

WESTBURY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

A Half-Century of Shaping Future Leaders: A Legacy of Faith, Wisdom, and Diversity

ADMISSIONS GUIDE





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FROM OUR HEAD OF SCHOOL

Welcome to Westbury Christian School!

We are excited that you are considering Westbury Christian as a partner in educating your children. At WCS, your children will be surrounded by a loving faculty that is committed to their spiritual and intellectual growth. Your child will faithfully pursue Truth, cultivating a deep curiosity and strong understanding of academics as they grow intellectually. Your child will grow in wisdom and leadership, learning to use their gifts and talents to influence others and impact the world for Christ. Your child will develop strong relationships, embracing the value of diverse experiences, backgrounds, and abilities in growing together.

We pray that each of our students is transformed by Christ through the experiences they have at our school, and we can't wait for your family to be a part of our community.

We look forward to supporting, facilitating, and witnessing the incredible growth in your students in the years to come.

Welcome to the Wildcat community! I look forward to seeing you on campus soon.

Nathan Wagner

Head of School



ADMISSIONS PROCESS

APPLICATION DATES AND DEADLINES

SEPTEMBER	Applications Open
END OF FEBRUARY	First Round Admissions Deadline
END OF MARCH	Second Round Admissions Deadline
DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR	Applications will be accepted for grades as space allow. Call the Admissions Department for more information. (713) 551-8100.



LEARN

Westbury Christian School provides a private Christian education for students in grades K3 – 12 in Southwest Houston.

A vibrant community of learners, WCS is a reflection of the Kingdom —faithful, wise, and diverse. We are faithful in our pursuit of Truth, cultivating a deep curiosity and establishing strong knowledge of the disciplines. We are wise in leadership, intelligently pursuing courageous purpose and vision. We are diverse like the Kingdom, contributing our unique backgrounds, talents, and experiences in growing together.

WCS proudly continues our 50-year commitment to excellence in academics, student activities, and spiritual development. Competitive tuition provides working families the opportunity to give their children a Biblically-based education. We also actively work to maintain student diversity that reflects the current populace of southwest Houston. WCS is privileged to serve families from a variety of religious faiths, ethnicities, and socioeconomic backgrounds.



VISIT

Families can attend one of our admissions events which includes:

- **Private Tour** by appointment - schedule on our website
- **Coffee Talk and Tour** - Group morning tours for our prospective families
 - **Lower School:** First Wednesday of each month
 - **Middle School & High School:** Second Wednesday of each month
- **Attend a Preview Day:** Offered twice a year in October and January

ADMISSIONS PROCESS (CONT.)



APPLY

APPLICATION & FEES

An online application must be submitted for each child for whom you are applying. Fees collected at time of application include a non-refundable Application Processing Fee.

REQUIRED FORMS

All required forms can be submitted via email to admissions@westburychristian.org or fax (713) 551-8117.

Provided by Schools:

- A clear copy of student's most recent report card of the current school year
- Copies of student's final report cards for the previous 2 years
- Copies of student's Achievement Test Scores for the previous 2 years

Provided by Parents/Guardians:

- Copy of student's up-to-date Immunization Record
- Copy of student's birth certificate.
- Copy of evaluation/diagnostic paperwork, if applicable.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation forms (located on our website) must be faxed at 713-551-8117 or emailed to admissions@westburychristian.org directly from the current school to Westbury Christian School.

DIVORCE DECREE OR CUSTODY DOCUMENTATION (IF APPLICABLE)

ADMISSIONS TESTING

Additional information regarding testing, pricing, and scheduling is located at

westburychristian.org/discover-wcs/

- **Pre-K3 - Pre-K4:** Gesell Developmental Observation
- **Kindergarten:** Gesell Developmental Observation and Kindergarten Readiness Test
- **1st Grade:** Gesell Developmental Observation and achievement test in math and reading
- **2nd-4th Grade:** Achievement test in math and reading
- **5th-12th Grade:** Independent School Entrance Exam (ISEE); Otis-Lennon School Ability Test (OLSAT)

SHADOW VISIT

Shadow visits are required for Middle School and High School. Students applying for K3-4th grade will have a classroom visit and meet with the Lower School Principal. Admissions will contact families to schedule and provide more details.

