

CHRISTIAN  
EDUCATION

*THAT  
ENRICHES  
AND  
PREPARES*



EASTERN CHRISTIAN  
SCHOOL

A PARENT INFORMATION  
PACKET FOR EASTERN  
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL  
PRESCHOOL - GRADE 12

*Where faith and academic excellence intersect*

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# WHILE RESEARCHING AND CONSIDERING SCHOOLS, WHAT CHARACTERISTICS ARE MOST IMPORTANT TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY?

MORE INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION?

AN ENVIRONMENT THAT INSTILLS CHRISTIAN VALUES?

A CURRICULUM THAT IS TAUGHT FROM A BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW?

ACADEMIC RIGOR?

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT?

EXTENSIVE EXTRACURRICULARS?

COLLEGE READINESS AND GUIDANCE?

Whatever the reason you're considering private Christian education for your child, we're glad you're here. Eastern Christian School offers an educational experience you won't find anywhere else in Bergen and Passaic Counties. Our school community is uniquely ...

**ENGAGING** Students gain a strong understanding of subject matter through hands-on activities, individual and small group projects, and experiential learning.

**NURTURING** From preschool through high school, Eastern Christian School students are known, loved, seen, and valued.

**TRANSFORMING** We cultivate self-confidence through mentorship, leadership opportunities, and a strong Christian influence.



## *THE RESULT? Eastern Christian School Students Are ...*

**PREPARED** With 37 college credits available, internship opportunities, and personalized college and career prep, graduates are ready for what's next.

**CONFIDENT** Through 60+ electives, 30+ sports teams, and 20+ clubs, students discover new talents and passions, and learn to stretch their comfort zones.

**CAPABLE** Through a Christian worldview, students develop unshakeable integrity and strong character.



## ONE SCHOOL. THREE CAMPUSES.

Preschool and elementary (PK-2), upper elementary and middle school (3-8), and high school (9-12). Our three campuses are intentionally designed to give students the freedom and confidence that comes with learning and growing with their peers while also belonging to a larger family — the Eastern Christian community.

## DON'T TAKE OUR WORD FOR IT. COME SEE!

The best way to find out if a school is the best fit for your family is to come for a tour. We encourage you to **schedule a visit** and experience Eastern Christian School firsthand.



# A PERSONALIZED APPROACH TO *play-based learning.*

Children mature at their own pace — physically, socially, emotionally, intellectually, and spiritually. Instructional methods are tailored to each student's needs, ensuring they're not just memorizing material, but also making important connections across subjects.

## ► YOUR PRESCHOOLER WILL BE KNOWN HERE.

Prior to your little learner's first day, you'll meet with their teacher for a listening conference. You'll meet again throughout the year to ensure everyone's on the same page regarding your child's progress.

## ► LEARNING WILL BE FUN, ENGAGING, AND MULTI-PURPOSEFUL.

Our experienced educators design multi-sensory experiences to help your child better understand material, foster their creativity, and practice fundamental skills such as cutting and holding a pencil, preparing them for kindergarten.

## ► FLEXIBLE SCHEDULES PROVIDE OPTIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES.

Whether you're looking for a couple of days or a full week, half-days or full-days, we can accommodate your needs. You can select a schedule that encourages your child's growth through a healthy, appropriate routine.

## AVAILABLE PRE-SCHOOL CLASSES

**Pre-K3** • 2 Years old by April 1

**Pre-K4** • 3 Years old by April 1

**Transitional Kindergarten** • 4 Years old by April 1

Keep up-to-date with class  
schedules and availability



DISCOVER WHY WE KEEP OUR PRESCHOOL PLAY-BASED AND  
CHRIST-CENTERED.



**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** / K - Grade 2  
**UPPER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** / Grades 3 - 5

# BUILDING ON THE ESSENTIALS — *academics, social skills, and spiritual development.*

These years set the stage for future learning and initiative.

## ► KNOWLEDGE

We emphasize the Lord's sovereignty over all creation by integrating a Christian worldview in core subjects — Bible, math, reading, science, social studies, and writing. Enrichment classes in art, library, STEAM, music, and P.E. ensure learners are well-rounded.

## ► PROFICIENCY

Recognizing each child has unique God-given gifts and talents, we accommodate different learning styles in order to maximize student potential. Our Horizons Program is for learners with demonstrated gifts and talents, and our Educational Support Services provide support for students who learn differently or need extra academic reinforcement.

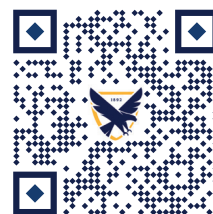
## ► CONFIDENCE

Our elementary students are known and loved by our dedicated faculty. Through our small class sizes, hands-on learning, and intentional activities, students learn collaboration, resourcefulness, self-advocacy, and resilience.

## ► CHARACTER

Through service opportunities, teachers who model Christian values, Bible class, and weekly chapel, students are inspired to serve others and equipped to live out God's word.

*LEARN HOW STUDENTS THRIVE IN A NURTURING  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT.*





# A CHRIST-CENTERED ENVIRONMENT *for continued learning and growth.*

Middle school can be a challenging time for students as they navigate physical and emotional changes. These years are when support and mentorship are critical. Our middle school campus is intentionally

designed to be an environment where elementary students are easily able to transition into middle school, already familiar with their surroundings, friends, and teachers.

## ► EXCELLING ACADEMICALLY

Our middle school curriculum incorporates several core subjects — language arts, math, science, social studies, Bible, and history — and integrates critical elements of Biblical study, technology, health and wellness, and fine arts for a versatile, rigorous course of study. The Education Support Services (TESS) provides access to students we recognize as diverse learners. Our Horizons program offers extended learning that meets the learning needs of our students, especially those who display strength in academics.

