West Side Christian School Admissions Packet 2024-2025

CHECKLIST

- Review this information thoroughly
- Review Statement of Faith and sign Statement of Cooperation
- Schedule tour of WSCS
- Submit Pastoral Reference Form
- Complete Application for Admission
- Complete Application for Financial Aid (LEARNS, ACE, and private scholarships available)
- Complete Medical Permission Form
- Complete Pick-Up/Special Medical Conditions Form
- Sign Release of Photograph Form
- Review and sign Technology Use Policy
- Go to https://learns.ade.arkansas.gov and complete the application if you are applying to use EFA funds through the LEARNS Act.
- Go to https://www.acescholarships.org/become-a-scholar/arkansas/ and complete the application if you are applying for the ACE Scholarship.
- After reviewing the tuition and fees, if you believe you will need financial assistance, please contact our Financial Secretary (westsidechristianschool@gmail.com) for an institutional scholarship application.

TUITION AND FEES

Enrollment will begin February 5 for all current students enrolled at WSCS as well as incoming K4 and K5 students. Early enrollment for all NEW students will begin February 12. The fees listed below are paid annually. **REGISTRATION FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.**

GRADE	REGISTRATION	BOOK/SUPPLIES	OPERATIONAL FEE*	TUITION	TRANSFER FEE*
K4 & K5	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$5,000	\$300.00
1st - 4th	\$300.00	\$500.00	\$150.00	\$5,000	\$500.00
5th - 12th	\$300.00	\$600.00	\$150.00 *WSBC members exempt	\$5,000	\$600.00 *only for transfer students

LEARNS ACT and SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

West Side Christian School has been approved by the Arkansas Department of Education to participate in the LEARNS Act/Education Freedom Account program. This year (2024-2025), the following students are eligible to use the funds:

- all K5 and 1st grade students
- children of active duty military, veterans, military reservists and first responders
- students who were enrolled in a "D" or "F" rated school in 23-24
- students with a disability
- current or former foster care students

PAY IT FORWARD SCHOLARSHIP

If your child qualifies to use EFA funds, would you consider giving to a scholarship fund to enable other students who do not qualify for EFA funds to attend WSCS? This would be considered a tax-deductible charitable donation to WSCS.

DISCOUNTS FOR FAMILIES NOT USING LEARNS

Family Discount (2 students) 10%
Family Discount (3 students) 15%
Family Discount (4+students) 30%
WSBC Member 5%
Lump Sum Payment 2%

^{*}Discounts apply for students in grade K5 and above from within the immediate family*

BOOKS	OPERATIONAL FEE
New books are purchased and ordered through the school each year. Book fees include all books required for class as well as communication, lab, software and journal fees. Book fees vary by grade—please see the book fee schedule on the previous page.	Families are charged an Operational Fee one time per year (the fee is per family, not per student). This fee helps cover the expenses incurred throughout the school year from regular maintenance and utility costs. WSBC members are exempt from paying the Operational Fee.
Book fees must be paid in order for students to receive their books. Book fees are due by June 14.	Due by July 12.
*Students registering after school begins may incur additional book/supplies fee.	
WAITING POOL	PAYMENT SCHEDULES
To place a student in the waiting pool, please submit completed applications, birth certificate and immunization records. If an opening becomes available we will contact you immediately and registration will be due at that time.	Lump Sum: Full tuition paid by August 1st (2% discount on tuition.)

Welcome!

Thank you for your interest in West Side Christian School! Our mission is to teach a Christian worldview in spiritual and community life, inspire and equip students to reach their potential in academics, and help develop well-balanced members of society.

West Side Christian School was established in 1985 as a ministry of West Side Baptist Church to assist families in the total education of their children by providing affordable Christian education.

From the words of our founders,

"Our educational philosophy is based on a God-centered view that all truth is God's truth, and that the Bible is the inspired and the only infallible authoritative Word of God which contains this truth.

Our aim is to provide a Christian perspective on the total world view from which will produce a balanced personality and a proper understanding and acceptance of a person's role in life at home, at work, at play and worship — all grounded in the Christian concept of love. The spiritual must permeate all areas, else we become textbook-oriented rather than student oriented.

