

Dear Prospective Families,

Thank you for considering Legacy Christian School for your child's education! We are a young and growing K-8 school and are truly excited about what God has been doing since Legacy's inception and to see what this coming school year will hold!

The vision for Legacy was planted in each of our hearts in different ways and at different times. Our administrative team, as well as each of our teachers have their own unique experiences working in Christian and public education, and the Lord in his sovereignty brought each of us together in various remarkable ways. This journey began shortly after Crossroads Church acquired the Auburn South Campus in 2016. God planted in our hearts a desire for a Christian K-8 school on that campus. After much prayer and seeking God's direction and confirmation, our proposal for Legacy was presented to the Crossroads Church leadership. Startup costs were then determined and, in a few months, God overwhelmingly provided the finances required to cover all the initial startup costs. The school's inaugural opening was September 4, 2019, and since that moment, God has continued to show Himself mighty, faithful, and trustworthy! We are truly grateful for His ongoing guidance and provision!

As we continue moving forward, we desire to honor and glorify God by continuing to pursue His plan and vision for the school. Everyone at Legacy has an unwavering commitment to genuinely love your children and care for their needs in a manner and environment that is nurturing, safe and uplifting. Discipleship is an imperative and intentional component of our program and we desire to see Jesus Christ at the center of your child's education. We place a high value on each student's uniqueness before God. Therefore, your children's God-given styles of learning and growth in their walk with the Lord will be in the forefront of their educational experience.

Over the years of our existence, we've seen the staff, volunteers, students and families of Legacy Christian School truly become a family. Our prayer is that as you consider joining our Legacy family you would ask God to clearly show you if Legacy is the best fit for your child. Our desire is to partner with you in your child's education as well as their physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual development. We would love to speak with you personally, show you around, and answer any questions you might have. We are here to serve you.

In His Service

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# 2024-2025 ADMISSION STANDARDS & PROCEDURES

Legacy Christian School is committed to a Biblical philosophy of education which integrates Christian principles and Scriptural truths in all areas of student life. Our commitment is to provide a school atmosphere that is loving, nurturing, and conducive to discipling students and maximizing their learning experiences. We love and value children as gifts from God, and we believe it is important for every student to experience growth and success in every area of their lives while in school. Every step of the application and admissions process has been carefully designed to assist us in providing this type of environment for your children.

#### **General Admission Standards:**

Admission is selective and based upon the following standards:

- 1. A family's agreement and support for Legacy teaching their children according to the biblical values and Statement of Faith we adhere to and model, regardless of whether they are in full agreement with them or not.
- 2. A student's academic and behavioral standing is satisfactory based on report cards, standardized tests, and any other relevant information.
- 3. Students with diagnosed special needs will be considered on a case by case basis.

#### Kindergarten Admission Standards:

At Legacy, we offer only a full-day kindergarten program. Pease see the Full-Day Kindergarten document included in this packet for more information. <u>The age guideline we adhere to is that a child's 5<sup>th</sup> birthday must fall on or before September 1 of the year they are entering kindergarten. While your child may meet the age requirements, we also believe the developmental readiness of a prospective kindergartner may be more relevant than their chronological age. In some cases, a child that meets the age requirements may need some additional preparation for kindergarten readiness. Therefore, if there are any doubts or concerns regarding a child's developmental readiness for kindergarten, a decision may be made by the School Administration Team to administer a brief readiness assessment. This will take place here at school in a comfortable and low-key</u>



environment, and someone from the school office will contact you to schedule this prior to finalizing admissions.

#### Immunization Requirements:



If admitted to Legacy Christian School, the school office will ask for copies of your child's immunization records. Should you have any additional questions or concerns regarding that, please contact a member of the school administrative team and they would be glad to assist you.

#### Non-Discriminatory Statement:

Legacy Christian School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, financial aid program, athletic and other school-administered

programs. We do reserve the right to select students on the basis of commitment to Biblical truth, academic performance, lifestyle choices, and personal qualifications including willingness to cooperate with the school administration and abide by its policies.



- 1. Admissions Documents: Complete one Enrollment Application per family along with the documents below. Applications may be submitted beginning February 12, 2024.
  - Statement of Faith: Read and sign one per family
  - Parental Commitments: Read and sign one per family
  - Parent Questionnaire: Fill out and sign one per family
  - Most recent report card and standardized tests for each applicant
- Application Fee: Submit the above forms with a non-refundable \$25 Application Fee. (One per family).
- 3. Parent Interview: Once the application materials have been received, the school office will contact you by phone or email for an interview appointment with **both** parents or guardians (if applicable). This is the final step in the application process and will not be granted until all materials requested above are received and signed. If no space is available in vour child's class, students will be entered in a student candidate pool for consideration when spaces become available.

