

LEGACY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY 2023-2024

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Nursery-Ages 0-2yr

This class is provided as a service for infants and toddlers whose parents are actively teaching or assisting in a class during period 1, 2 or 3. We expect nursery children to be with their parent **at all times** except when the parent is actively working on a team in a classroom. This includes Opening Announcements, lunch, before and after school, and the parent's free period. You are welcome to stay in the nursery on your off period to enjoy the fellowship of other new moms or bring your baby with you to the mom's fellowship area. Please pick your children up promptly at lunch and at the close of Class Day so the women in that room may leave to attend to their own children. Our goal is to provide a warm, safe, and loving environment for the children.

*Health Note: Please only bring healthy babies and toddlers to this room.
Refer to the LCA Sick Policy for details.

Preschool 3-5yr

These classes include a time of play, stories, circle time, music, games, crafts, and movement for little ones whose parents are working at Class Day. Please pick up promptly at the end of class day. A 10-minute snack time (parent provided snack) during the first or second period is an integral part of this class. **All preschool children must be potty trained.**

PreK Music: We will introduce the kids to different types of music, as well as teaching them a few simple songs to sing, possibly perform at the end of the semester and/or holiday opening sessions. We will also have instruments for the kids to play and learn about.

Kindergarten (for students 5yr-6yr who are enrolled in K-6th or K-12th)

There will be three class periods for our Kindergartners that will include:

Theater Storytelling: We will enjoy all things story related by reading, creating our own, and acting out stories. We will do this with lots of fun hands-on activities that encourage the use of our imaginations!

Art in Motion: Art in Motion will focus on being active! We will plan games and activities to help our friends get out some wiggles and have fun playing together!

What's Bugging You?: Students will have fun learning about butterflies, spiders, ants, and other bugs through literature, hands-on activities, and crafts.

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Living on the Prairie (1st-3rd)

We will discuss and explore the unique characteristics of the prairie ecosystem, through art, craft, historical character studies, science and nature studies, and prairie-based life skills! Students will learn what is unique and beautiful about the prairie where they live, and develop an appreciation for its diversity!

PE (1st-3rd)

Class sessions will include warm ups, stretching and various games/physical activities. The student will find emphasis on being active, trying out new activities, cooperating with one another, being a good sport and having fun with their friends. This class will encourage students to pursue healthy, active lives. They will take part in health-related physical fitness and team-building activities. Students will also learn the rules and skills necessary to play a variety of activities that foster positive social interactions.

Story Art (1st-3rd)

Join us as we get inspired by books! Create fun art projects based on your favorite stories and characters. Please bring an oversized shirt or art smock to protect your clothing. Let's get artistic!

Lego (1st-3rd)

We will use our creativity and imagination to build Lego projects in teams. Students will have fun participating in Lego games and learn some of the history behind these amazing interlocking blocks!

Who Was? (1st-3rd)

In this class, students will be exploring the stories of trailblazers, legends, innovators, significant landmarks and historical events through the Who Was? And What Was? series of books. This class will involve classroom teacher reading and activities, crafts, and experiments to reinforce our reading.

American Heroes (1st-3rd)

American Heroes will be a class that highlights heroes of the past as well as heroes of today like police, fire, first responders, military and any other great American Heroes!

Fun with Reading (1st-3rd)

Have you ever wanted to immerse yourself in a good story? Then join us for fun with reading where we will share some of our favorite books with you. We'll model some good reading strategies, enjoy fun activities sparked by the stories, and learn some valuable character lessons along the way. No reading prerequisites required.

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Animal Habitats (1st-3rd)

Fun lessons about various animal habitats. Learn about animals and their homes from the Arctic to the Tropics!

Nature, Art, & Poetry (1st-3rd)

We will explore the beauty of nature and art through poetry in this Charlotte Mason-inspired course. Students will be introduced to a variety of different poets and styles; reading, illustrating, and copying poems and occasionally even acting out favorite stanzas. We will also spend time observing nature and writing our own poetry as a class. Once per semester, students will pick a poem to memorize and recite at the end of each semester.