This philosophy channels our energies to promote high academic standards while helping the student to achieve skills in creative and critical thinking using the best integrated curriculum available. The objective of our instructional program is to enable the student to pursue the post-secondary education of his choosing, whether in college, university or in vocational training areas."

West Side Christian School is accredited by the Arkansas Nonpublic Accrediting Association (ANSAA) which is affiliated with the National Federation of Nonpublic School State Accrediting Association. We are also a member in good standing of the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI). All of our teachers are committed Christians who are passionate about teaching, highly educated, and licensed by the State of Arkansas or by the Association of Christian Schools International.

At West Side Christian School, we believe character is as important as academics and that opportunities to develop character should be available at every juncture. Because of this, our team holds to certain core values that forge the kind of character we see in Jesus Christ, that foster wisdom, and that nurture a lifelong passion for learning. We call it *The Warrior Way* and believe it makes the difference.

West Side Christian School Statement of Faith

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- We believe in the absolute necessity of regeneration by the Holy Spirit for salvation because of the exceeding sinfulness of human nature; and that men are justified on the single ground of faith in the shed blood of Christ and that only by God's grace and through faith alone we are saved (John 3:16-19, 5:24; Romans 3:23, 5:8-9; Ephesians 2:8-10; Titus 3:5).
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These statements of faith are important to our school and serve as the foundation of all that we do. If you find yourself in disagreement with these statements, please seriously consider whether or not you should enroll your child in our school. We will not compromise on these tenets of our faith.

I/We,, affirm th	, affirm the above statements of faith.		
Signature:	///		
Signature:	Date: / /		

West Side Christian School Statement of Cooperation

It is my understanding that the policy for WSCS is to make no refunds on registration fees.

IN ORDER TO SOLEMNIFY the desire of the undersigned parties to glorify the Lord with their obedience to Him and to promote a clear understanding of the duties and responsibilities of each party, the undersigned parties adopt the following Parent/School Agreement:

- To support the statement of faith of WSCS and agree that my family will abide by these doctrines in all aspects of our lives, both at school and away from school ministries and functions. Our family will faithfully attend all required school activities and voluntarily support the total school program in word and deed.
- I/We agree to partner with WSCS in the education of my/our child and will support the policies and procedures designed to carry out the school's mission statement.
- To accept teacher and administrative authority and to abide by the discipline policies, rules and regulations of the school, including those listed in the Student Handbook.
- I understand and agree that the education of my child will be guided by the instructors and other school officials. I agree that my purpose in obtaining a Christian education for my child will be achieved by following the curriculum set by the instructors. To that end, I agree that I will require my child to perform all duties and responsibilities entrusted to him by the instructors and school officials to the best of his/her ability to their satisfaction. I understand and agree that during my child's enrollment, the courses offered and the instructors teaching them may change from time to time at the discretion of the school leadership.
- I understand that neither I nor my child has a right to publish and/or distribute a student newsletter, or any other publication. I understand and agree that WSCS has the right and sole discretion to control any and all publications, and any circulation or distribution of such materials. I will ensure that my child understands this provision.
- Non-custodial parents are not to use the school as a meeting place to visit with their children. In the case of
 divorced parents, a copy of the court order stating visiting rights will be required to be on file in the school office.
 The administration will only allow the non-custodial parent the rights outlined in the court order. Special
 exemptions, and/or circumstances are not to be requested.
- To pay tuition when due as set forth in the Financial Information Statement for WSCS. I understand that monthly
 tuition payments are due on the first day of each month. I further understand that if I fail to make a timely
 payment, my child may be withdrawn from school and I may be subject to late payment fees and other costs in
 accordance with school policy.
- I understand that attending WSCS is a privilege, not a right, and if at any time his/her conduct, academic progress, or cooperation with school authorities, is not in keeping with school standards, the school reserves the right to terminate, at its discretion, my child's enrollment. Understanding that this Agreement does not bind either party to any specific period of enrollment to anything contrary contained herein. Either party has the right to terminate this Agreement without cause upon seven (7) days written notice. I understand that no rights or presumptions of continued enrollment are conferred or implied by this Agreement or by a number of consecutive Agreements. I further agree that no right to notice of renewal of the Agreement is conferred or implied.