The interview is with the School Administrative Team and will last about 30 minutes. All prospective students are required to attend. You may want to make child-care arrangements for any other children, if possible, so that you can fully benefit from our time together. However, if you are unable to do so, feel free to bring them with you.

4. Registration Process and Fee: Once the interview has been completed, you will be contacted within three days to communicate if your child has been accepted. If accepted, the school will email you the additional information needed to register your student. The registration fees are per student and must be paid at this time in order to hold a place in your child's class. Once the registration process has been completed and the fees paid, your student will be placed on the official class list and is guaranteed placement. The registration fees are as follows:

Regular Registration Fee: \$300 per student and non-refundable

Early Registration Fee: \$250 per student and non-refundable if application is submitted by April 15, 2023

#### Tuition:

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#### Please contact us if you have any questions.

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# WHY CHOOSE LEGACY?

#### 1. You and your children become part of our Legacy family!

- We genuinely love, nurture, and encourage your children.
- We believe in ministering to the needs of your family not just
- those of our students.
- We pray for students and their families daily by name.
- Students of different ages interact together on a daily basis as in a family.
- We purpose to provide effective and consistent communication.

#### 2. Discipleship is an intentional part of our daily connections with your child.

- It is a lifestyle focus rather than merely an academic goal.
- We value and nurture your children as the unique and special creations of God that they are.
- We emphasize and model our need to depend on the empowering of the Holy Spirit to accomplish the daily tasks before us.
- Our staff model Christlikeness through our actions and words and encourage students to do the same.
- We lovingly, yet firmly, communicate and reinforce realistic attitude and behavioral expectations.
- Daily Bible study and chapels focus on the age-appropriate application of God's Word.
- We teach and emphasize implementation of the fruit of the Spirit and Christlike character in everyday life.

#### 3. How students learn best inform and guide how our teachers engage with and teach them.



- Our commitment is to understand how students learn best and create an environment in which they thrive.
- We utilize hands-on, multisensory curriculum that is challenging, yet engaging and effective.
- Our "Enrichment Fridays," which conclude at noon for the day, are structured to include chapels, extended arts and science projects, academic review, reteaching, enrichment, field trips, special guests, etc.

#### 4. We purpose to be family-friendly and value family time away from school.

- We have intentionally structured our school day and week to be highly productive and accomplish what is academically necessary, and we do this in a shorter amount of time than what is typical.
- Our daily schedule is structured to maximize student learning: Mon-Thurs 8:30-2:30, with a strong academic focus, and Fri 8:30-12:00 as a flexible day used in any number of ways.
- We are able to provide a shorter school year without compromising our academic standards.
- "Homework" is limited so that it is brief, purposeful, and age-appropriate.
- We offer Before School Care Mon-Fri and After-School Care Mon-Thurs.

### What are our Parents and Students saying about Legacy?

Turn over to find out more!



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"Thank you so much! Our kids had a great first day. They loved it! Thank you for pouring into our kids truth, joy, beauty, and goodness."

- Parents of 2nd and 4th graders



"We are so grateful our daughter is in your class! We're excited to be a part of the Legacy family." -Parents of a kindergartner



"The teachers and environment here are so amazing! People have no idea what they are missing!"

- 3rd/6th grade parents

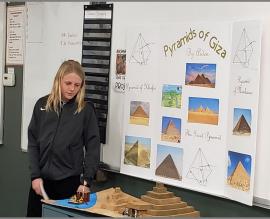


"I feel like I can take a deep breath knowing that my child is in a safe place!"

Legacy parents



"Love, love, love this school!" - Parents 3rd grader



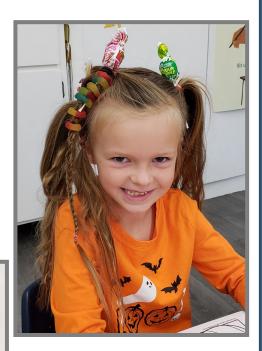
"I am so happy my daughter is in your class. She is so excited to get to school each morning. We're glad she is in a wonderful place where she is safe and loved!"

- Mother of 1st grader



"Thank you so much for all the time and love poured into this class."

- 4th/5th grade parents



"We sure appreciate the investment you've made in our child's life."