FAMILY INTERVIEW

Both parents must attend the Principal Interview, and applicants for grades 5th-12th grade must attend as well.



SUBMIT

SUBMIT ENROLLMENT CONTRACT & NEW STUDENT ENROLLMENT FEE

Accepted students will receive an email from the Admissions Committee with a link to the Continuous Enrollment Contract. Once the contract and enrollment fee is submitted, your student is officially enrolled as a Wildcat!



WELCOME TO WESTBURY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL!

18,720. That's approximately how many hours a student will spend in school from kindergarten through high school. The number is even higher if you include preschool or after-school activities. Selecting a school to partner with in raising your children is a big decision. They will be with their teachers, coaches, and administrators for a significant portion of their day. **At Westbury Christian, our students spend those hours with dedicated Christian educators who prioritize positive relationships with students.** We believe that qualified Christian educators create great experiences for students, which drives learning and growth. Our dedicated faculty will support students as they grow intellectually, and they will encourage and challenge them to grow in their faith, ultimately preparing them for here and eternity.

Nathan Wagner
Head of School

WHAT MAKES WCS ACADEMICS DIFFERENT?

- **Purposefully small class sizes.** Our average class size of 12 allows teachers to know their students and work with them individually to meet their academic goals.
- **9:1 student-teacher ratio** enables us to strengthen the curriculum and move further and faster than most programs to heighten academic growth while ensuring that we encourage and support each individual student.
- Core and electives are taught from a Christian perspective and provide for the education of the whole child.
- **1:1 Technology Program.** For students in Kindergarten through 6th grade, laptops stay in each student's classroom. Laptops have age-appropriate use to enhance the academic curriculum. Middle School and High School students are responsible for their laptops.
- **4 Science labs.** 3 science labs and a WCS Makerspace allow our students the ability to explore and discover God's creation. The WCS Makerspace allows for discovery learning, project-based learning, and innovative thinking. With three 3D printers, our students have a chance to explore, test, and solve problems, and it also provides a convenient space for collaborative work on projects.

PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE

A Westbury Christian School graduate will strive to make intentional and virtuous decisions in their walk with Christ, deepening their understanding of Him. A WCS graduate will courageously accept challenges as opportunities for growth while they explore their God-given potential with resilience and tenacity, striving to always give their best effort in each situation. They strive to glorify God by displaying a Christ-centered love in their service to others. They seek Him in order to be a light in the world. A WCS graduate will be a compassionate member of society who honors cultural diversity to lead and support others with empathy.



Nathan Wagner
Head of School

Kaitlyn Ballard
High School Principal

Annette Turner
Middle School Principal

Amanda Archer
Lower School Principal

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LOWER SCHOOL



OVERVIEW

Westbury Christian's Lower School consists of two sections: a Primary Department (Preschool, Kindergarten and 1st Grade) and an Elementary Department (2nd-4th Grade). Our Christian teachers are trained to teach from a holistic, Christ-centered curriculum that provides an enriched learning experience to enhance the child's age-appropriate development. Our primary department nurtures each child by offering carefully selected learning experiences that develop your child socially, emotionally, intellectually, and physically. As they progress through the primary years, we foster their love for learning and use many concrete and sequential strategies to support your student's personalized needs. Our elementary program is designed to help your child think critically and apply their learning in cross-curricular ways. Our teachers will guide students in the transition from learning how to read to reading to learn and becoming more responsible and mature learners.



