

Cornerstone Academy of Eastside Praise

Philosophy

The God-given ministry of our Christian school is to train our young people for the future through Christian teaching, experiential unit studies, and traditional core academics. We strive to provide our students with an affordable, well-rounded education utilizing a variety of educational approaches in an atmosphere of warmth, safety, respect, and encouragement.

Programs Offered

Half Day Kindergarten 4 Year Old Program

- Students must turn 4 years old by October 1st, 2012

Full Day Kindergarten 5 Year Old Program

- Students must turn 5 years old by October 1st, 2012

Full-Time Elementary, Middle School, and High School Programs

- Grades 1st through 11th (an additional grade will be added each consecutive year through grade 12)
- Students must turn 6 years old by October 1st, 2012 and have successfully completed an Academic Kindergarten Program
- Transfer students will need to provide school records for grade placement. An entrance exam may be given. School references may be requested.

Homeschool Extension Program

- Grades 1st through 8th
- Students must turn 6 years old by October 1st, 2012

Hours of Operation

Kindergarten 4 Year Old Program

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday - Arrival 9:00am
Dismissal 2:45pm

Full-Time Program - Kindergarten 5 Year Old through 11th Grade

Monday-Friday - Arrival 8:50am
Dismissal 3:10pm

Homeschool Extension Program – 1st through 8th Grade

Friday Only- Arrival 10:30am
Dismissal 2:45pm

*“..built on a foundation with Christ Jesus Himself, as the chief Cornerstone.”
Ephestans 2:20*

High School Course of Study (Grades 9th, 10th, & 11th)

*An additional grade will be added each consecutive school year through 12th grade.

Cornerstone has been excited to make the addition of a full-time college preparatory high school program to our organization. This addition has been a natural step in expanding our program to meet the needs of our families, who have come to call Cornerstone home. We strive to provide an affordable option for those wanting to continue their child's education in a positive, Christian atmosphere.

The goal of the program is to focus on "Education through Formation." As the students grow and mature, emphasis will be placed on: Character and Spiritual Formation, Intellectual Formation, Social Formation, and Physical Formation. We strive to assist the students to enter the world as young adults who can communicate well, who can critically think, and who have a strong foundation in both academics and their walk with the Lord.

The Abeka curriculum is coupled with a variety of great teaching resources to exceed the minimum college preparatory graduation requirements necessary. Classes are offered in, but not limited to: Math/Economics, Laboratory Sciences, Computers and Technology, History/Government, English/Grammar/Writing/Literature, Foreign Language, Business, Bible, the Arts, Physical Education, and ACT/SAT Prep. Honors and Advanced Levels of Core Classes are offered.

High School Courses

- **English 9 (One Credit)** - English 9 emphasizes the fundamentals of grammar and writing to develop the students' ability to think analytically and to write clearly and effectively. Spelling, vocabulary, and poetry are interwoven. Classic literature is an important component to this program as it introduces students to stories and people of great character. An Honors Level class is available.
- **English 10 (One Credit)** - English 10 continues to emphasize the fundamentals of grammar and writing. Spelling, vocabulary, and poetry are interwoven. World literature is an important component to this program as it continues to introduce an appreciation of good literature and writing techniques. An Honors Level class is available. (Pre-requisite: English 9)
- **English 11 (One Credit)** - English 11 thoroughly reviews grammar and mechanics, as well as, continues to emphasize the editing and revising stages of the writing process. Spelling and vocabulary are an integral part of this program as students focus on Greek and Latin prefixes, suffixes, and roots. American Literature is an important component introducing short stories, drama, poetry, and essays from some America's great authors, preachers, and Bible Scholars. An Honors Level class is available. (Pre-requisite: English 10)

