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## **Harvest Christian Academy**

HCA is an outstanding Pre K-12 school committed to providing the absolute best academic experience. From our inviting and nurturing preschool all the way up to our college preparatory high school, your child will be welcomed and lovingly challenged to meet to his or her maximum potential. With age-appropriate methodologies, our teachers build critical thinking skills along with mastery of all the traditional core subjects. HCA administrators use regular evaluations, accreditation protocols, and yearly standardized test scores in a continual process of school improvement to give our families, not only the very finest school experience, but also the best preparation for the future.

At HCA our mission is to teach students to love God, others, and learning. We focus on providing the highest quality academics to lay a strong foundation for each student in preparation for college or a successful career. Harvest strives to instill godly character in each of our students, which will guide them long after they leave our classrooms. Our school is a place where children can realize their fullest potential in every area of life by providing challenging academics, character-building within a Christian environment, and individualized life mentoring.

## **Three Foundational Core Values**

## **Challenging Academics**

HCA employs regular evaluations of students and teachers to maintain accountability to its mission and core values. For our students, yearly standardized tests measure their relative position to national norms. For our teachers, we maintain an extensive professional development program ranging from mentor programs for new teacher to funding masters degrees for teachers.

Also, as a part of our regional and national accreditation, each core academic department undergoes a year-long evaluation and revision of its curricula in relation to national standards.

#### Key Metrics of Academic Success at HCA

- **Qualified Teachers:** 93% of teachers have graduated from U.S. colleges and universities.
- National Honors Society: In 2023, 40% of students in 10th to 12th grade are NHS members having earned a GPA of 4.0 or higher.
- **Standardized Test Scores:** Graduating students score 25+% higher than U.S. average. See page 15 for additional details.
- **College Readiness:** On average, graduating students score 200 points higher on the SAT than the U.S. national average. See page 14 for additional details.

## Life Mentorship

Life mentorship is the investment of one individual into another individual to provide support, instruction, and encouragement. Harvest Christian Academy creates an atmosphere of life mentorship by carefully hiring only the most qualified staff. We work very hard to ensure that every staff member has a strong heart of mentorship toward the next generation. As a staff, we regularly train and focus on our responsibilities as mentors. Students that have been effectively mentored work harder, score better, and go further than those without a mentor. Harvest Christian Academy strives to personally mentor each student to push them toward goals beyond what they can imagine.

#### **Key Metrics of Life Mentorship**

- **Testimony of Graduates** Ask our graduates what they appreciate the most about Harvest Christian Academy!
- **Returning Alumni** Due to lasting relationships and personal impact, Harvest has a number of graduates serving in various capacities within Harvest Ministries. We count it the highest privilege when alumni return to serve at Harvest.

## **Christian Environment**

A school's environment is made up of first impressions, individual encounters, and enforcement of its policies. Creating a Christian Environment takes its lead from Christ's example and Biblical principles. HCA's philosophies are built off of God's Word - love the Lord with all your heart and love your neighbor as yourself (Mark 12:28-31). The results of this kind of school culture are widespread and positive. Students can learn and develop their talents without fear of bullying, discrimination or favoritism. Parents know that their children will be taught, disciplined and corrected in love. Within this environment, teachers can focus on inspiring growth and knowledge.

#### Key Metrics of the Christian Environment at HCA

- **Student Retention:** Year over year, Harvest exceeds student retention rates identified in national surveys. More than 90% of our students return each year.
- **Curriculum:** HCA invests in high quality curriculum to use as the foundation for student instruction. Our curriculum drives academic rigor and the development of critical thinking skills through the lens of a biblical worldview.

## **Harvest Christian Academy**

Leadership Lead Pastor Pastor Gary Walton

Head of School Dr. Neal Ring

Lead and 4th-8th Principal Mr. Joshua Taylor

> Principal: 9th-12th Mr. Andrew Dongon

Assistant Principal: 9th-12th College Guidance Counselor Miss Leah Bere

**Principal: Pre-K-3rd** Mrs. Hope Fahoyelmarey

#### **School Profile**

Established in 1975 College preparatory school Diverse student body Over 900 students in Pre-K -12th grade 93% of teachers have graduated from U.S. colleges and universities

#### **Faculty Profile**

61 teachers on staff Doctorates - 3 Master's Degrees - 18 Master's Degrees Candidates - 4

#### **Academic Requirements**

Grading Scale

A - 90-100 B - 80-89 C - 70-79 D - 60-69 F - below 60

#### Grade Point Average (GPA)

Grade points are assigned on a 4-point scale (A=4.0) Grade points for Honors and AP classes are assigned on a 5-point scale (A=5.0)

#### **Cumulative Weighted GPA**

#### and Numeric Average of Graduating Seniors

Class of 2023 average GPA 3.75; numeric average 92.4% Class of 2022 average GPA 3.78; numeric average 93%

# Preschool • Pre-K Kindergarten • K5

HCA Preschool and Kindergarten programs provide a language rich environment, opportunities for academic development, and well supervised social interaction.

