



# The Calvary

A C A D E M Y

Childcare  
PreSchool  
Kindergarten  
Elementary  
Secondary

Loving.  
Learning.  
Living.  
Leading.



# The Calvary ACADEMY

## History

Since 1979 The Calvary Academy has blessed our community with a quality education and a caring ministry to children and young people. This vision was brought to pass by Norman and Mary Alice Paslay, the founders of The Calvary Church.

## TCA Mission

The Calvary Academy, as a ministry of The Calvary Church, is committed to offering Christ-centered academics in a relation-based, structured environment. We are dedicated to developing the whole student by building their hearts and minds in preparation for a life-long pursuit of loving, learning, living and leading.

## TCA Vision

The Calvary Academy embraces the privilege of preparing students to engage in a life-long purposeful journey of utilizing their God given gifts. It is the goal of TCA to prepare students for personal, academic, and spiritual success. As a basis for developing the whole student, our staff will impart a Biblical worldview through the use of college-preparatory curriculum and current technologies. We will establish a community presence and be a resource for all families.



**Love** God & Others



**Learn** with Excellence



**Live** with Character



**Lead** with Purpose

# What TCA Offers





# CHILDCARE



## **Infant-3 Years Old**

The Calvary Academy offers Childcare in a bright fun space specifically designed for infants (6 weeks old) to toddlers (3 years old). The environment is safe, and children are cared for by qualified teachers and staff who have a passion for creativity and learning. We participate in "Step Up To Quality," Ohio's 5-star quality rating and improvement system.

At The Calvary Academy Childcare, children are immersed in Creative Curriculum, which is comprehensive and research-based. Our children encounter meaningful experiences that help them to develop confidence, creativity, and lifelong critical thinking skills.

Lower child to teacher ratios mean that teachers have more time for individualized interactions with every child. Children can form strong bonds with their teachers and classmates and can engage more readily in activities and cooperative play.



# PRESCHOOL



## **3-5 Years Old**

The Calvary Academy believes that early learning is key in the formation of a child's education. PreSchool students enjoy a full-day program complete with plenty of time for learning and creative play.

Our Christian-based curriculum focuses on foundational reading skills: recognizing and writing all letters of the alphabet, understanding beginning phonics, and identifying consonants and vowels.

By the end of the school year, advanced students begin to read one and two vowel words. Students also focus on learning to count and identify numbers through 20. Lower child to teacher ratios ensure that every child is given individualized attention.



# KINDERGARTEN



## 5 Years Old

Kindergarten students are growing emotionally, mentally, and physically. The Calvary Academy has a proven track record of providing an excellent education and experience for this foundational year of school.

One of the cornerstones of becoming a life-long learner is reading. Our students master all aspects of recognizing vowels and consonants, using blends, memorizing sight words, and applying phonics rules. Key math concepts are taught (including number sense, counting and addition facts). Creativity is fostered through music, art, and play.

As a core value, The Calvary Academy students receive personalized individual attention due to a lower student to teacher ratio.



# ELEMENTARY



## 1st-6th Grade

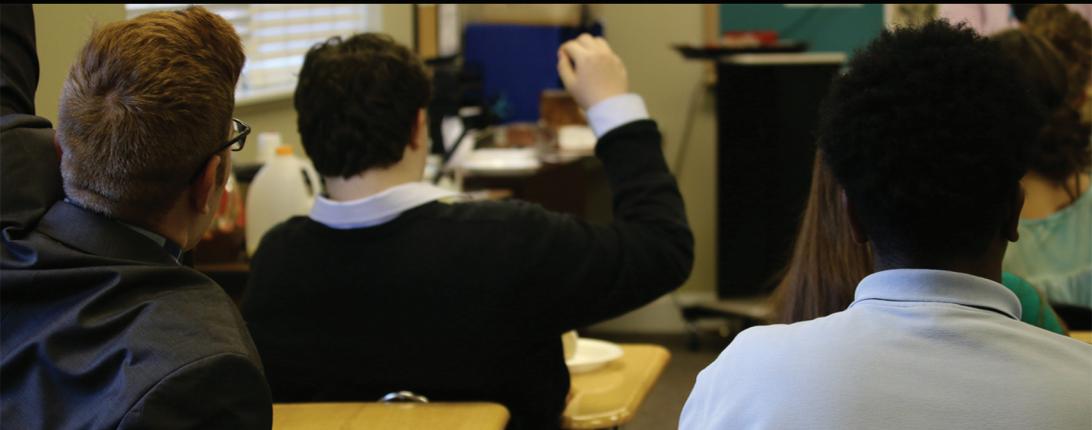
Elementary students experience a unified academic path that serves as a bridge between our exemplary kindergarten and our college-preparatory secondary. Caring, qualified faculty focus on competitive academics with a Biblical foundation.

