

# 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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012

### Full Day Kindergarten 5 Year Old Program

- Students must turn 5 years old by October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012

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

- Grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> (an additional grade will be added each consecutive year through grade 12)
- Students must turn 6 years old by October 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>
- Students must turn 6 years old by October 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

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

### Homeschool Extension Program – 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

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

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

**2012/2013 Homeschool Extension Program**  
**Grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**Fridays 10:30am-2:45pm**

**I Hear ... I Forget**  
**I See ... I Remember**  
**I Do ... I Understand**

As a “Grande Finale” to the school week, home-educated students can participate in a day of specialized classes filled with real life application, as well as, hands-on projects and cooperative group activities. This day is designed for homeschooled families wishing to extend their educational program by providing a rich array of experiential activities in a positive, fun, educational atmosphere. Each class is designed to enrich a family’s homeschool curriculum and to provide the “extras,” which can sometimes be difficult to do at home. (Additional weekly assignments and tests will not be given. Students will receive a certificate of completion at the end of the school year.) Classes are also a wonderful tool for helping to jumpstart a study at home, to give the student a variety of educational approaches, or to provide a child with a special educational supplement to your homeschooling curriculum.

Students attend a day filled with exciting, memorable experiments, activities, and projects which bring learning to life. Friendships are formed with other homeschool families, and parents can take advantage of lots of “extras” at Cornerstone such as Scholastic Book Clubs, Pizza Hut Book It, Field Trips, etc. This partnership between Cornerstone and the homeschooling families allows a child, as well as, a parent to have the “best of both worlds.” Students are able to have a classroom experience while the parent remains in control of the homeschool curriculum throughout the school week.

Each year, Cornerstone offers a Science Unit, a History/Social Studies/Geography Unit, and an Elective. The Elective classes are chosen based on the needs of our homeschooling families and may change from year to year. All classes offered may stand alone as an educational study or can work together with a homeschool science or history study to make a complete unit. A general outline of topics, as well as, curriculum suggestions will be given to families wishing to partner with us to follow along with the teachers. Students will be subdivided in to age appropriate groups to participate in all of the classes that are offered throughout the day.

*Offering the “Best of Both Worlds” to Our Homeschool Families*

## Homeschool Extension Program Course of Study Grades 1-8

- **Einstein's Workshop/Zoology:** Our Creator laid a perfect framework for studying science. Each year, we have been learning more about God's elaborate design for creation. This year, we'll continue our study as we take a more in depth look at the amazing land and water creatures that the Lord has given us. Create your own dinosaur fossils, experiment with "solar critters" as we learn about reptiles, and participate in the animal Olympics. Come and learn more about the world around you and become a young naturalist!  
Curriculum Suggestion: Apologia Exploring God's Creation – Zoology I & II
- **TIME TRAVELERS/AMERICAN HISTORY 1920'S-PRESENT DAY** – Each decade in American History seems to have its own unique set of characteristics. Music, Art, Fashion, Literature, Sports, Politics, Economics, Entertainment, and Technology have all been influenced by the events that have occurred. Travel back in history and experience the "changes through time" and meet the people who helped to shape our nation in to the country it is today. Come and experience history!  
Curriculum Suggestion: All American History Volume II by Celeste W. Rakes. (To make a complete unit of study, the Student Reader, Student Activity Book, and Teacher Guide are recommended. Cornerstone will be continuing our study by covering the time period from 1920's to the Present.)
- **Elective – The Arts (Art, Music, and Drama):** "The Arts" are the universal languages of expression where children can springboard new ideas of their own, and create with their heart, hands, and voices. Celebrate your child's most artistic tool...his imagination! Projects and curriculum will vary.
- **Creative Writing and Study Skills (Upper Grades Only):** Through step by step lessons, and information brought in from across the curriculum, students will become better acquainted with the writing process. Important study skills will also be introduced to help to prepare students for future academics. (Projects and curriculum will vary.)
- **Physical Education (Lower Grades Only):** Students will have the opportunity to release some energy, to have some fun with fellow classmates, and to participate in a variety of group activities to promote physical fitness, growth, skill, and teamwork.
- **Lunch Time:** Students take a break mid-day to enjoy a lunch break with their fellow classmates. A sack lunch, including a drink and all paper goods, is to be provided by the parent. A "Snack Shop" is open for students to purchase special treats and small snacks.

## **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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. The Homeschool Extension Program is open to students in 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade who are at least 6 years old as of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 1/2 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.**