- **ALGEBRA I (ONE CREDIT)** – Students will use their reasoning ability while working with the axioms, rules, and principles of Algebra. Mathematical concepts are developed and mastered through an abundance of worked examples, student exercises, and word problems. Reviews at the end of each unit measure student progress and special sections challenge the mathematically talented student. An Honors Level class is available.
- **GEOMETRY (ONE CREDIT)** – Students will become acquainted with the fundamental tools of geometry, while stressing the necessity of a formal proof, before going into demonstrative geometry. Mathematical concepts are developed and mastered through an abundance of worked examples and student exercises. Completed proofs help to train the students to think naturally, logically, and systematically. Reviews at the end of each unit measure student progress and special sections challenge the mathematically talented student. Extras include mathematical information on famous buildings, biographical information of great mathematicians, and geometry in the world around us. An Honors Level class is available. (Pre-requisite: Algebra I)
- **ALGEBRA II (ONE CREDIT)** – Students continue to use their reasoning ability while working with axioms, rules, and principals of Algebra II. Mathematical concepts are developed and mastered through an abundance of worked examples, student exercises, and word problems. Reviews at the end of each unit measure student progress and special sections challenge the mathematically talented student. An Honors Level class is available. (Pre-requisite: Algebra I)
- **UNITED STATES HISTORY: HERITAGE OF FREEDOM (ONE CREDIT)** - Our study will help to bring to life events, personalities, and ideas that have shaped America. Emphasis will be placed on America’s Christian past from the discovery of our nation to more recent events in the new millennium.
- **WORLD GEOGRAPHY (ONE CREDIT)** – In our study, we will highlight the different lands and people in Asia, Africa, Europe, Australia, and the Americas. Important geography skills will be reinforced through a variety of map coursework.
- **AMERICAN GOVERNMENT (1/2 CREDIT)** – We will explore the Constitution, federalism, state and local government, and the responsibilities of American citizens in the political system.
- **ECONOMICS (1/2 CREDIT)** – This study emphasizes free enterprise capitalism in a free market economy. Biblical views of work, wealth, and stewardship teach proper economic roles of individual producers, consumers, and government.

- **Science of the Physical Creation (One Credit)** - Dive deep inside the planet to discover the complexity of God’s amazing design, the wonder of His ecological plan, and the vast array of natural resources He has provided. Topics include: the atmosphere and weather, oceanography, earthquakes and volcanoes, rocks and fossils, and geology. A variety of chemistry and physics topics are also included.
- **Biology (One Credit)** - “Since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made...Romans 1:18.” Our Creator laid the perfect framework for studying science through His elaborate design for life. Key scientific concepts will be covered involving botany, zoology, ecology, microbiology, cytology, and human physiology.
- **Chemistry (One Credit)** – We will continue our scientific study of God’s creation by shifting our focus to the intricate precision and design of our world. Emphasis will be placed on the fundamentals of chemistry, molecular models, and a balanced perspective of environment issues. (Pre-requisites: Science of the Physical Creation; Biology)
- **Foreign Language/Spanish I (One Credit)** - Students will work to master the skill to speak, to understand, to read, and to write basic Spanish in most everyday situations. Emphasis will be placed on conversational Spanish and grammar.
- **Foreign Language/Spanish II (One Credit)** - Students will continue the study of this foreign language through additional vocabulary and grammar. (Pre-requisite: Spanish I)
- **Computers and Technology (1/2 Credit)**: Through step by step lessons, and information brought in from across the curriculum, students will utilize our computer lab to become acquainted with the tools and features of various software. “Real world application” is the emphasis as students participate in a wide range of activities using Microsoft Windows, Word, Power Point, Excel, and more. A special emphasis will be placed on mastering important keyboarding skills.
- **Exploring the Arts/History and Appreciation of Visual and Performing Arts (One Credit)** – This course takes a media approach to art while focusing on the elements and principals. Students will learn about various media and techniques, such as drawing, painting, printmaking, and sculpting. The study interweaves lessons on art, art history and appreciation, art criticism, and performing arts and theater.