Social and Physical Development Language Development Foreign Language Phonics/Reading Math Bible Art Music Chapel \* P.E.\*

\*Weekly in K5





#### Sample Pre-K Schedule

- 7:15 Before-School Care Begins
- 7:45 Start of Regular School Day
- 8:15 Bible Time
- 8:30 Music Class
- 9:30 Outdoor Free Play
- 10:00 Learning Activities: Reading & Math
- 10:45 Lunch
- 11:30 Outdoor Free Play
- 12:00 Nap, Rest Time
- 1:30 Learning Activities
- 1:50 Prepare to Leave
- 2:00 End of School Day
- 2:45 After-School Care Begins
- 5:30 After-School Care Ends



## Lower Elementary • 1-3

#### **Core Subjects**

Bible Reading Math English/Writing/Spelling

#### **Enrichment Subjects**

History Science

### **Extracurricular Classes**

Art/Chapel/Foreign Language/Library/Music/Physical Education (Weekly)

Piano Lab

Music faculty are available for beginning, intermediate, and advanced lessons (students must be 2nd graders or older)

#### After School Enrichment Program

A variety of after school classes offered on a quarterly basis Examples: STEM, Creative Writing, and Chess



# **Upper Elementary • 4-6**

Team teaching between three teachers in each grade level

## **Core Subjects**

Math Advanced sections in 5th and 6th Grade English Language Arts Reading

#### **Homeroom Subjects**

Bible History Science Spelling

### **Extracurricular Classes**

Art Chapel Library Music Physical Education

#### Music

• Honor Choir, Beginning Band, Beginning & Intermediate Strings, Piano Lessons, and Strings Lessons

#### **Physical Education**

- Quarterly Intramural Sports in Volleyball, Basketball and Futsal
- 6th Grade may participate in Middle School IIAAG League Sports: Cross Country Running, Volleyball, Soccer, and Basketball

#### After School Enrichment Program

• A variety of after school classes offered on a quarterly basis



# Junior High • 7-8

Junior high students have seven class periods each day-six core subjects, 1 elective

## **Mathematics**

Pre-Algebra Advanced Pre-Algebra Algebra 1 Advanced Algebra I

MathCounts - HCA team of students from the Advanced Problem Solving class.

- 2nd place team on island in 2023
- 2023 One Harvest student represented Guam in MathCounts finals in Florida
  American Mathematics Competition

## Bible

Old & New Testament Survey

## **Quarterly Classes**

7th - Music Appreciation, Physical Education

8th - Keyboarding, Reading, Physical Education, High School Seminar, Health

### Science

Life Science Earth Science Advanced Biology

### History

World History American History

## English

Grammar and Literature \* Young Authors Contest

\* Spelling Bee



### **Electives**

Academic Challenge Bowl Advanced Problem Solving Art Band Choir

Computer Creative Writing ESL Intro to Languages Speech

### Extracurricular

#### Middle School Academic Challenge Bowl

- Competes against private and public middle schools
- 2020 Island Champions

### **National Junior Honor Society**

• 7th-9th grade students recognized for academic achievement, leadership, and service

Sports Volleyball Basketball Soccer Cross Country Running



# High School • 9-12

Graduation Requirements and Courses Credits Required for Graduation: 24 minimum

#### **Mathematics - 3 credits**

(Prerequisite Algebra I - 8th Grade) Geometry Advanced Geometry Algebra II Advanced Algebra II Pre-Calculus AP Pre-Calculus AP Calculus AB Consumer Math Statistics AP Statistics

### Foreign Language - 2 credits

Spanish I, II, & III Japanese I, II, & III

### **Physical Education - 1 credit**

Coaching Physical Education Health & Fitness

### **Bible - 4 credits**

Life Skills 9: Old Testament Doctrine Life Skills 10: New Testament Doctrine Life Skills 11: Biblical Worldview Life Skills 12: Biblical Philosophy and Application

### **Science - 3 credits**

Biology Physical Science Advanced Physical Science Chemistry Advanced Chemistry Physics Honors Physics Anatomy AP Chemistry

## **Social Science - 4 credits**

Geography World History US History AP US History Guam History History of Languages Government & Economics AP US Government

## **English - 4 credits**

English 9 English 10 American Literature Honors English 11 British Literature Honors English 12 Research

## **Electives**

**Art** I, II, Advanced Art Art Survey

#### Music

Choir Band Orchestra Symphony Speech NFL Debate & Interpretation

#### English Language

Academic English Skills (International Students)

#### Computer Microsoft Office Intro to Programming Computer Applications

Miscellaneous Yearbook I & II

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## Extracurricular

### AMC 10, 12

Academic Challenge Bowl

National Forensics League Debate Public Speaking Dramatic Interpretation

#### Harvest Acting Troupe

- Sports
  - Basketball Beach Volleyball Bowling Cross Country Running Soccer Tennis Volleyball