Phonics remains a focus of our early elementary grades, and yearly reading workshops throughout all of the elementary promote a love of reading. STEAM is a priority and is presented through curriculum input and extracurricular activities. Students participate in annual education fairs and competition which focuses on academics, music, art, and athletics. At this critical time when their world view is expanding, students have the opportunity to develop friendships with like-minded students who share similar values.

TCA partners with parents to ensure that students receive the best possible educational experience during their elementary years.



# SECONDARY



## 7th-12th Grade

Secondary students are educated by caring faculty who are ready to invest in their lives. Competitive academics with a Biblical foundation ensure that students are prepared for the college experience.

TCA incorporates all of the Ohio academic content standards into our curriculum and exceeds all of the requirements for receiving the Ohio Graduation Diploma. Beginning in the junior high, students are intentionally guided towards a college path through career exploration, college visits, college entrance testing, volunteer experiences, and scholarship research. In their senior year, students are fully equipped to engage in the college application process, and we have achieved a 100% college acceptance rate of all high school seniors for many years.

Travel, both in the US and abroad, is a highlight for our students. The student experience is enhanced by participation in ASCEND, a convention where students participate in academic, artistic, athletic and persuasive competition.

# 100%

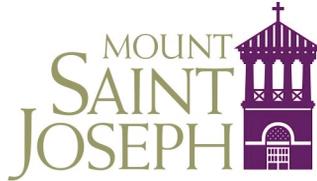
Percentage of TCA  
graduates who have  
been accepted into a  
college.



# Colleges who have accepted TCA students



**XAVIER**  
UNIVERSITY



**WRIGHT STATE**  
UNIVERSITY



**NEW YORK UNIVERSITY**  
A private university in the public service

# Alumni Testimonials



- Philip -  
Class of 2011

I attended The Calvary Academy from Kindergarten all the way through 12th grade. The academic and Biblical principles that were instilled in me while attending TCA have helped me graduate college and law school. I am now an attorney (Assistant Prosecutor at City of Cincinnati), and I owe part of my success to the teachings of TCA.



- Kandice -  
Class of 2002

Receiving my education from K5 to 12th grade at TCA had a lasting and vital impact on my life as it nurtured my faith, instilled and supported Christian values, and taught all subjects from a Biblical worldview. God was the center of the curriculum taught at TCA, and for that, I am forever grateful. It gave me a solid foundation on which to continue building my life and to pursue higher levels of education.

I went on to attend Miami University where I graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts in Speech Communication. I was accepted into graduate school at Miami under the Family Science and Social Work Department where I attained my Master's of Science. Upon completing graduate school, I was hired by my alma mater to be an instructor for the Family Studies Department, and I have been teaching at Miami ever since as a faculty instructor.

# 5 Motivations of Parents Concerning Education

Parents have different values and motivations as it pertains to their child's educational experience. Not every parent has the same motivations or values. Parents will either passively or actively choose what is most important to them.

## 1. What is my child learning?

**Curriculum** – Curriculum is a vital component for a student's overall learning experience. Parents want to know what their child is learning, and how it will impact their overall worldview.

- *TCA's classroom instruction aligns with Ohio Academic Content Standards and the voluntary national education standards for major subject areas through the use of Bible-based curriculum presented from a Christian worldview. Parents who want their students to have a quality academic foundation with a Biblical worldview will find the curriculum to be well suited for excellence.*
- *TCA provides a unified academic path from infant through high school graduation. TCA prepares students for their life-long academic journey through strong academic values such as an exceptional early child reading program and a college-preparatory curriculum based on college and career readiness benchmark standards.*

## 2. Who is teaching my child?

**Teachers** – Teachers have a tremendous impact on the growth, development, and emotional strength of children and youth; their effect reverberates even into adulthood.