Amanda Archer, M. Ed
Lower School Principal

THE HEART OF LOWER SCHOOL

We believe that every child is created in the image of God and has unique gifts and talents. Our goal is to provide a nurturing and supportive environment where each child can thrive academically, spiritually, and socially. Our curriculum is designed to challenge students and prepare them for success in college and beyond. We offer a variety of extracurricular activities and field trips to help students explore their interests and develop their skills. We are committed to partnering with parents to provide the best possible education for your child. We encourage you to be involved in your child's education and to communicate with us regularly.



LOWER SCHOOL CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

GRADE	BIBLE	LANGUAGE ARTS	HISTORY	MATH	SCIENCE
PRE-K	OT/NT Overview	Centers, Unit Studies and Play-Based Learning			
K	OT/NT Overview	Phonics, Writing, Literature	Local History	Texas Go Math	Studies Weekly Science
1	OT Overview	Phonics, Grammar, Writing, Literature	United States	Texas Go Math	Purposeful Design
2	Gospels	Phonics, Grammar, Writing, Literature	Government	Texas Go Math	Purposeful Design
3	OT/ Israel	Reading, Grammar, Writing Skills, Vocabulary	American History	Texas Go Math	Purposeful Design
4	Acts/ History of Early Church	Novel Studies, Writing, Vocabulary	Texas History	Texas Go Math	Purposeful Design

In addition to the core classes in Lower School, students are given many opportunities to learn and grow in our enrichment activities:

P.E. - Each grade level visits twice a week.

Art - Each grade level attends twice a week

Music - Each grade level attends twice a week.

Library - Each grade level visits once a week.

Field Trips - Students in Kindergarten-4th grade take educational field trips throughout the school year.

Community Service - All grades complete a service project to serve our community outside the classroom.



MIDDLE SCHOOL

OVERVIEW

The Westbury Christian Middle School serves students in fifth through eighth grade. Every facet of our middle school program is intentionally crafted to foster your child's spiritual, mental, and physical preparation for high school.

Our teachers train students to analyze and think critically about real-world problems. We believe Middle School should be a time of exploration of your student's passions, interests, and gifts. Our curriculum allows students to also participate in after-school activities like theatre and sports teams. Students as young as fifth grade can compete in non-contact sports. Middle school students also have 12 elective offerings. From coding to art to strength and conditioning, WCS offers a variety of electives for Middle School students to pursue and discover their talents. Our Middle School students also have many class bonding experiences throughout the year. In the beginning of the school year, all students attend the Middle School retreat which allows students to build relationships with one another.



Annette Turner, MA
Middle School Principal

WCS MIDDLE SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

We can all remember the fear and excitement of approaching our teenage years and the feeling of not knowing what was coming around the next corner. We want to help make the high school transition as smooth as possible for your child. Our students are really at a time of discovery. They are experiencing independence and responsibility in a way they never have before. Our staff does a great job of nurturing your child while at the same time pushing them at a slightly uncomfortable pace helping them to grow and mature in ways that will make you proud to be their parents. As a diverse school, our Wildcat teachers build a culture that celebrates, recognizes, and honors the unique gifts, qualities, backgrounds, and personalities of all our students, enriching their understanding of the world God created.



MIDDLE SCHOOL CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

GRADE	BIBLE	LANGUAGE ARTS	HISTORY	MATH	SCIENCE
5	OT/NT Overview	Literature/Composition	United States	Math 5	Physical Science
6	Gospels	Literature/Composition	Ancient History	Math 6	Earth Science
7	OT Overview	Literature/Composition	History of Texas	Math 7	Life Science
8	Luke	Literature/Composition	Government, Civics, & US History	Pre Algebra Algebra 1	Earth Systems IPC

In addition to the core classes in Middle School, students are given many opportunities to learn and grow in our elective offerings:

5th Grade: PE and Band are required.

