

Portrait of a CCA Graduate

This mission of Central Christian Academy is to partner with the Christian home and local church to educate and equip students to reach their full spiritual, academic, and physical potential in Jesus Christ.

The purpose of Central Christian Academy is to educate, train, and encourage its students to develop devoted hearts, renewed minds, and courageous souls through an intentional program of Christian schooling. The end goal is to develop graduates who embody this purpose in their daily lives. We recognize that fulfilling our mission and purpose is dependent upon God's grace in the lives of our faculty, staff, and students. Only God can accomplish this and all glory goes to God for any success in the lives of our students.

Our portrait of a graduate describes what our school desires to be the expected student outcomes of a successful CCA education. It is not designed to describe our graduates individually, but rather to profile outcomes that represent the target that CCA strives for as it carries out its missional work in the lives of our students.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

CCA graduates will know that the Bible is the only inspired Word of God and the final authority for knowledge and absolute truth. Graduates will have recognized their need for redemption and have placed their faith in Jesus Christ as the one and only means for their personal salvation. They have practiced the discipline of studying God's Word, prayer, and memorization of scripture in order to renew their mind and think biblically. Graduates will have studied many books of the Bible and understood the major themes of creation, fall, redemption, and restoration. They will have prepared and practiced presenting their testimony of faith in Jesus as part of learning how to share the gospel.

CCA graduates will understand the importance of giving and receiving forgiveness and know how to resolve conflict biblically. They have committed to participate in and respond to the Great Commission by being a witness for Christ both at home and abroad at some level. Graduates will understand and have practiced the command and blessing of giving, service, and sacrifice for the Lord. They have biblically aligned their worldview with regard to marriage, life, gender identity, and human sexuality. Our graduates have learned the blessing of being committed and involved in worship and service at their local church. They understand that their worth comes from being created in the image of God and have begun to identify their God-given gifts and how to use them for God's glory. CCA graduates will possess a courageous faith, defend the gospel, and stand for what is right in order to impact their family, church, and community.

ACADEMICS

Our goal is to produce graduates who have realized some of their God-given academic potential and skills. Our graduates will be able to think critically about a variety of subjects and make mature and resourceful decisions that honor God and serve others. They will be readers who can comprehend and analyze content in a variety of genres. They will be communicators who are able to convey important ideas to others through the written and spoken word. The graduate will know how to appropriately use technology effectively and ethically in a God-honoring framework. They will have a solid command of Scripture, mathematics, science, literature, and history and will appreciate music and art as a part of God's blessing on mankind. A CCA graduate has learned academic self-discipline through study and hard work and has prepared themselves for future education.

PHYSICAL LIFE

Our graduates will understand the proper stewardship and care of their bodies and value health and physical fitness as a means to enjoy life and perform ministry. They will have had opportunities to participate in competitive activities that have challenged them physically and have developed resilience and grit in their lives. Graduates have learned about sacrifice, teamwork, and good sportsmanship through individual and group effort. They have learned how to win and how to lose in a gracious and humble manner. They have a biblical perspective on the temporary value of physical fitness and accomplishment.

Our hope is that CCA graduates, like the apostle Paul, will continue to grow in these three areas so that they might say at the end of their lives, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy 4:7.

ASSESSMENTS & EVIDENCE: SPIRITUAL LIFE

- Our Bible department has come up with 100 verses of scripture that we believe are vital in the life of a Christ follower. These verses are being memorized throughout the program in grades K-12.
- Preparation and presentation of a testimony of faith in Christ is taught and practiced in 12th grade.
- CCA sponsors a stateside mission opportunity and an international missions trip every other year.
- CCA has a service requirement for all high school students. Each student will serve at least 20 volunteer hours.
- CCA holds a "Service Week" where students volunteer for local ministries to bless and serve in the name of Jesus.
- CCA requires partnership with the local church as part of our admission to the school and the school tracks church attendance through our annual fall survey.
- CCA offers the True Compass assessment as part of the high school Careers & Callings course. This assessment gives students the chance to complete an interest inventory, a values profile, and provides a custom list of best-fit majors and career paths that suit their God-given abilities and interests.
- CCA teaches Apologetics as a Bible course to all 7th grade and 10th grade students who learn how the Bible and Christianity answers the questions of life and the shortcomings of other religions.

ASSESSMENTS & EVIDENCE: ACADEMICS

- CCA requires all elementary students to participate in Read-A-Thon each year. Typically, HS students are required to read and analyze several hundred pages of content annually through their studies.
- CCA has made its high school speech class a graduation requirement starting with the 2025 graduating class. Our junior high ELA classes are double-blocked to emphasize writing, spelling, and public speaking. Our high school students will write 4 research papers during their four years of studies.
- Students from K-12 are exposed to five core subjects (math, science, history, language and Bible) as well as specials such as art, vocal music, band, and other electives at the secondary level.
- Academic rigor is required to be learned through homework, tests, and projects that are completed on a weekly basis.

ASSESSMENTS & EVIDENCE: PHYSICAL LIFE

- Students learn about health at all levels but are required to take a health class in high school.
- Starting in 5th grade, CCA students can compete in athletics. In junior high and high school students can compete in 12 varsity sports.
- CCA was awarded the Heart of America League sportsmanship award in 2025 showing that the school values the spiritual side of competitive athletics.