- As WSCS is a Christian ministry organization, both parties agree that they would never make demands, threaten to sue, or actually litigate any matter whatsoever relating to or resulting from this Agreement. I understand that making demands, threatening to sue or actually litigating a matter against WSCS clearly violates Biblical teaching and practice and shall constitute sufficient grounds for immediate withdrawal of all my children from enrollment at WSCS. I understand that retaining or instructing an attorney to contact the ministry with regard to a potential claim or dispute will be interpreted as a threat to sue. Accordingly, the parties agree to resolve all potential claims, disputes or causes of action through binding arbitration using the procedures outlined in the following procedures:
 - 1. I agree to follow the Biblical pattern of Matthew 18:15-17 and Galatians 6:1 and always give a good report. All differences are to be resolved by utilizing Biblical principles—always presenting a united front.
 - 2. The parties agree that the methods outlined in this section (section 9) shall be the sole remedies for any and all controversies or claims arising out of the enrollment relationship or this Agreement and expressly waive their right to file a lawsuit against one another in any civil court for such disputes, except to enforce a legally binding arbitration decision.
 - 3. I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Procedures for Arbitration adopted by WSCS and agree to abide by the procedures outlined therein.
 - 4. I agree to do everything in my power to avoid involving WSCS in any legal proceedings which may take place or legal requests for documents or testimony of school officials concerning the custody and/or education and upbringing of my child. I understand that if, in spite of my and my attorney's best efforts, any school official is legally compelled to provide testimony or documentation from WSCS and that my account may be charged for any and all expenses incurred in complying with such legal process.

The parties agree that there are no other agreements or understandings between them relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements, oral or written, between the parties and is intended as a complete and exclusive statement of the agreement of the parties. Neither this Agreement nor its execution have been induced by any reliance, representations, stipulations, warranties, agreements or understandings of any kind other than those expressed herein. If any provision of this agreement is found to be void or voidable, it shall affect the validity of any other provision. Both parties shall remain bound by all other provisions.

- I certify that I will explain this Agreement and its meaning to my child. I will assist the school in every way necessary to ensure my child abides by all the terms of this Agreement.
- I understand that this Agreement shall not take effect until fully executed by all parties.

I give West Side Christian School permission for my child to take part in all school activities, including bus trips, sports activities, and school-sponsored trips away from the school premises.

I understand that should my marital status change that it is my responsibility to have a corrected Statement of Cooperation signed and updated and delivered to West Side Christian School.

West S	Side Christian School admits students o	of any race, color and national or ethnic origin.	
IN WI	TNESS WHERE OF, the parties executed	I this Agreement on the day of, 20)
BY		(Father/Legal Guardian)	
AND _		(Mother/Legal Guardian)	
	ACCEPTED AND APPROVED BY		

West Side Christian School Application for Admission

2400 W. Hillsboro El Dorado, AR 71730 870-863-5636 870-863-3529 (fax)

WSCS does not discriminate in the administration policies in regard to race, color, or national or ethnic origin.

Student Information

Indicate for which year you are applying for admission: 20_

Last Name	First Name	_
Middle Name	Preferred Name	_
Address	City State: AR/LA	Zip
Phone	Date of Birth //	
Grade Upcoming School Year		
Sex: Male / Female		
Race: Hispanic / American Indian / Asian / Black / Social Security Number	Pacific Islander / White	
Parent/Guardian Information		
Does student live with both parents? Yes / No (If parents are divorced, all court documents must	be on file in the office.)	
Father's Last Name	,	
Cell PhoneOccupation	email	
Address (if different)	_ City State: AR/LA	Zip
Mother's Last Name	Mother's First Name	
Cell PhoneOccupation	email	
Address (if different)	City State: AR/LA	Zip

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Contact 1: Full Name		
Phone	Phone 2	
Contact 2: Full Name		
Phone	Phone 2	
Contact 3: Full Name		
Phone	Phone 2	
Contact 4: Full Name		
Phone	Phone 2	
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Phone		
	Pastor's Name	
Phone	Pastor's Name City	

