



CHRIST BRIDGE
ACADEMY

Engaging, Encouraging, Empowering Christ-Like Learners

Greetings parents and perspective parents;

We hear all the time that miracles happen everyday, but until you experience them daily it really is hard to see. Since February 11th, we have seen God move in such incredible ways, it is truly unbelievable. I have told a few of you individually that we are living part of the lyrics from a song “Come to the Altar” by Elevation Worship, “From the ashes a new life is born.” That new life now has a name, Christ Bridge Academy. Nicknamed the Archangels for equipping the “messengers and warriors of God”; Christ Bridge will open enrollment in mid-March, and open its doors on a (new to us) campus in Jennings in August of 2021. The school site is in the paperwork phase, and the campus alone is nothing short of a miracle story I can’t wait to share with you as soon as we finalize the paperwork.

The calling of four former Bethel Christian School teachers has developed into a staff of nine (currently) as we continuously plan the future not only for our kids and students, but prayerfully yours as well. Here are a few answers to some frequently asked questions.

1. Christ Bridge Academy is a stand alone, non-denominational (I like to say ALL-denominational) private school that is currently seeking state approval and then will swiftly move into accreditation process with ACSI- Association of Christian Schools International, one of the largest Christian education associations in the world, one we are already a member of as of last week. We are not associated or backed by a single church home. We are a community Christian school welcoming all church families to become involved.
2. We have lofty goals for Excellence in Education, a phrase thrown around too much in my opinion, but goals such as; We would like our students to score a 17 on the ACT by the end of their 8th grade year. We plan on graduating our future seniors with enough college credits to qualify for an associates degree. (Just to name a few) We have begun early discussions with Sowela Tech in Jennings on dual enrollment possibilities as early as next school year for our 11th and 12th graders.
3. Our school schedule will be Monday through Thursday (face to face instruction) from roughly 7:50 am to 3:30 pm for grades PK-12th.

4. We have outreach days called “Impact Days” where, on certain Thursdays and future Fridays, we will be the hands and feet of Jesus by helping those in our community with yard work, cleaning parks, and other non-intensive service oriented activities.
5. PK-6th will follow the Abeka curriculum structure; Beginning in 7th grade upper level Christian curriculums are introduced such as Bob Jones University, etc. Some state textbooks may be used to meet state approval requirements in the high school grades.
6. By the early response and amazing support we are expecting to have over 100 students to begin the school year for 2021. This alone is nothing short of a miracle in itself. We planned on opening with 65 students enrolled.
7. Class sizes will be capped at 15 per grade if the need arises. We are still under Covid protocols and our new campus will allow for social distancing if we still need such policies beginning the new school year.
8. We have already joined the ACEL, www.theacel.com to play athletics. We plan on launching the school year with Girls Volleyball as well as Boys and Girls Basketball, Cheerleading, and a “Pep Squad” for younger grades to get involved with school spirit.
9. Tuition:
 - a. Our base tuition will start at \$3400 for the entire school year, that can be broken up into 10 monthly payments.
 - b. The \$150 registration fee is due to hold your students' place for the upcoming year. If you have multiple students then Registration is just \$50 more per child and can be added to the same application. (No- Multiple packets per child to fill out)
10. Fees:
 - a. \$400 includes books and educational materials. Students will own their own books (like in a university setting). *Does not include school supplies.
 - b. \$50 FACTS/Admin Fee covers our FACTS system used for Student Information and tuition payments.
 - c. \$100 maintenance fee
 - d. \$50 technology fee.

*The \$600 total in fees for the year will be split between June and July before tuition payments begin so that no family gets hit with lump sum payments due.

Total Payments: Registration Fee due on day of enrollment, \$300 due in June this covers ½ of the fees, the remaining fees of \$300 is due in July, 1st tuition payment of \$340 begins in August and will end in May.

11. Transportation: Jeff Davis Parish buses will run in town and pick up and drop off at our new campus.
12. We will have weekly chapel services, each group will have a day. Monday- High School, Tuesday- Middle School, Wednesday- Elementary students.
13. On other days, not only will students learn the Bible and study the Word of God, but I personally will be teaching John Maxwell Christian Leadership classes to all high schoolers. Christ Bridge Academy will prioritize Christian Leadership Development at the high school level for students.

I am sure there are many more questions, and please feel free to ask them and I will do my best to answer them.

If you are considering Christ Bridge Academy as your new school for your children, take these steps to ensure that God is leading you down this path with us.

1. Pray First- "Seek first the kingdom and all will be given unto you"- Matthew 6:33.
2. Fill out the preliminary registration form that will go live on March 15th.
3. We will schedule an interview via Zoom or face to face if space and a time is available to get together.
4. Share your decision with a friend. We want to fill our school with Christ-loving families and student scholars and we would love to have you as a part of our new Christ Bridge Family. Transitions are smoother for students if they come with friends.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dr. Scott M. Blanchard". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dr. Scott M Blanchard
Christ Bridge Academy Principal