- **Health and Physical Education (½ Credit)** - P.E./Health is incorporated into a student's educational week to promote physical growth, development, health awareness, and maintenance through activities that develop strength, vigor, vitality, skill, and coordination.
- **ACT Test Preparation (1/2 Credit)** – Important test taking strategies and skills will be covered to assist the students in preparing to take the ACT and/or SAT standardized tests.
- **Applied Finances & the Bible (1 Credit)** – The Lord gave us a framework in which to take care of the resources in which He entrust us. Utilizing Dave Ramsey's well-known approach, students will become acquainted with the Biblical principles regarding personal finances.
- **Bible** - Our students belong to families who participate in worship and Bible training at home and at church. Cornerstone provides a context in which students can delve deeper into the foundation of their faith through character building devotions, prayer, Chapel, and Bible lessons. Each morning, the students will begin their day in God's Word. Utilizing the Faith Weaver Program, we strive to teach the teen how to apply God's word and to live his faith on a daily basis. God's word is an integral part of all of our studies, and is woven in to all academic areas of study throughout the week.
- **DRAMA AND THEATER:** Students train, rehearse, build characters, perform, and learn many aspects of theater in this ultimate form of expression. (For students who are interested, this class will be offered as an after school activity.)

Honors Level Classes

Students will be recommended by an instructor for an Honors Level Class. If a student is not recommended to a particular Honors Level class, a parent may request admission. Admission will be at the discretion of the principal. Admission Criteria: previous academic grades in a particular subject area, class work, attitude, and effort. Honors classes are given a 5 point weight on a 4 point grading scale. Each Honors Level Class will contain a set of assignments that are above and beyond the normal daily class work. Work must be completed independently by the student. To receive proper credit, assignments must be successfully completed and turned in by deadline. A student must receive the equivalent of a "C" or above to receive proper weighted credit for the class.

Individual Class Schedules

A student's class schedule will be assigned according to the necessary graduation requirements needed, the scope and sequence of classes, and course availability each school year.

Enrollment Information

The Full-Time Program at Cornerstone Academy of Eastside Praise is currently open to students in Kindergarten (K4) through the 11th grade who are at least 4 years old as of October 1st, 2012. The Homeschool Extension Program is open to students in 1st through 8th grade who are at least 6 years old as of October 1st, 2012. All students must fill out an application and be accepted in to the program. Acceptance is based on the decision that the child is a suitable candidate for the program in which he or she is registering.

Students will be accepted on a case-by-case basis. It is our desire to reach every student. However, we recognize that some children's educational needs may go beyond the scope of our expertise. Therefore, we cannot accept children with moderate or extreme ADHD/ADD, Dyslexia, or extreme learning or behavior difficulties. Any child who has been asked to leave another school situation for reasons of misbehavior will not be accepted in to our program.

Steps for Enrollment

- 1) Obtain a Registration Packet
- 2) Fill out the forms completely and turn in necessary registration fees
- 3) Interview with the principal if requested
- 4) Full-time students may be asked to complete an entrance exam or to provide school references.

Fee and Payment Schedule

Student Application/Registration/Insurance Fee

Due with the application at the time of enrollment. This fee is non-refundable unless your child is not accepted in to the program.

Book/Material/Supply Fee

Due no later than May 1, 2012 (If you are registering after this date, this fee is due at the time of application.)

Deposit

Due no later than May 1, 2012 (If you are registering after this date, this fee is due at the time of application.) The non-refundable, non-transferable deposit holds your child's place for the school year. It is equal to ½ of one month's tuition for your family and is applied to the family account for May 2013 tuition.

Tuition

Payable in 10 monthly installments August 2012 through May 2013

Send Payments to:

Cornerstone Academy of Eastside Praise
6300 Billtown Rd.
Louisville, KY 40229
Attn: Diann Roberts

*** Please see the Refund Policy and Parent Handbook for additional information.**