- Parent of 3rd grader

# MORE ABOUT LEGACY



#### Who are we?

Legacy Christian School is:

- An evangelical, financially independent, K-8 Christian school in Auburn serving families from Auburn and surrounding communities.
- A ministry of Crossroads Church as an extension of the children's ministry.
- A non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation and financially independent from Crossroads Church.

#### What is our vision and mission?

Our vision is for every student to reach their God-given potential in every area of their lives.

Our mission is:

- 1. To provide a loving and biblically-based educational experience with a Christian worldview, maximizing every student's God-given ability to learn.
- 2. To love and disciple them so that they become the individual God had in mind He created them.

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#### What are our core beliefs?

- 1. Students are more than just "students." They are your children, loved and valued by Jesus. As such, they are to be loved and valued by us as well. This is central to everything we do.
- 2. The home, church and the school should complement each other: promoting your child's spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social and physical growth.
- 3. Parents have a God-given responsibility for the education of their child. Our staff shares this responsibility as "*in loco parentis*" when you enroll your child at Legacy.
- 4. The discipleship of your child is an intentional commitment to living, modeling, and applying God's Word for them on a daily basis rather than just an academic pursuit of biblical knowledge.
- 5. The education of students at Legacy must be consistent with the Word of God.
- 6. Children thrive and learn best in an environment where they feel safe, valued, and are unconditionally loved; our priority is to provide such an environment.
- 7. God has given differing abilities and styles of learning to every child. Therefore, learning should not only include a variety of multi-sensory and engaging activities, but be active, fun and challenge students appropriately based on their abilities.
- 8. Students at all grade levels must go beyond just acquiring knowledge and reciting facts. They must be challenged to think reasonably, critically, and creatively.

- 9. Children should be engaged in intensive learning while at school. Therefore, the time spent doing homework should be reasonable and primarily for review and reinforcement, age-appropriate, and purposeful
- 10. As we grow, providing enrichment opportunities in academics, the arts and sports will play an increasing role in your child's education.
- 11. Our teachers must be well-trained and gifted by God to teach, nurture, and disciple their students spiritually, intellectually, emotionally, socially and physically.
- 12. All those ministering at Legacy Christian School need to be transformed by the renewing work of Jesus Christ in their lives rather than conformed to the world and its values. They must recognize their responsibility to exemplify a Christian lifestyle to our students and their parents in our society.

#### What does a typical school day/week at Legacy look like?

Each day, at every grade level, our students begin their day by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, Pledge to the Christian Flag, and Pledge to the Bible. The start of their day is rooted in praise and prayer. At some point in every day, students spend time in their Bible curriculum. Lessons focus on the application of God's Word to their lives at their age level. Much of the core academic learning in English Language Arts and Math takes place in the morning hours with a recess to break it up. After lunch and recess, students dig into either Social Studies or Science as well as writing, Literature, read-aloud activities or silent reading, depending on the grade level. There is also scheduled afternoon recess and PE time that rotates every other day. Most classes end the day with activities such as group work, independent seat work, enrichment activities, free choice, clean-up and preparing to go home.

Monday through Thursday, our students are engaged in focused learning activities while at school so that any additional "homework" that does go home is minimal and grade-level appropriate. We strongly value the importance of reading so "homework" for your child in grades K-2 will include reading on a daily basis and reinforcement of foundational math and phonics skills being learned in class. At times, they will be asked to review or reinforce concepts learned, such as math facts as an example. Typically, homework for grades 3-8 includes practicing memory verses and spelling words for the week, and any unfinished assignments and the reinforcement of concepts learned and math facts. In grades 3 and up there will also be extended reports/projects to be worked on at home. Chapels, when held, are generally held are 20-30 minutes in length and are split into appropriate grade groupings. They incorporate fun, multi-sensory and engaging presentations of topics that focus on the fruit of the Spirit and Christ-like character traits. Our goal is for students to leave with a clear understanding of how to be more like Jesus in their everyday lives.

Fridays are minimum days ending at 12:00, and are generally referred to as Enrichment Fridays. Fridays also provide teachers with the opportunity to meet the needs of their class with re-teaching, enrichment, or extended hands-on projects in science or art. At times special guests are brought in for enrichment or



tunities.

As much as possible, field trips are generally taken on Fridays. Every Friday teachers send home a student folder with completed work, as well as class and office newsletters that re-cap the week's activities as well as those coming up the following week.