## ► PURSUING PASSIONS AND INTERESTS

A variety of after school clubs gives students room to explore their interests and cultivate new skills, including STEAM, coding, lego engineering, and baking.

## ► PRIORITIZING PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Leadership skills are developed through athletics, yearbook, small groups, MAD (Make a Difference), the visual and performing arts, and chapel leadership team, all continuing throughout high school. Service opportunities, weekly chapel, and Bible classes help middle schoolers solidify their faith.

## ► EMPHASIZING COMMUNITY

Students find friends and mentors throughout the Eastern Christian community, including through team sports, Advisory Program, and annual events, such as robot fight night, homecoming, winter carnival, and hands dirty day. In addition, we foster intentional community-building field trips to Spruce Lake, Shiloh Retreat Center, and more.



***DID YOU KNOW OUR ADVISORY PROGRAM HELPS MIDDLE SCHOOLERS WITH GOAL SETTING — PERSONAL AND ACADEMIC — AND MENTORS THEM THROUGH ACHIEVING THOSE GOALS?***





# STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE

*while preparing for what's next.*

These are the years of big decisions and important plans as your teen is about to be a lot more independent. You'd like to see them graduate high school confident in their abilities, strong in their faith, and ready for whatever God has planned.

## ► A COLLEGE-PREPARATORY, CHRIST-CENTERED CURRICULUM

High schoolers can take courses at an appropriate level, including advanced courses and opportunities to earn college credits. Through Project Acceleration, students can take classes offering up to 37 college credits while enrolled in high school.

## ► AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE CAREERS FIRST-HAND

Students interested in exploring a specific career can participate in our WINGS work internship program. Students have recently completed internships in fields such as law, healthcare, aviation, computer science, Christian ministry, engineering and more!

### *THE EDUCATION SUPPORT SERVICES (TESS)*

Provides academic support to students we recognize as diverse learners — this program is designed to help students sharpen study skills, practice self advocacy, and grow in specific academic subject areas.

## ► PERSONALIZED ACADEMIC AND COLLEGE COUNSELING

Before setting foot on campus, Eastern Christian high schoolers work closely with an academic and college counselor who guides them throughout their academic progression and postsecondary transition. Highly individualized support empowers teens to make informed decisions regarding courses, academic concentrations, extracurriculars, and various postsecondary options that align with their unique gifts and aspirations.

## ► EXTRACURRICULARS THAT EMBOLDEN

Student clubs and organizations give students the chance to explore the things that matter most to them, including art club, debate club, anchored bible study, and international student leadership, ambassadors, and 30+ more groups and clubs. Student-athletes can choose from 20+ teams across 12+ sports.

*DID YOU KNOW EASTERN CHRISTIAN IS RATED AMONG THE TOP 50 CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE UNITED STATES?*





# IS EASTERN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL *Right for Your Family?*

From the time your little one toddles into preschool until they cross the stage to receive their high school diploma, Eastern Christian School provides families with continuity, consistency, and a quality Christian education.



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- SAMANTHA, CLASS OF 2023

**"FOR EVERYONE WHO VALUES A CHRIST-CENTERED EDUCATION FOR THEIR CHILDREN, EC IS A GOOD PLACE FOR YOU. HERE YOU GET TO PARTNER WITH THE SCHOOL IN RAISING A GENERATION OF CHILDREN WHO ARE BOLD IN DECLARING THEIR FAITH AND LIVING GODLY LIVES."**

- ERIC AND STELLA OSAE TWUM



*By the time your child has graduated from Eastern Christian School, they will be equipped to:*

- ▶ Think critically, communicate with confidence, be curious, and strive for excellence in every endeavor
- ▶ Recognize and respond to the will of God, see in humanity the image of God, embrace diversity, exhibit compassion, offer respect, and be forgiving and open to others
- ▶ Serve others through leadership and discipleship, sharing their gifts, talents, and beliefs, contributing cooperatively and responsibly to God's mission of renewing all creation

## RECENT COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES INCLUDE ...

American University  
Baylor University  
Berklee College of Music  
Boston College  
Clemson University  
Colgate University  
Cornell University

Liberty University  
New York University  
Pennsylvania State University  
Pepperdine University  
Rutgers University  
School of Visual Arts  
Syracuse University

University of California-Berkeley  
(College of Engineering)  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
University of Pennsylvania  
Wake Forest University  
Yale University



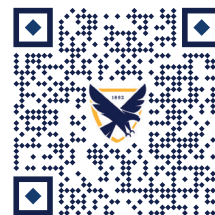
**SCAN HERE TO SEE ADDITIONAL RECENT COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES**



# *Experience* EASTERN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

*We can't wait to meet you.*

When choosing a school for your child, nothing compares to walking the campus and previewing the classrooms. A tour of Eastern Christian will give you the best sense of what we have to offer and connect you with someone who can answer your specific questions. **Schedule your tour or a call with our admissions team.**



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EASTERN CHRISTIAN  
SCHOOL

## **PRESCHOOL & ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (K-2)**

25 Baldin Drive | Midland Park

## **UPPER ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOL (3-8)**

518 Sicomac Avenue | Wyckoff

## **HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)**

50 Oakwood Avenue | North Haledon

## **SCHOOL DAY HOURS:**

### **Preschool:**

8:30 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

### **Midland Park Campus:**

8:20 a.m. - 3 p.m.

### **Wyckoff Campus:**

8:15 a.m. - 3 p.m.

### **North Haledon Campus:**

8:10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**BEFORE SCHOOL CARE** begins at  
7:00 a.m. for PreK-8th grade

**CLUBS** are offered from the end  
of school - 4:15 p.m.\*

**AFTER SCHOOL CARE** is available  
until 6:00 p.m.

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*\*Clubs extend to 4:30 on the Wyckoff campus*