- *TCA provides a low teacher to student ratio that allows students to get the individual attention so often needed and desired.*
- *TCA teachers are Christians as well as church and community leaders who live out the love of Christ daily in front of their students.*
- *TCA teachers are educated, experienced, and committed to excellence providing a high quality learning experience for the students and a strategic partnership for parents.*

## 3. Who is influencing my child?

**Social** - The social experience of a child is important to their development. Children and youth have different social needs. A smaller private Christian educational experience and environment have many benefits for your student including the development of life-long friendships, interpersonal and intrapersonal skills, strong emotional intelligence, and spiritual disciplines.

- *TCA provides a healthy social opportunity for students to learn how to interact and socialize in a smaller environment mirroring a typical business-world work environment.*

Here are the 5 key motivations you should consider as it relates to a child's education experience and how TCA seeks to answer them:

#### 4. Where are they learning?

**Environment** – The environment in which a child learns can be a great catalyst for development. Smaller schools, while not able to provide all of the programming of larger institutions, still provide a safe, intimate learning environment, as well as exposure to technology and resources by drawing from partnerships with outside organizations.

- *TCA facilities provide a safe, well-maintained, and energetic environment for students to learn.*
- *TCA is partnered with various extracurricular educational organizations in order to provide well-rounded opportunities for students to grow and develop.*
- *TCA provides the opportunity for students to compete in a yearly national Christian competition in the categories of academics, art, music, athletics, and persuasive oratories.*
- *TCA provides a complete and professional academic environment designed for infants all the way through high school, including space for recreation, arts, science, and technology.*

#### 5. How much does it cost?

**Cost** – The cost of a child's education can be an important factor in a parent's decision. While it is true that the financial cost for private education over public is higher, choosing private Christian education is an investment in your student's academic, relational, and spiritual future.

- *TCA provides a high-quality Christ-centered education at a competitive price. Through TCC Member scholarships and financial aid assistance, it seeks to provide the opportunity for all families who to desire to attend to do so.*
- *TCA remains affordable for families because, as a ministry of The Calvary Church, TCA is grounded on good financial stewardship and the contribution of many individuals who volunteer their time and donate money for its operations.*
- *TCA is a value-added investment. It provides a personally customized path to help students with post-graduation decisions, including helping students find scholarships. Even after TCA students graduate, they remain connected with TCA faculty and find continued guidance and support as they navigate their future.*

# Parent Testimonials



- John & Tricia -  
Parents of TCA Students

Moving our children from everything we've ever known - the exact same schools that my husband and I graduated from - to a private Christian school was a tremendous change for us. It took all of two days to realize that it was something that we SHOULD have done from the moment that our oldest was eligible for preschool!! To have the morals and values that we teach at home and our church reinforced and applied at school is truly a blessing! It's amazing to have a TEAM that truly loves our children, is invested in their futures (Kingdom and academic), and has their success in life and beyond at heart. Choosing TCA was, without a doubt, one of the very best decisions that we've ever made.



- Terry & Nedra -  
Parents of TCA Student

Our son began his education journey with TCA when he was a preschooler. By the end of preschool, TJ was able to recognize all of his letters and numbers and even knew how to read some words.

Kindergarten really laid the foundation for him. He began to learn how to be responsible for completing his work and other tasks, listening, and social skills. He was excited about learning how to read because of the different activities offered by his teachers which made learning fun. He was able to read by the end of Kindergarten.

After Kindergarten the foundation was set due to repetition and knowing what is expected in the learning process. His reading skills progressed every year with the help of his teachers at TCA.

Having our son attend a faith-based school was the best decision we have ever made. We have watched him grow into a respectful child who cares about others. When the golden rules are taught to our children at an early age, they grow up to be people who have regard and respect for humanity. Our son LOVES the Lord.

We would definitely recommend TCA to other families because the staff provide unconditional LOVE for the children. They care about their education and success. TCA also makes you a part of their family.



TCA students are involved in programs and extracurriculars that enhance and develop the whole student.

## Chapel



## Sports



## Drama



## Music



## Camps



## Travel





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