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## TUITION & FEE SCHEDULE 2024-2025



#### Fees:

- 1. Application Fee: \$25 per family due with Enrollment Application (a non-refundable, one-time fee)
- 2. Registration Fees: Due at the time of registration and non-refundable
  - Re-registration Fee for returning students: \$200 per student
  - Early Registration Fee for new students if application received by April 15: \$250 per student
  - Regular Registration for new students if application received after April 15: \$300 per student

#### All fees are due in full at the time stipulated and are non-refundable.

### **Annual Tuition**

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If tuition is not paid in full, a monthly payment plan may be selected. <u>Monthly tuition is payable in full on</u> <u>the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month in which tuition is due and is considered delinquent if not paid by the 10th.</u> If the 1<sup>st</sup> or the 10<sup>th</sup> falls on a weekend or school holiday then it is payable in full on that Monday or the first day after the holiday that the school office is open, <u>regardless of whether school is in session</u>. <u>Payment options</u> <u>include</u>: Zelle, Bill Pay through your bank, check, money order, cashier's check, and cash. If paying by Zelle, use the name Legacy Christian School, and the email associated with the account, which is <u>greg@legacyschoolauburn.com</u>. If paying by Bill Pay, please use the following address: 202 Dairy Rd, Auburn, CA 95603. Please note in the memo what the payment is for regardless of your method of payment.

#### **Tuition Cost and Payment Options**

<u>K - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Tuition</u>: \$5,800 \*Tuition is prorated if enrolling after school begins-contact office for details

- 12 Month Payment Plan: \$483 monthly from July-June
- 11 Month Payment Plan: \$527 monthly-Option 1: July-May or Option 2: August-June
- 10 Month Payment Plan: \$580 monthly-Option 1: August-May or Option 2: Sept-June
- 9 Month Payment Plan: \$644 monthly-Sept-May (\*\*Only available if enrolling mid-late August)

Please keep in mind as you budget for your monthly tuition payments that next year's re-registration fees are also due when you re-register your child for the following school year, which is generally in February. If necessary, alternate arrangements can be made for these fees at that time. However, all tuition for this year and all re-registration fees for next year must be paid in full by the end of May.

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# Legacy Christian School Calendar for 2024-2025 (More events may be scheduled at a later date)

August	21 26	Ice Cream Social & Open House 5:30p.m. – 7:00p.m. 1 <sup>st</sup> Day of School
September	2 4	<b>No School</b> - Labor Day Back to School Night – 6:00p.m. – 7:30p.m.
October	11	No School - Teacher In-service
November	11 15 21 22 25-29	No School - Veteran's Day End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Trimester Minimum Day - 12:00 Dismissal; Parent/Teacher Conferences No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences No School -Thanksgiving Vacation
December	19 20-Jan 3	Minimum Day – 12:00 Dismissal; Christmas Program begins at 6:00p.m. No School - Christmas Vacation
January	6 20	School Resumes <b>No School</b> - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
February	14 17	<b>No School –</b> Teacher In-service <b>No School</b> - President's Day
March	14 20 21	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester Minimum Day - 12:00 Dismissal; Parent/Teacher Conferences No School - Parent-Teacher Conferences
April	10 11 14-21	Minimum Day - 12:00 Dismissal; Open House 5:30p.m. – 7:00p.m. No School - Teacher In-service No School - Easter Vacation
Мау	26	No School - Memorial Day
June	6	Last Day of School

# LEGACY'S COMMITMENT TO YOU

We value the trust you have placed in us for the education of your children and take that responsibility very seriously. Education is a partnership, and as such we commit to:

- 1. Fulfill our vision, mission, purpose and philosophy to the best of our ability, serving wholeheartedly, as though we are serving the Lord, not men (Ephesians 6:7).
- Genuinely love your children with the love of Jesus, caring for their needs in a positive, nurturing, safe and encouraging manner and environment, through the power of the Holy Spirit (Mark 10:14-16; Zechariah 4:6).
- 3. Model a godly attitude and lifestyle for your children, with the help and grace of God, encouraging them to follow Christ's example (I Corinthians 10:31-11:1).
- 4. Prayerfully ask God's guidance in selecting loving, qualified teachers.
- 5. Partner together with you in the growth, development and discipleship of your children.
- 6. Provide an excellent and well-balanced education for your children, helping them maximize their success and experience fulfillment in the process.
- 7. Clarify to all students, as consistently as possible, what we expect of them without prejudice or favoritism.
- 8. Lovingly commend, counsel, and correct as appropriate and necessary.
- 9. Communicate with you regularly concerning the accomplishments, needs and concerns of your children.
- 10. Listen to your cares, concerns and questions in a genuine, loving and caring manner diligently working to address these successfully without compromising our vision, mission, purpose or philosophy.
- 11. Work hard to make the overall experience of your children at Legacy Christian School challenging, fulfilling, safe, and enjoyable.

