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CHRISTIAN ACADEMY



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For the past 31 years we have served the Lord during times of joy as well as trials, a symphony of twists and turns that only God could have orchestrated. Over the years we discovered God's amazing grace and mercy and experienced His hand upon us. It is our desire to serve Him in spirit and in truth, in good times and in bad, with pure hearts and clean hands.

We recognize the significance of teaching children the truth of God's word because **children are God's greatest creation**. They are created in His image and are special in His eyes. (Gen. 1:27) All children are fearfully and wonderfully made and deserve opportunities to learn and grow in the Lord. (Ps. 139:14) God desires a relationship with them and has given them the opportunity to have that relationship with Him. No child is exempt from God's purpose and plan and all should be encouraged to know and trust in Him, worship Him, and serve Him.

Because we believe this, we believe we have to "tend His lambs" (John 21:15). They are unique and special in His eyes. It is with humbleness that we accept God's high calling with the responsibility of shaping and moulding the children that will one day define who we are as a community and a nation. Kimmel once said, *"You can't leave character in a trust account. You cannot write your values into the will. You cannot bank traits like courage, honesty, and compassion in a safe deposit box. What we need is a plan, a long-term strategy to convey our convictions to the next generation."*

Corrie and Madeleine Vermaak

Choices: Give your children the opportunity to make good choices, and they will develop godly character and maturity.

Consequences: Allow your children to face consequences, both positive and negative, and you'll shape the future generations of your family.

Compassion: Help your children cultivate a heart that's moved to action, and they will touch the world like Jesus did.

Consistency: Develop discipline in your own parenting skills, and cast off the mantle of the 'scared' generation.

DEFINITIONS

ACE Accelerated Christian Education

PACE Packet of Accelerated Christian Education

VISION

The ACE vision for educating children is reaching the world for Christ, one child at a time. Our vision for this school is to fulfil God’s calling on our lives to reach out to the “Fatherless”. It is our desire to create a loving, controlled environment to unlock every student’s full potential. Through daily personal attention, and the use of the ACE school system, the children will develop in character, academic competency, sport, and self-discipline. It is a desire of our hearts to give every student a head start in life that will place them on the road to success.

MISSION

To provide relevant individualized quality curriculum materials, training and biblical instruction from Grade 1 to Grade 12 to empower students with academic excellence and Godly character.

LOCATION

The Academy is set in spacious, park-like gardens of a smallholding in Rynfield Agricultural Holdings in Benoni. The grounds are 2.2 hectares, of which an area is fenced off for the security of the school students.

The class room is learning centre style which implies an “office” per student. A specific area is set aside for tests, scoring of schoolwork and art activities. Adequate parking is available and children are dropped off within the grounds. The school grounds are enclosed with an electric gate and access can only be obtained on request.

DESCRIPTION OF THE “SCHOOL OF TOMORROW” CONCEPT BASED ON ACCELERATED CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

A Unique Educational Approach

ACE Ministries’ comprehensive educational system is driven by dedicated individuals who motivate and support parents in their quest to help their children reach their maximum potential in school and in life.

For more than three decades, ACE has delivered a successful Christian-based international schooling system that provides a rewarding education alternative, relative to learners' needs. This programme utilises results-driven processes rather than conventionally applied time-focussed education curricula.

ACE recognises that each child has a unique learning style with God-given abilities and talents and has developed a learning approach that accommodates learners' individual capabilities.

The curriculum makes it possible for the learner to achieve their full academic potential. This is the foundation upon which future learning is built.

From preschool to grade 12, each learner discovers how to:

- set goals and meet deadlines
- develop critical-thinking skills
- think creatively and independently

The ACE programme covers the critical outcomes and minimum standards of the National Curriculum Statements (NCS) as prescribed by the Department of Education in South Africa. This includes Learner and Teacher Support Materials (LTSM's).

Individualised Learning

ACE provides curriculum materials in bite-sized, achievable work texts. These work texts, called PACEs, include self-instructional lessons and activities. Each level (grade) consists of 12 PACEs per subject. Learners begin a PACE by noting the goals, the concepts they will learn, a Bible verse and a corresponding character trait.

From the beginning of each PACE, the learners know what is expected and assumes the responsibility for their own learning. Explanations and full colour illustrations add excitement to each lesson, and innovative learning activities reinforce the text material.

Bible Based Material

The ACE programme instils moral values and Biblical principles in the life of each learner. Character traits such as honesty, kindness and loyalty are taught within the learner and teacher support materials. The learner observes Godly living in the Christian character illustrations and applies these lessons to their own lives. This character-training prepares the learner to deal with the joys and challenges of everyday life.

Teach them how to live, not just how to make a living!

"Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

HISTORY OF A.C.E. SCHOOLING SYSTEM

The concept of Accelerated Christian Education was started by Dr. Donald Howard in 1970 in Garland, Texas. Since then, ACE has spread to over 142 countries around the world with warehouses located in the USA, Australia, U.K., Canada, Philippines and South Africa.

The office located in Durban has been operating since 1988 and serves all schools using the ACE system in African & Scandinavian countries. Since its beginning, Accelerated Christian Education has launched over 3700 schools in total, of which over 750 schools and 1 200 home schools are currently active in South Africa. There are presently over 26 500 students in Africa/Scandinavia involved in this system.

This educational system has been widely accepted by universities and other academic institutions around the world and is registered with the local Departments of Education.

ACADEMIC SERVICES PROVIDED BY A.C.E MINISTRIES

One of the greatest life-skills of the ACE system is goal setting and completion. From as early as Grade 1 learners are taught how to set goals and effectively achieve them. A practical goal card is used to forward plan for each day and then strike off goals on completion. An academic projection is a high school plan of the course of study a learner will follow.