Flat Stanley (1st-3rd)

Do you like to travel and see new places? So does Flat Stanley! Join us as we follow him across the United States. We'll discover fascinating places as we explore each region of the country. We'll also learn some geography and have a lot of fun along the way.

Science is Fun (1st-3rd)

Join us for an engaging class focused on hands-on science experiments while learning about a variety of topics. Have you ever wondered where color comes from? Where do rocks come from? Why do leaves look the way they do or why the moon changes shape? Then this is the class for you! We will be reading, experimenting, and keeping a basic scientific journal.

Math Crafts (1st-3rd)

Each week we will use an engaging craft to cover math concepts including: telling time, measuring, fractions, geometry, money, coins, adding, and subtracting. We will also play math games to review the topics learned.

Upper Elementary Course Descriptions:

Reptiles, Amphibians, and Fish...Oh My! (G&B Science) (4th-6th)

Let's travel the globe while we explore the amazing world of scaly, slithering and swimming creatures. We will learn about the lives, characteristics, and ecosystems of these unusual and amazing animals.

Mental Math Games (4-6th)

Mental Math is a student's ability to make calculations in their mind without the guidance of pencil and paper, calculators, or other aids. It is often used as a way to calculate and estimate quickly, using math facts that students have committed to memory, such as multiplication, division, doubles facts, etc. This class is for kids who love math, and for kids who want/need a little help learning math facts in a fun, activity-based environment.

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Lego (4th-6th)

We will use our creativity and imagination to build Lego projects in teams. Students will have fun participating in Lego games and learn some of the history behind these amazing interlocking blocks!

Beginning Sewing (4th-8th)

Wanting to learn fun basics for sewing? This is the class for your child—teaching the basics of sewing by hand and with a machine. We will be learning some hand sewing stitches and we will introduce the sewing machine and complete at least two cool projects. This class will require a sewing kit that is needed every class time, but the sewing machine won't be needed until Jan. You will need to purchase fabric for the machine sewing projects. No homework unless you want to practice what you learn at home, or you didn't complete everything in class.

Choir (4th-8th)

We will be learning a variety of music this year including worship, hymns, gospel, jazz, classical, Broadway, folk songs and writing our own original music.

Right Brained Creations (4th-8th)

Right Brained Creations is a class geared towards doing fun arts and crafts projects. Projects will appeal to boys and girls, use a variety of creative mediums, and will result in some great take home art! Your refrigerator is going to be so proud! Supplies will be provided and directions will be demonstrated but students will be encouraged to use their own inspiration to make their pieces their very own.

Poet-Tea (4th-6th)

Explore the world of poetry while enjoying fun varieties of tea! Each week we'll provide kid-friendly tea options and look at a different style or author of poetry. Students will read poetry, write their own using helpful techniques, and maybe even recite a little. No expertise required--this class is just for fun and learning a little about poetry along the way!

Mapping the World Art (4th-8th)

Get ready to learn, make crafts and eat foods from different countries all around the world. This class can be taken as a supplement to families using MFW Exploring Countries and Cultures curriculum, but you do not need to be using it to join the class. Any student interested in geography, social studies and art would enjoy it. We will learn about many different cultures, read about different missionaries that went to spread the good news to different people groups, do art projects and occasionally have special treats related to a certain country and culture that we are studying.

PE (4th-6th)

This will be a fun, active class with an emphasis on learning different playground games, fundamentals of different sports, and a general knowledge of physical fitness. We will focus on things like strength, balance, speed and agility, movement, teamwork, being a good sport, and having fun with friends. This class will encourage students to pursue healthy, active lives.

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Drawing & Decoding Through History (4th-6th)

Join us on an exciting journey through time as we draw and write our way through History! From pyramids, Greek myths and knights, to Samourais and Lady Liberty, students will learn World History facts while sharpening their writing and drawing skills.

Applied Engineering (4-8th)

Students will learn natural design elements from God's world and create connections benefiting our quality of life that help us work more efficiently. With the help of science activities/experiments, this class will study engineering ideas to inspire improvements and new technologies in our lives.

