

BRADENTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

- Bradenton Christian School (BCS) is a covenantal Christian school. At least one parent/guardian must:
 - have a clear testimony of personal faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.
 - support BCS' doctrinal position and Statement of Belief.
 - have regular **in-person** attendance at a local Christian church.
 - not be participating in practices that are illegal or considered by the school as immoral or inconsistent with a positive Christian lifestyle.
 - abide by the Westminster Confession of Faith's definition of marriage.
- Church Recommendation from a local Christian church.
- The applicant has a desire to attend BCS and adhere to the standards in the student handbook.
- The following areas are indicators for enrollment:
 - The applicant has a "C" average or a 2.0 GPA as indicated on a report card and/or transcript.
 - The applicant is in good behavioral standing for a minimum of one year in their current school with no suspensions, expulsions, or excessive referrals, verified by a record of behavior and attendance.
 - The applicant demonstrates a pattern of achievement on standardized testing and that he/she is prepared to succeed in the grade level for which they are applying. * Note: a \$25 fee will be assessed if testing must be expedited or scheduled on a date other than testing dates set by BCS.
 - Applicants score at or above current grade level on the entrance exam.
 - Kindergarten and 1st grade applicants score at or above current norms on the entrance exam. Students entering kindergarten must be five years old by September 1 of the school year for which they are applying.

The BCS mission is to provide an excellent, Christ-centered education based on God's Word, and to prepare the hearts and minds of God's covenantal children, in partnership with the home and church, for service in God's world.

STATEMENT OF BELIEF

- We believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the inspired Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and obedience.
- We believe that there is only one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
- We believe that man, created in the image of God, disobeyed, fell from his original righteousness, and became dead in sin.
- We believe that Jesus Christ, the incarnate, sinless Son of God, was crucified and arose bodily, from the dead, so that those who receive Him by faith would have everlasting life.
- We believe that regeneration by the power of the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for the salvation of lost and sinful man, and that His indwelling enables the Christian to live a godly life.
- We believe in the personal return of Christ to judge the living and the dead.
- We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.
- We believe that God has given parents the responsibility of bringing up their children in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord." Since the accomplishment of this objective is a very complex task, parents look to the school and the church for assistance in reaching this goal.
- We believe that a consistent and meaningful education will result when the home, the school, and the church are in agreement on the basic concepts of life. Only as the sum total or all learning is seen in the light of God's Word will the student be able to differentiate the truth from error. With the aid of Christian teachers in a Christian environment, we believe these goals will be realized.