on this page does not obligate me to any program offered by CBCA. This is strictly an acknowledgment that I have read or been presented with the content of this informational publication.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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Print Name