Critical Thinking with the Tuttle Twins (4th-8th)

In this class we will be exploring a vast array of free-market topics in a fun way with the Tuttle Twins. The books teach relevant freedom-based concepts such as individual rights, proper role of government and what it means to be free. They explain these ideas simply, and with helpful illustrations. We will read a book per week together in class and have discussion about the ideas that built our amazing country. You will be amazed at how well kids rise to the challenge of learning these "adult" ideas. No need to buy the books.

7th – 12th Grade Course Descriptions:

Historical World Changers (7th-9th)

There are scores of people throughout history that have made an impact and have stood strong in the face of hardships. This class will dive into learning about several different men and women that you may or may not know very much about, but whose lives and actions were remarkable. We will be learning about men and women from different time periods in history and we will conclude the year with each student making a project about one of the people we learned about in class. Come learn how history can challenge and inspire us in how we live our lives today!

Science in the Atomic Age LAB- Homework Required (7th-8th)

An engaging laboratory-based, middle school science course that covers a wide range of topics that are of interest to modern scientists. Introducing scientific concepts in the context of history, students will follow the work of the scientists who lived during the mid-1900s period known as "The Atomic Age." This easy-to-read text starts with an introduction to the scientific method and the role of experiments before moving on to describe the story of how scientists developed the quantum-mechanical model of the atom. They'll learn about the experiments that led to this model along with the stories of the scientists who did the experiments. Students will then build on their understanding to learn about the Periodic Table of the Elements and how to interpret it. Chapters also cover fascinating new discoveries such as the function of the human appendix, the human microbiome, and soft tissue found in dinosaur fossils. Throughout the course, God's design in nature is highlighted, and topics in the creation/evolution debate are discussed. **Materials Needed:** *Science in the Atomic Age*, by Jay Wile

NOTE to Parents: Our LABS are a Lab ONLY. The lab report /notebook is graded at each Class Day. Parents function as the student's primary teacher and are responsible for ensuring students complete all reading and for helping their student prepare for all tests and quizzes. The final grade for this course is given by the parent.

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Gameschooling (7-12th)

From strategic to silly and everything in between, Gameschooling will give students a chance to have some fun and learn new games. Students who are interested in leading a game will be given the opportunity to teach their game to others in the class.

Sculpture (9th-12th)

This sculpture class will cover 3 dimensional design utilizing the planning process of turning a two-dimensional design into a three-dimensional sculpture. Students will have the opportunity to sculpt using a variety of materials including wire, clay, and paper. Abstract and concrete subject matter will be covered. Students will develop appropriate proportions for each work and utilize effective use of negative space to create visually interesting works. Drawing skills recommended for success in this class.

High School credit (1 credit) is available for students who complete all in class and at home homework.

Publishing & Cookbook 101-Homework Required (9th-12th)

Welcome to our course! In our class, we will be using a variety of helpful software programs, such as Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher, Google Docs, Sheets, Slides, iWork Pages, Numbers, and Keynote, to teach you important skills. We'll work together to create an LCA Cookbook, develop ads to gather recipes and promote the cookbook, and use our newfound skills to manage orders and finances. This is a great opportunity to showcase your skills while raising funds for LCA High School Activities. To successfully complete your assignments, you'll need access to a computer, so please bring one to class if possible. There may be some assignments to work on outside of class as well. Completing all of the assignments will earn you 1 technology credit toward your High School transcript. However, if you don't complete the assignments, you'll only earn 0.5 credit.

Biology LAB-Homework Required (9th-12th)

This Discovering Design with Biology is a laboratory-based high school biology course is the first biology course a college-bound student should take. It gives the student an introduction to how living organisms are designed, how they interact with one another, and how they interact with their physical environment.

Materials Needed: *Discovering Design with Biology*, by Jay Wile.

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Spanish I -Homework Required (9th-12th)

Spanish I is the introductory course in the Spanish language and culture. During this course, students will develop speaking, writing, reading, and listening skills in Spanish around topics related to the everyday life of a student. Students will be required to bring a 3 ring binder and lined paper to take notes and keep their handouts in order.