Educational Information			
School last attended	Phone		
Address	City	State:	Zip
Has the student repeated any grades? Yes /	No		
If yes, please explain:			
Has the student had any discipline problems. Yes / No	, suspensions, reques	sts to withdraw from a se	chool or expulsions?
If yes, please explain:			
Does the student have any suspected physic	cal, emotional or learn	ing challenges? Yes / N	lo
If yes, please explain:			
Does the student require any additional acad	demic support or in-cla	ass modifications? Yes	
If yes, please explain:	zonnio oupport or in old	aco mounicatione. Too,	
Does the student have any attendance or tar	rdiness problems? Yes	s / No	
If yes, please explain:			
Does the student utilize professional counsel	ling? Yes / No		
If yes, please explain:			
Why do you want your child to attend WSCS	;?		
How did you hear about WSCS? (Advertisem	nent, website, friend, o	church, etc.)	

Medication Permission Form 2024-2025

Name:	Age:	Grade:
Parent's Name:	Phone: _	
Medical Information_		
Medical Doctor		_
Special Medical Conditions (List a	all) (Allergy information will b	e supplied on another form)
Allergy Information_		
List all allergies		
Medication Permission/Restric	ctions	
Check one of the following:		
I give the staff of WSCS per	mission to administer medic	eations as needed without contacting me first.
Please indicate if your child CAN	NOT have any of the following	ng:
Acetaminophen (Tylenol)		
	Sinus tabs (acetaminophe	
Throat Lozenges	PMS relief (acetaminophei	n, pamabron, hydrochloride, vitamins, minerals)
Please call me before admir	nistering any medication.	

Medications administered

Date	Medication	Dosage	Reason

Pick-Up/Medical Information 2024-2025

Student name:	Grade:	
Please list individuals responsible for picking		
up your child from school:	Special Medical Condition (please be specific)	ons & Treatments:
Name:		
Phone:	Allergies:	Treatment:
Relationship:		
Name:		
Phone:		
Relationship:	Please list any food or oth	•
	CANNOT eat or be expos	ed to:
Name:		
Phone:		
Relationship:		
Name:		
Phone:		
Relationship:		
	Other health conditions:	Treatment:
Please list individuals who may NOT pick up your		
child (and provide copies of court documents)		
Name:		
Relationship:		
Name:		
Relationship:	Please attach instruction	ns regarding further
	treatments for special c	onditions such as
Name:	severe allergies, diabete	es, asthma, etc.
Polationship:		

Release of Photograph Form 2024-2025

It is understood and agreed that I do hereby give West Side Christian School, its successors and assigns, and all persons or corporations acting with their permission or upon their authority, the absolute right and unrestricted permission to use and/or publish my child's name and/or photograph, still, single, multiple, or moving, or in which my child may be included in whole or in part, or composite, or distorted in character or form, in any media including internet and social networking venues for prayer or sponsorship support, advertising, marketing, trade, fundraising or any other lawful purpose. I do hereby waive the right that I may have to inspect the photograph or video clip that may be used in connection therewith, or the use to which it may be applied and grant West Side Christian School the right to edit the original or copy thereof at its discretion. I further understand my child's name, age, and/or grade may be used in conjunction with the photograph or moving video.

I understand the date of this authorization is without time limitations and that I may revoke, or withdraw, this authorization to use and/or publish my child's name and/or photograph at any time by sending a written notice to West Side Christian School, ATTN: School Office, 2400 W. Hillsboro, El Dorado, AR 71730.

Name of Child	
Name of Parent/Legal Guardian of Child	
Date	
I DO NOT give West Side Christian School perm	ission to use and/or publish my
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Technology Use Policy 2024-2025

Providing students and faculty with a 21st century digital learning environment is a high standard of West Side Christian School. This Policy is intended to provide information about the types of technology used and the acceptable use policy for technology resources. This policy is in addition to the <u>Policy Governing the use of Computers</u>, the <u>Internet (Social Media) and Electronic Mail</u> which appears in the Student Handbook.

Students are not allowed to bring their own technology devices (laptops, smart phones, smart watches, Readers, iPads, etc.) to campus. Cell phones are not allowed in the school building. Violation of cell phone use is addressed in the Discipline section of the Student Handbook.

