



Standardized Testing.

Each spring students K-8 take nationally-normed standardized tests. We do not take the Michigan M-step mostly because it is written to state benchmarks (core curriculum) that is not part of our curriculum.

How do we get started?

Parents need to fill out an application and submit it with enrollment fee. After application is made, all students are required to take an entrance/placement test.



Who We Are

Grace Christian School is Saginaw's only non-denominational Christian school. We are a ministry of Grace Baptist Church with a student body that represents several area churches.



Service

Elementary students participate in several Christian service projects throughout the year. Annually we fill boxes for Operation Christmas Child. These boxes are sent all over the world with toys and the gospel.



GRACE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL LOWER ELEMENTARY

*Kindergarten, first, and
second grades*



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Academics

Proven, traditional academic material is important at every grade level. Reading begins early in Kindergarten with consonant/vowel blends. We use an intensive phonics program that teaches students to sound out just about anything! The A Beka curriculum is the foundation for our lower elementary reading and math programs. Students learn to write good sentences and begin to use the writing process. Second graders learn to write in cursive. Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division facts are memorized as foundational to lifelong math learning. Christian Schools International produces our Bible and science curriculums, both of which are hands on with a variety of activities to spark different learning styles. All students have gym class twice a week. Music meets twice a week. Second grade students begin playing the recorder in a once a week recorder class. Piano lessons are offered at an additional expense. An eight-week art program is offered each fall culminating with an art show.

Sports

Beginning in second and third grades, students can begin to play volleyball, basketball and soccer. The youngest players participate in learning skills until they are confident enough to face team competition.



Before and After School Daycare

Students may arrive to school after 7:45 a.m. and be supervised free of charge. Students needing to arrive between 6:30-7:45 a.m. or those needing care between 3:00 and 6:00 p.m. have daycare available for \$10 a session.



Technology

We have a computer lab with flat screen all-in-one HP computers. Teachers are encouraged to use the lab at least once a week.

Bus Transportation

If you live in Saginaw Township, the Saginaw Township Transportation Department will provide bus transportation to and from Grace Christian School. Call 989-797-1840 to make arrangements.

Hot Lunch

Is served three days per week. Drinks are available every day for purchase. Students have a refrigerator and microwave ovens available for their use.