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High School English Survey-*Homework required* (9th-12th)

A little of everything that a student should cover in high-school English! With a focus on analysis and understanding, through conversation and activities, we'll explore and perfect standard essays, read and analyze several works of great literature, and learn about literary techniques, short stories, poetry, nonfiction, and more. A small portion of the class will be spent on grammar, usage, and mechanics review, but the focus will be on helping students learn to write and analyze effectively. When all homework is completed, this class counts for approximately 1 high-school English credit.

Yearbook/Photography-*Homework required* (9th-12th)

In this course students will gain skills in one or more of the following areas: page design, beginning publishing techniques, while producing a creative, innovative yearbook which records school memories and events. There is an emphasis on journalism skills in this class. Participants gain useful, real world skills in time management, marketing, teamwork and design principles. Requirements: Each student must have a laptop computer (tablets will not work) for use in class along with internet access in class and at home.

NOTE to Parents: If all required at home practice, projects, study and in class work is completed, this course will fulfill one-half (.5) elective credit for your student's high school transcript. Grades assessed by class teacher for participation and completion of projects by due date.

Adulting 101 (9th-12th)

Congratulations! You graduated high school! Now it's time to see what being an adult is all about. We will cover everything from paying rent, meal planning, balancing a checking account ledger, making a schedule, purchasing a car, and more. This class gives the students a preview of the cost of living on one's own and how to "adult" successfully.

Home & Party Design (7-12th)

Do you love to decorate for parties or dream of designing your own home? Well this is the class for you!! We will be designing our dream homes from top to bottom. This class will also focus on party planning, step by step. Students will need access to the internet for projects.

Survival & Prep (7th-12th)

Building a foundation of knowledge and skills for preparation and survival in a variety of situations, from extreme weather to wilderness to grid-down urban scenarios.

Cooking (7th-12th)

We will dive into the basics of cooking and more in depth on how to pair flavors. We will cover food safety, knife skills and so many other culinary skills! This class will be part cooking and part baking. Students will enter the world of baking and pastry. They'll learn techniques that go past your basic cookie recipe and learn some cake decorating skills as well.

***Disclaimer: food sensitivities will be very difficult to accommodate for half of the classes this school year. If your child has sensitivities we may not be able to work around them.

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French II-Homework required (9th-12th)

This class will build on last year's course. Students will use the same book, and will work on improving speaking and dialog skills. Must have completed French 1 or have similar experience in French language.

Papercrafting (7th-12th)

Paper is such an amazing material because it holds so many possibilities to create. Using simple techniques, a little glue, some scissors, and some hare-brained ideas we will create fabulous projects. Everyone in class will create gifts to share, decorative pieces for their room, and statement art pieces.

PE (7th-12th)

Class sessions will include warm ups, stretching and various games/physical activities. The student will find emphasis on being active, trying out new activities, cooperating with one another, being a good sport and having fun with their friends. This class will encourage students to pursue healthy, active lives. They will take part in health-related physical fitness and team-building activities. Students will also learn the rules and skills necessary to play a variety of activities that foster positive social interactions.

NOTE to Parents: If paired with an at home fitness program and completed class participation, this course will fulfill 1 physical education credit.

Watercolor God's Creation (7th-12th)

Join us as we explore and journal God's amazing creations through the use of watercolor. Each class we will work on one of God's beautiful designs, watercolor techniques, and a bible verse. Each student will be responsible for their own watercolor journal book and paint set. Come for a relaxing class while we reflect on scripture and watercolor.

High School Speech-Homework required (9th-12th)

Students will learn how to prepare and present a series of speeches including, but not limited to informative, demonstrative, persuasive and impromptu. Students will learn about the different elements of communication including body language, delivery, and content. Students will practice not only presenting but also critiquing and providing constructive feedback to their peers. Communication emphasis is to simulate "real-world" experiences vs. the study of rhetoric or formal debate. Students who complete all assignments will earn 1 high school speech credit.

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