

Washtenaw Christian Academy 2008-2009 Profile

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Since 1976, Washtenaw Christian Academy (formerly Saline Christian School) has been serving residents within a 30 mile radius, with Bible-based education. Washtenaw Christian Academy is the only interdenominational, preschool through twelfth grade Christian school in Washtenaw County. Our new building is exceptional with its full-sized gym, library, cafeteria, music, technology and art rooms.

Preschool

We believe that young children learn best through play and hands-on activities, which are carefully selected for the developing preschooler. In the spring of 2005, our preschool became the first in the State of Michigan to receive the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) Accreditation. We are licensed by the State of Michigan and thereby are in compliance with state regulations for day care facilities.



Elementary

The WCA elementary program focuses on the spiritual, emotional, physical, social, and mental development of the child within the Biblical framework. Christian character development is taught in a nurturing and clear way. Children are taught the mental discipline that is essential in quality education. Computers, physical education, art, music and library are offered in addition to our core curriculum. Some of the Elementary class activities include the Science Fair, Speech Meet, the Spelling Bee and weekly Chapel.

Secondary: Seventh through Twelfth

Our secondary program is designed to guide the student in developing dependence upon God and accepting increased responsibilities. The course of study provides an enriched academic program. WCA students consistently score above the national average on standardized tests. Twenty-four (24) credits are required to graduate. We emphasize that God has a plan for each student, and that He will reveal that plan a step at a time to the individual who seeks to know it. Our academic counselor will give guidance to students and their families when choosing a traditional or college preparatory course of study. Further assistance is provided during the junior and senior years, as students explore educational and career opportunities that will follow graduation. Students have the opportunity to take the PLAN in 10th grade and the PSAT in 11th grade to prepare themselves for college entrance exams. The secondary students also participate in the Annual Fall Student Retreat. This is a time devoted to developing the character of Christ in each student and growing together as a body of believers.



College Admissions Test Scores

<u>ACT</u>	<u>Composite</u>
2005-2006	24
2006-2007	29
2007-2008	23

Number of Students Attending College

<u>Year</u>	<u>No. of Seniors</u>	<u>4-year</u>	<u>2-year/Trade</u>
2005-06	7	6	1
2006-07	8	7	1
2007-08	15	14	1

<u>SAT</u>	<u>Crit Rdng</u>	<u>Math</u>	<u>Writing</u>
2005-2006	640	610	590
2006-2007	675	615	620
2007-2008	572	530	540

Advanced Placement Testing Results

Percentage of Students that received qualifying scores

2005	AP English Literature	100%
2006	AP World History	100%
2006	AP English Literature	100%
2007	AP US History	70%
2008	AP English Literature	88%

New Graduation Requirements beginning for Class of 2011 (Students entering 9th grade in 2008-2009)

In March 2006 the Michigan Senate passed a bill requiring high school students to earn specific credits to graduate. Senate Bill 1124 will take effect for the class of 2011.

- 4 credits of Math (Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, including 1 credit in Sr. year)
 - 4 credits of English
 - 4 credits of Social Studies
 - 3 credits of Science (Biology and Physics or Chemistry, one additional science credit)
 - 4 credits of Bible
 - 4 Required Elective credits including:
 - 1 credit of Physical Education/Health (1/2 credit of each)
 - 1 credit of Fine Arts (Music, Art, Drama)
 - 1 credit of World Language (or equivalent anytime grades 7-12)
 - 1 credit of Computer Literacy
 - 1 Elective Credit of student's choice
- Total Credits: 24**

Graduates

Ninety to ninety-five percent of our alumni attend college. The following is a partial list of institutions our alumni have attended or are currently attending.

- University of Michigan
- Cornerstone University
- Spring Arbor University
- Calvin College
- Eastern Michigan University
- Michigan Aeronautics Institute
- Hillsdale
- Concordia University
- Crown College
- Albion College
- Grand Valley University
- Gordon College



Extra-Curricular Activities

- Girls' Basketball
- Boys' Basketball
- Girls' Volleyball
- Cheerleading
- Boys' Soccer
- Girl's Soccer
- Baseball
- Wrestling
- Drama
- Faith Sharing Groups
- National Beta Club
- Equestrian