Use of school-issued devices to enhance learning in the classroom will be pursued when deemed appropriate at individual teacher discretion. Students will have access to their own Google Apps account, including Gmail, within the WSCS domain (wscswarriors.com). With teacher approval, students may use devices in the classroom to access and save information from the Internet, work with software applications needed for class, collaborate with other learners, and utilize the productivity tools available to them through their student Google Apps accounts.

Use of WSCS's technology resources is a privilege that the School extends to students in order to support and enrich their learning experiences. This addition to our Handbook contains the Acceptable Use Policy and must be signed by both students and their parents/guardians for each school year.

School-Owned Devices

WSCS students work with a wide variety of devices throughout the school year—each designed to meet a different content delivery, content creation or collaboration need. Devices used by students may include, but are not limited to, personal computers (laptops and desktops) running the Windows operating system, iPads, iPod touches, interactive white boards ("SMART boards"), digital projectors, document cameras, televisions, VCRs, DVD players, scanners, printers, and photocopiers. Students use these devices to access the WSCS network through both wired and wireless connections.

Guidelines:

- 1. The student is responsible for the proper care of the assigned electronic device. If intentional damage is done to an electronic device, the student will be responsible for any costs of repair or replacement, as well as possible disciplinary action.
- The school reserves the right to inspect an electronic device at any time while in use by the student if there is reason to believe that the student has violated Board policies, administrative procedures, school rules or has engaged in other misconduct while using their personal device.
- 3. The student will comply with teachers' request to shut down the device or close the screen immediately. Students who improperly use their devices without authorization from the classroom teacher will be disciplined.

- 4. Students checking out laptop computers must ensure that they are returned to the charging station and plugged in.
- 5. The student may not use any electronic devices to record, transmit or post photos or video of a person or persons on campus. Nor can any images or video recorded at school be transmitted or posted at any time without the express permission of a teacher. Also, using any device that permits recording the voice or image of another to take, disseminate, transfer or share audio, images, video or photographs that reveal private parts of the body that are ordinarily covered by clothing is prohibited. The possession of pornographic images or video on any electronic device is prohibited and will be handled according to local laws.
- 6. Students will not access ANY form of social media or gaming while using school-issued computers, including Instagram, Facebook, Snapchat, etc. or <u>any</u> other social media that may be available.
- 7. The student should only use the device to access classroom related activities. Students may not access non-instructional games, videos, and other non-classroom learning material on their computers. Students who use their assigned computer for non-learning activities will lose the privilege of using a computer during class time and possibly be disciplined.
- 8. Students may only access Google or other search engine for class research and/or assignment purposes only.
- 9. Violations of any Board policies, administrative procedures or school rules involving an electronic device may result in the loss of use of any electronic device in school and/or disciplinary action.

As a student I understand and will abide by the above policy and guidelines as well as those referenced in the Student Handbook. I further understand that any violation of the above may result in the loss of my network and/or device privileges as well as other disciplinary action.

As a parent I understand that my child will be responsible for abiding by the above policy and guidelines. I have read and discussed them with him/her and they understand the responsibility they have in the use of school technology/devices.

Student's Printed Name	Student's Signature and Date
Parent's Printed Name	Parent's Signature and Date

West Side Christian School Pastoral Reference Form

2400 W. Hillsboro El Dorado, AR 71730 870-863-5636 870-863-3529 (fax)

TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR PASTOR. Please complete this form and return it to West Side Christian School by mail: 2400 W Hillsboro, El Dorado, AR 71730. Or you may submit it by email to westsidechristianschool@gmail.com. PLEASE DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM TO THE FAMILY.

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Student(s) applying to attend West Side Christian School:
Church Information
Please list the name and address of the church you pastor:
Of what denomination/organization is the church affiliated? (ex., Southern Baptist, Missionary Baptist, Assembly of God, etc.)
Have you reviewed our Statement of Faith (see reverse)? Yes / No
Do you have any concerns regarding the doctrine that will be taught at WSCS? Yes / No

Family Information

Student Information

How long have you known the family of the student(s)?

Is the family in good standing with your church? Yes / No

Do you believe the student(s) will contribute to the Christ-centered growth of WSCS? Yes / No

Do you have any reservations about recommending the student(s) to attend WSCS?

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