

Town Creek Christian Academy (TCCA) FAQ

Is TCCA an independent school?

TCCA is a private Christian school and a ministry of Town Creek Baptist Church.

Where is TCCA located?

On the campus of Town Creek Baptist Church, 250 Town Creek Road, Aiken, South Carolina

What is the educational philosophy of Town Creek Christian Academy?

TCCA vision is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by partnering with parents to provide a Christ-centered, academically excellent education. Please see pages 3 through 9 in our [Parent/Student Handbook](#) for our complete philosophy.

Are student required to be members of Town Creek Baptist Church?

Students are not required to be members of Town Creek Baptist Church. We are a private Christian Academy who long to serve like-minded parents and students. Parents and students in grades third grade and up will be required to sign and conform to the TCCA Parent/Student Cooperation agreement found in the back of the [handbook](#).

Will there be a School Board?

Yes, there will be a School Board. The School Board's focus will be to partner with parents for a Christ-centered academically excellent education for their children.

When will the Academy begin?

Tuesday, September 5, 2017.

When will we know if our student has been accepted?

Acceptance will be communicated as soon as we have your completed Admissions packet, including all documentation, and you and your student have been interviewed by the Administration.

What size classes will you have?

Our maximum number of students in a class is 15. When a class is full, applicants will be placed on a waiting list.

What grades will TCCA offer?

TCCA will offer 4K through 12th grade.

Will students have to wear a uniform?

All students will be required to wear an age appropriate school uniform. TCCA school uniforms will be ordered size specific to your student from [DennisUniform.com](#).

Will TCCA prepare meals?

No, students will bring a lunch from home for the first year of school. Occasionally we will have lunch catered by Chick-fil-a, Moe's or some other favorite restaurant.

Will TCCA have athletics and extracurricular activities?

Physical Education will be a regular scheduled class. We are finalizing plans and facilities for athletics. Currently the sports to be offered are: Archery, Bass Fishing, Cross Country, Frisbee Golf, Golf, Soccer, Swimming, Tennis and Track and Field. Additionally, we are pursuing Baseball and Softball options.

Will TCCA have extracurricular activities?

Art, music and driver's education instruction will be electives.

Will TCCA be a secured school?

All guest will have backgrounds checked prior to entering past the Welcome Center. The Academy will be locked during the day. Parents may visit, but will be required to sign-in prior to entry.

Will there be before and after school care?

Yes, refer to our [Student Handbook page 19-20](#) for more information and rates. We will also be offering after school clubs such as FCA, Outdoor Club and more.

Will you do standardized testing? If so, what kind?

Yes. We plan to use the Stanford 10 set of tests which are well recognized and can be administered in each classroom. Our goal for testing is to help teachers evaluate students' progress and help them grow in comprehension and communication.

What curriculum will you be using?

For most classes, we will be using Bob Jones curriculum because of its strong biblical base and academic rigor. As we work on curriculum, we are being careful to design a cohesive approach to Christian philosophy throughout all content areas.

Why do you require the child, parent or grandparent to be a Christian?

TCCA is a uniquely Christ-centered school which is a ministry of Town Creek Baptist Church. TCCA's mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. If that does not fit with the mission or philosophy of students and their families, then the education experience will not be productive.

What version of the Bible will you use?

Bob Jones curriculum will use King James Version. Our Bible classes will also use New American Standard and English Standard Versions. Teachers will have freedom to discuss the scriptures at each child's level of understanding, which may lead them to read verses to younger children from paraphrase versions such as NIV. TCCA's consistent stance will uphold the inerrancy of the Bible in its original language.

Will phonics be taught?

Phonics will be used as the stepping stone to word recognition. From BJU Press, "Clear instructions are provided for a strong beginning to phonemic awareness, phonics, word families, sight words, early reading, and writing."

Is it a requirement that all teachers be certified?

Our primary qualifier for teachers will be two-fold. First, each one must be a committed follower of Jesus Christ, who is in full agreement with the purpose and philosophy of the Academy. Second, teachers must have a proven record of effectively educating students. State certification will not be required of all teachers, but willingness to pursue ACSI certification will be required. State certification is specifically designed to perpetuate public education; ACSI is specifically designed to equip educators in Christian schools.

Will you offer AP classes?

We will not offer AP for 2017-18 school year. However, dual enrollment classes will be available for juniors and seniors who meet the qualifications: 3.5 GPA and 1020 on SAT or PSAT or 21 on ACT.