6th Grade: PE and Band are required. (Pick 1) Art, Athletics - Basketball (girls), Athletics - Strength and Conditioning (boys), Theatre, Engineering I, Introduction to Spanish

7th Grade: (Pick 2) Art, Athletics - Basketball (girls), Athletics - Strength & Conditioning (boys), Choir, Coding, Band, Theatre, P.E., Engineering I, Introduction to Spanish, Study Hall

8th Grade: (Pick 2) Art, Athletics - Basketball (girls), Athletics - Strength & Conditioning (boys), Band, Coding, Choir, Theatre, P.E., Study Hall, Spanish I, Engineering I, Engineering II

HIGH SCHOOL



OVERVIEW

Westbury Christian's high school consists of grades 9-12th grade. Beginning in 9th grade, students participate in our Freshmen Symposium, which develops skill sets for high school and beyond. Our personalized approach allows us to know our students and challenge them. Each grade prepares your students for a successful college and career beyond Westbury Christian. We prepare students for college by our rigorous academic program and allow them the chance to get ahead in college with our Dual Credit Program and 18 AP Course offerings. While academics are important, we believe in a holistic approach to education. We encourage our students to participate in new clubs, compete on sports teams, and discover their talents in Fine Arts. We want our students to graduate from Westbury Christian informed, well rounded and strong Christian leaders.



Kaitlyn Ballard, M. Ed
High School Principal

WCS HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

Be known. Be seen. Be More. Westbury Christian School's High School program is focused on developing independence in the hearts and minds of young adults. Beginning in ninth grade, students are expected to move toward self-motivation and self-control in their spiritual, academic, and behavioral choices. Ultimately, exhibiting spiritual maturity and the ability to transition successfully into a collegiate program demonstrates success. Having Bible classes every day as part of our required curriculum, as well as chapel twice a week, promotes spiritual maturity, while a rigorous academic program, which provides the opportunity for students to select from more than 18 AP classes and 12 Dual Credit opportunities, develops academic excellence. Our educators care and disciple their students to prepare for life after WCS.



HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

FINE ARTS OFFERINGS INCLUDES:

- Visual Art
- Performing Arts
- Theatre Technology

CLUBS AND LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE:

- ASL Club
- Bible Club
- Book Club
- Drumline
- HOSA
- Interact Club
- International Thespian Society
- Mu Alpha Theta Club
- National Art Honor Society
- National Honor Society
- Robotics
- Spanish National Honor Society
- Student Ambassador
- Student Council
- Yearbook

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cheerleading
- Cross Country
- Football
- Golf
- Soccer
- Softball
- Track & Field
- Volleyball



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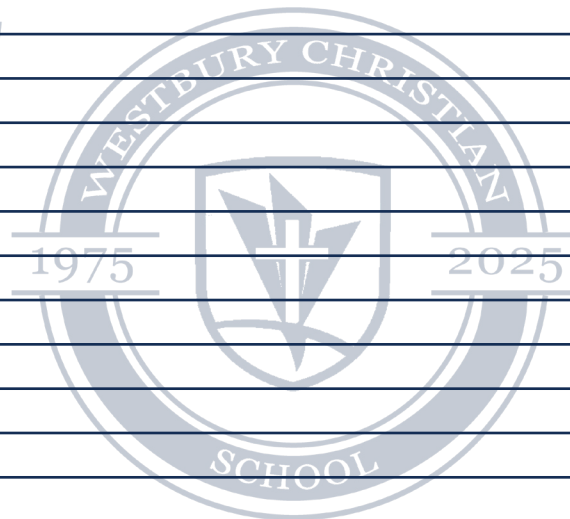


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ADMISSIONS POLICIES

Applicants must be of good moral character, be eligible to re-enroll in the school last attended, and be free from behavioral problems. Report cards and test scores must indicate the student's ability to meet the high standards expected of students at Westbury Christian School.

Pre-K3—Kindergarten: For admission into Pre-K3, Pre-K4, and K, students must be 3, 4, and 5, respectively, before August 1st and must be toilet trained. Students are accepted on a six-week probation period. The Lower School Principal has the right to immediately dismiss any child that is not a good fit for our program. In this event, tuition will be prorated. Should a parent remove the child on their own for any reason, the parents may be responsible for the full year's tuition.



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