# JOHNSON FERRY 

CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

## JFCA ADMISSIONS POLICY

Johnson Ferry Christian Academy admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities accorded or made available to JFCA students. Johnson Ferry Christian Academy does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic or other school-administered programs. We do, however, reserve the right to deny admission to any individual who cannot benefit from enrollment based on past academic achievement, disqualifying handicap, or whose personal or family lifestyle is not in harmony with the stated philosophy of Johnson Ferry Christian Academy. At least one parent of each family must have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and be able to affirm JFCA's Statement of Faith.

Each year the Director of Admissions supervises the application process. Admissions decisions are based upon the Johnson Ferry Administrative Staff and the requirements outlined below.

## A. GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

At Johnson Ferry Christian Academy, our Christian faith is the foundation of who we are, what we do, and why we do it. We are dedicated to the mission of evangelism and committed to teaching and representing the good news of Jesus Christ to our JFCA families and students. It is our expectation that our families demonstrate a strong testimony and commitment to a growing relationship with Jesus Christ. We encourage all parents and children to grow in a relationship with Jesus Christ.

The JFCA family is a vibrant and diverse group from multiple backgrounds and church denominations. Our core theological convictions, based on established Christian tenets, are woven through all aspects of participation at JFCA to provide unity in the midst of our diversity. Families should understand that JFCA will present Christianity as outlined in our Statement of Faith. Please read this statement carefully. At least one parent must affirm the JFCA Statement of Faith, and both parents must acknowledge the standard of instruction at JFCA through the online admissions process. It is also understood that all instruction is taught from a Christian worldview, based on the Bible, our Statement of Faith, and the philosophy and objectives of JFCA.

In addition to the above requirements, a student's acceptance at any grade level is contingent upon the student's ability measured by a standardized testing program, by the interview data, academic record, and references. It is also contingent upon the student's willingness to comply with our Code of Conduct.

No student shall be admitted who:

- has emotional or disciplinary problems that cannot be met by JFCA,
- has a court record or a reputation that is ungodly, or
- has a physical handicap or learning disability for which our program is not staffed,
- cannot or will not abide by the conduct expectations for all students, or who willingly seeks to undermine our religious beliefs.

Families seeking admission to JFCA must meet the following standards:

- The parent(s) or guardian(s) must have legal custody of the child(ren) and they must reside in the household for the majority of the time.
- At least one parent must accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and affirm our Statement of Faith.
- The family must have at least one parent or guardian residing in the household. If there are two parents residing in the household, they must be a legally married man and woman. This is based upon the Biblical standards of marriage based on Romans 7:2-3, Matthew 19:5-6, and Ephesians 5:22-33.
- Married individuals or individuals who have been previously married will not be admitted as students. Unwed parents will not be admitted as students.


## B. ELEMENTARY - Grades K-6

To be admitted, a student must present evidence of readiness, including the satisfactory completion of work for the grade previous to that for which he/she is making application. Applicants for kindergarten must be five (5) years of age and applicants for first grade must be six (6) years of age on or before September 1 of the school year.

Students must show at least average performance as indicated by a standardized testing program. Students must have passed the most recent grade level prior to application.

## C. MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL - Grades 7-12

To be admitted, a student must present evidence of competency in language arts and mathematics skills for the academic level to which the student is to be enrolled.

For admittance to grades seven and eight, a student must have successfully passed the previous grade and take a math placement exam.

For grade nine admittance, a student must have successfully completed all requirements for promotion from grade eight to high school. Additionally, if the student has not completed Algebra I with a passing grade, they must take a math placement exam.

For admittance to grades ten, eleven, or twelve, a student must have successfully earned the required number of credits to be classified as a sophomore, junior, or senior. Student's entering JFCA as seniors must have a minimum 3.0 GPA.

All students seeking admission for grades 7-12 must submit a completed application and have an interview with an administrator.
D. For Grades 1-12

To be admitted, students must submit an academic reference from current teachers (preferably in the core subjects of English and Math); a spiritual reference (i.e., pastor, children's/youth director, or small group leader) and a confidential reference (i.e., family friend, former principal or school counselor, coach, or another adult who is not a relative and who knows the student well). The forms must sent electronically through the application process.