## Clubs

NHS, NJHS, Tri-M, and Mu Alpha Theta Honor Societies

Student Clubs - American Red Cross, Art, Camera, Environmental Preservation, Fitness, FBLA, Medical, Service, Soroptomist, STEM, UNICEF, Writer's Club



## **Recognized Excellence**

Partial list of universities that have accepted HCA graduates in the last four years • Institutions in the Top 50 from US News 2023 Best Colleges

- Princeton University
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Stanford University
- Yale University
- Johns Hopkins University
- University of Pennsylvania
- Duke University
- Brown University
- Vanderbilt University
- Washington University in St. Louis
- Cornell University
- Columbia University
- University of Notre Dame
- University of California-Berkeley
- University of California-Los Angeles
- Emory University
- Georgetown University
- New York University
- University of Michigan
- University of Southern California
- University of Florida
- University of California-Santa Barbara
- University of California-Irvine
- University of California-San Diego
- University of Rochester
- University of California-Davis
- The University of Texas at Austin
- University of Wisconsin
- Boston University
- University of Illinois
- Case Western Reserve University
- Northeastern University
- The Ohio State University

Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Baylor University Biola University Bob Jones University Butler University Cal Poly California College of the Arts Clemson University Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Faith Baptist Bible College Fashion Institute of Technology Florida State University La Sierra University Liberty University Loyola University Maranatha Baptist University Michigan State University Milwaukee School of Engineering Nagoya University Oregon Institute of Technology Pennsylvania State University Pensacola Christian College Pepperdine University Purdue University Rochester Institute of Technology Rutgers University Santa Clara University Seattle Pacific University Seattle University Sophia University Stony Brook University Syracuse University Temple University Japan The University of Alabama United States Military Academy United States Naval Academy University of California-Santa Cruz University of Guam University of Hawaii at Manoa University of Massachusetts University of Nevada-Las Vegas University of Oklahoma University of Oregon University of Portland University of the Pacific University of Washington Virginia Tech Waseda University Wellesley College

# **Testing Scores**

College Board SAT	ERW	Math
HCA Class of 2023 Mean	590	630
US National Mean (2022 report)	521	529
Advanced Placement (AP) Tests	No. Tests	% with scores 3+
May 2023	113	64%
May 2022	134	63%

# Accreditation

Harvest Christian Academy is accredited by Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools (MSA), North American Christian School Accrediting Agency (NACSAA), and the American Association of Christian Schools (AACS).

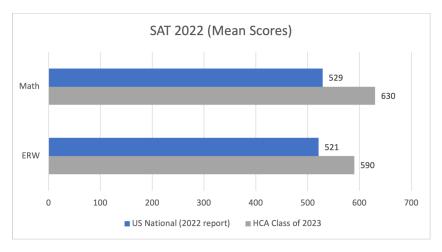




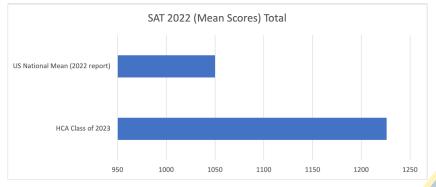


# **Measuring College Readiness**

HCA provides a college preparatory caliber of education. HCA measures this achievement by measuring key college entrance exams such as the College Board SAT test. The following data represent the current results:



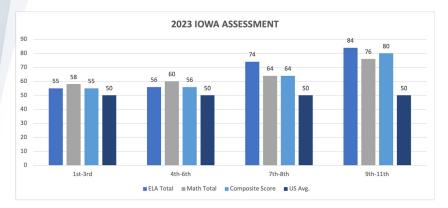
## **College Board SAT Data**



These scores allow our students to apply and be accepted to a wide ranging breadth of public and private colleges. In the past 4 years, HCA has placed students in more than half of the Top 50 colleges identified in the US News 2023 Best Colleges.

## **Iowa Assessment Results**

HCA uses the Iowa Basic and CogAt as a standardized benchmark for academic achievement. The following results represent the data from our 2023 assessment results by Iower elementary, upper elementary, middle school, and high school.



The data from the standardized achievement data communicates a few key points:

- HCA builds a strong academic foundation in 1st through 3rd grade
- The strong foundation prepares for accelerated academic results culminating in results showcased in high school scores that are 25+% higher than the U.S. average.

Harvest Christian Academy 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 and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

## HARVEST MINISTRIES CAMPUS MAP

- ★ HCA Main Entrance to School Office
- Early Learning Center Entrance
  - 1 Offices
  - 2 Auditorium
  - 3 HUB (Coffee Shop and Uniform Store)
  - **4 KHMG Harvest Family Radio**
  - **5 Academy Classrooms**
  - 6 Cafeteria & Academy Classrooms
  - 7 Early Learning Center
  - 8 Family Life Center, Gym, & Academy Classrooms