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#### What curriculum does Legacy Christian School use?

Our curriculum is primarily faith-based and where it is not, care has been taken to ensure that nothing is taught that is in opposition to our Statement of Faith. We have focused on selecting curriculum that will provide our teachers with the most assistance possible in providing multiple options for differentiated instruction and learning readiness. We've also committed to finding student materials that are engaging and interesting. The Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), Bob Jones University Press (BJU), Summit Ministries, Big Ideas Math, Institute for Excellence in Writing, Mystery Science, Mosa Mack Science, and Fundations are the primary companies we are using for our curriculum. A full list, per grade level, can be found on our website under the "Academics" tab.

#### What is the dress code?

Students are not required to wear uniforms at Legacy Christian School. Our general guidelines reflect the overriding principles of modesty, school-appropriateness, cleanliness, moderation and safety. A specific dress code is described in our Parent/Student Handbook, which can be found on the school's website under the "Resources" tab.

#### Do you have a policy related to technology/cell phone use?

While personal cell phones/smart watches are allowed on campus with parent permission, it is not advised, and there are strict guidelines regarding their use. No other personal electronic devices (i.e., iPads, tablets, games, laptops, etc.) may be brought to school without prior teacher permission for specific class-related projects. More information can be found in the Parent-Student Handbook.

#### What about school security and safety?

Our student's safety and security are of the utmost importance. All visitors are required to check in at the school office. A security camera system is installed with viewing monitors in the school office. Evacuation and emergency protocols are in place and practiced. School personnel are trained and certified in first aid and CPR. More information can be found in the Parent-Student Handbook.

#### Do you have a website?

Yes, the website address is https://legacyschoolauburn.com

#### Do we hold Chapel?

Our commitment is for chapels to be engaging and provide age-appropriate experiences centered on the personal application of God's Word. We want students to look forward to chapels so we are focused on providing a variety of different styles of chapels by individuals who will excite and challenge our students. Generally, chapels are twice a month. However, we will only schedule chapels as we are able to secure qualified individuals to lead chapels with this criterion in mind. Every class does have a scheduled time daily for Bible lessons and prayer.

#### What do Enrichment Friday's look like?

Every Friday that school is in session is dismissed at noon, and is structured differently than the other days of the week. Typically, the morning is comprised of some academic instruction, usually in math and language arts, various tests and quizzes, Bible, as well as a time of "enrichment". The goal for the "enrichment" portion is for teachers to provide a variety of fun, engaging, challenging, and organized activities that are either an extension of an academic topic, or instruction and enrichment in some form of the arts or music. Teachers also have the option to provide intentional, individualized and small group student assistance as needed.

As opportunities arise, teachers are encouraged to invite outside guests who are qualified and gifted to either speak to their class about a particular career or ministry they are involved in, or instruct their class on a variety of topics such as a foreign language, an area of the arts, specific crafts, etc. Field trips are also planned on Fridays as much as possible. Parent-Teacher conferences and teacher professional development days are scheduled in advance on appropriate Fridays when school is not in session. All of this allows for a more in-depth and intentional academic focus Monday through Thursday.

#### Can parents/guardians volunteer?

While parents are not required to volunteer, we both value and need their involvement. There will be a number of opportunities to become involved such as assisting with the lunch program, on the playground, in the office, some classroom assistance, etc.

#### Are there lunch options available on campus?

We currently offer a variety of lunch options twice a week. Predetermined menus from local fast-food restaurants are made available with advanced orders submitted to the school office. Parents are responsible for this cost.

#### Do you offer transportation?

Legacy Christian School does not have bus service available. All transportation to and from school is the responsibility of parents.

#### What are school hours?

School hours are Monday through Thursday from 8:30-2:30 and Fridays from 8:30-12:00. School generally begins the last week of August and ends the first or second week in June.



#### Where is the school office?

The school office is located in the classroom quad area on the Dairy Road side of the facility. School office hours are Mon-Thurs from 8:00-3:30 and Fri from 8:00-12:30. Summer office hours may vary but are generally from 9:00-3:00.

#### Can we schedule a tour of the campus?

Yes, we're happy to schedule a tour of our campus. Please call the school office to look at scheduling options. If you would like to meet and speak with a teacher, we recommend scheduling appointments as close to 3:00 as possible while teachers are still on campus. We are happy to do whatever we can to assist you in your decision-making process.