Together with the parents and teacher, the learner will project his majors and elective courses at the end of Grade 9. He will then set annual and quarterly goals so as to complete the projected courses through Grades 10 to 12.

SCHOOL METHODOLOGY

ACE offers a full learning system from Preschool to Grade 12. All learner and teacher support materials are self-instructional. The system covers the critical outcomes and minimum standards of the National Curriculum Statements as prescribed by the Department of Education in South Africa. The following concepts are incorporated into the ACE system:

- Diagnostic Testing and academic prescription per child.
- Mastery-based learning: frequent reviews in the material (i.e. 3 Checkups per PACE, Self Tests and PACE Tests) ensure that the learner learns all the necessary skills in a given subject before moving on to more advanced material.
- Goal Setting: A learner learns to set realistic goals on a daily and weekly basis. This becomes a life skill that is beneficial to a learner for the rest of his life. Learners take responsibility for the learning process.
- Bible Based Material: Biblical values, morals and character integrated into every module.

STAFF TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

The quality of a school using the ACE system is determined by the dedication and training of the staff members. Training in the use of the ACE system is provided for staff members at their respective levels of involvement in the school.

Administrators' Training for administrators, principals and pastors is conducted in Durban at the A.C.E. training centre.

Supervisors' Training for professional educators, who will fulfil the role of the teacher in the learning centre, is conducted in various regions by accredited ACE trainers.

Monitors' Training for paraprofessional teacher assistants and media centre personnel is conducted in various regions by accredited ACE trainers.

Staff also attend an annual ACE Educators Convention and various other suitable interventions during an academic year to ensure that we remain at the forefront of developments in the education discipline.

SCHOOL HOURS – AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES – SPORTS – ARTS & CULTURE

Parents are legally responsible for their children outside stipulated school operating hours. This applies whether their child is traveling to or from school and by whatsoever means, or if the child has already arrived at school before school hours.

School begins at 08:00 for all of our classes. The following are closing times:

Grade 1 - 13:00

Grade 2 – 7 - 13:30

Grade 8 – 12: 14:00

Fridays—All classes 13:00

We have a waiting class for Learners who have older siblings who finish school at a later time.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Aftercare service is open from after school to 17:30. Arrangements have to be made for collection later than closing time. An additional fee of R50 per 15 minutes for late collection will be charged to a parent's account for late collection, when prior arrangement was not made.

Homework is supervised at aftercare by a supervisor and children who do not have homework are supervised in a secure play area. Lunch is served after school and refreshments at around 15:30.

SPORTS, ARTS & CULTURE

All Learners are motivated to participate in a sport during each term. The school belongs to a sporting body (SACSSA) that coordinates our annual sporting calendar. An external sports academy, Mark Nair Sports Academy, conducts physical training once per week, as well as to coach the children in the sport of their choice.

A schedule of all sporting activities, including tournaments and practices, will be sent out to parents. In addition to this, all Learners are given an opportunity to participate in a sport. Sporting activities in which Learners are encouraged to compete are: swimming, soccer, netball, volleyball, athletics, tennis, chess, mini cricket and table tennis, of which some take place on school premises, and other at external institutions.

SPORT

Involvement in sport is a very important part of a child's development that is often neglected. The Academy is associated with the South African Christian Schools Sports Association (SACSSA), which is a vibrant organisation catering for Christian schools and home schools in the area of sport.

The school offers all the usual sporting activities, such as soccer, table tennis, volleyball, netball, tennis, swimming, athletics, etc. Arrangements can be made for archery lessons after school.

FIELD TRIPS, CAMPS AND MEETINGS

Quarterly fieldtrips are scheduled which includes an interesting educational or a fun activity for the students.

Quarterly parent meetings are held to enable parents and teachers to interact with each other. The parent meetings will give parents the opportunity to have their questions answered and receive academic assistance where needed. Parents will also be updated on any academic changes to the programme.

During our annual camp, parents and students once again have the opportunity to fellowship with each other for the weekend.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

The Academy renders the following additional services at a minimal fee:

- Computer Studies - R 75-00 per month
- Music – depends on music / instrument type. This will be arranged externally.

PRIZE GIVING

The Academy hosts an annual Prize Giving in the 4th quarter to reward students for their efforts during the year in academic, sport, cultural and spiritual areas. This is always a highlight of the year.

The criteria for the Academy prize giving is as follow:

Certificate	Criteria
Christian Character	Student should exhibit 2 prominent or outstanding Christian character traits.
Perfect Attendance	Student should be present for every day of schooling.
Reading Award	For Literature & Creative writing and other books (English/Afrikaans) – mention the no. of books read (Min. 9) including a list of titles and authors.
Spelling Award	For Word Building – mention no. of PACEs completed (Min. 9) and the average should be above 90%.
Principal's Honour Roll Award	Outstanding Academic performance – for completion of 75+ PACEs with an average of 90%.
100 PACE Club	Students should complete 100 or more PACEs in the space of 4 terms (i.e. from 1 Oct of the previous year to 30 Sep of the current year).
Clean Office Award	Student should consistently be very neat in PACE work and his/her workstation.
Sports Award	For outstanding performance in any sport – mention the sport and achievement, e.g. SACSSA, Convention.
Bible Memory Award (Medal)	For memorizing all PACE scriptures in a given year.
Bible Memory Award (Trophy)	For memorizing all PACE scriptures in a given year and at least 6 monthly scripture passages (12-18 verses depending on student's age). Submit list of passages memorized.

Golden Goal Chart	Neat Goal Chart
Penmanship Award	Neat handwriting

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