



ADMISSIONS & ENROLLMENT: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who is Langley Christian School for and what does the school do?

- LCS aims to enroll families with a strong desire that their children experience an independent Christian education as an alternative to secular, community public schools. We provide a dependable, high-quality education in a thriving Christian learning community committed to helping parents and caregivers equip their children to grow confidently in faith and find their God-given purpose in the world.

What do our parents say are the top reasons for enrolling at Langley Christian School?

- We provide a Bible-based education with a rich Christian curriculum. We are not just a “culturally Christian school.” Our Bible program aims to nurture students in six core learning attributes that teach them to Know God, Love Others and Live Purposefully.
- Our faculty and board directors are men and women who practice an authentic Christian faith and who are deeply committed to discipling and mentoring your child through deep relationships.
- Your family will be welcomed into an authentic, diverse and supportive community who generously support the mission of the school with their time, talent and resources.
- Our God-inspired mission and vision are guided by a strategic plan aimed at making this a great place to raise your family and prepare your child for a life of impact and purpose in the world.
- We have outstanding programs - academic, vocational/STEM, arts, athletics and service learning - designed to help your child discover their gifts and talents, and thrive as a unique learner made in the image of God. .
- Parents have a voice in the direction of their school. There are numerous ways to volunteer, provide input, give generously and participate in the governance of the school.
- We have smaller class sizes than other schools, and calm, safe learning environments where the focus is on teaching and learning the things your child needs to flourish and grow.

How do we apply for admissions? → [APPLY TODAY](#)

- Applying for LCS is easy. It will only take a few minutes to fill out our application form. Once completed it begins our process to assess whether there is room in our school and guide you through the process of enrollment.

Why should we book a tour? → [BOOK A TOUR](#)

- Booking a tour will give your family an opportunity to see the school, meet some staff and answer all the questions you have about the school.

Is there bussing available?

- LCS is an co-owner and co-operator of CCSTA (Combined Christian School Transportation Association) that provides cost-affordable before and after school bussing for independent schools in the Fraser Valley. We put students on four routes travelling east, west, south and north of the school.
- Contact operations@langleychristian.com for more information on bus routes. You can also visit the CCSTA website: <https://www.ccsta.net/>

How much does tuition cost?

- Tuition is more affordable than you might think. LCS is a group one funded school and receives 50% of the base funding grant that a student in the Langley School District receives, and so therefore are required to keep the per-student cost lower than the local school district.
- Government grants only cover educational costs, so capital and maintenance costs are generated through tuition and donations from our community.
- The after-tax calculation for tuition and fees are much lower than many people realize, and very affordable for families that value a strong, faith-based education.
- If you have any questions about the cost, tax implications, financial assistance or tuition, reach out to development@langleychristian.com

Do we receive a tax credit for tuition?

- LCS is a registered charitable society that provides religious education. Currently, families receive a charitable donation tax credit for almost the entire value of tuition payments.

Is there financial assistance available?

- LCS has a strong tuition assistance program for families who desire to attend the school and who can demonstrate a financial need to make it work for the circumstances of their family.
- It is important to our community that LCS enrolls students from diverse economic backgrounds and circumstances.

Aren't independent like LCS schools "elitist" schools for only "good students" and wealthy families?

- Since 1955, LCS has enrolled students from wide economic means. We are not a school for the wealthy only, and include in our community students who are indigenous, recent immigrants, children in care, refugees and students who are enrolled because their previous school was not a safe or welcoming space for them to live fully into the unique child God created them to be.
- Our students also represent a wide range of academic and hands-on talents, and we have the programs to support diverse students' interests and passions.

How can I trust there is good teaching at LCS?

- Our [Instructional Guidelines](#) serve as our "brand guarantee" that no matter who your child's teacher is, or what campus they attend, you can be assured that our staff are learning and growing together to make sure we meet a standard of excellence in teaching and learning.

Do LCS students get accepted to major universities? → [FIND OUT WHERE OUR 2023 GRADS ARE GOING](#)

- LCS provides a program that will well prepare your child to pursue whatever pathway God leads them to. Most of our graduates attend trades or vocational schools, or post-secondary university studies within 12 months of graduation. Many dozens of our alumni now fill important positions in all sectors of the local economy and community leadership in roles such as business owners, education, health care, finance and technology.

How well do LCS students achieve in academics?

- LCS students participate in a number of assessments, such as the PSAT. Our students achieve exceptional results in literacy and communication, and are continuing to make strides in

mathematics and science. Our highest achieving graduates are often within the top 5% of student achievement in Canada and are accepted at schools that recently include outstanding schools like the University of BC, Trinity Western University, University of Toronto, and Waterloo.

How big are class sizes at Langley Christian School?

- Our class sizes range between 16-18 students in early elementary, to approximately 24 students in intermediate and middle school. Our electives and academic courses in high school range from between 8 students to 28 students depending on the course.
- Our class sizes are well below the class size caps in the local public school district, and we make every effort to accommodate diverse students and provide a manageable balance of needs in each classroom.

Does Langley Christian School support students with diverse needs?

- LCS has a local reputation for outstanding learning support services led by a highly qualified and dedicated faculty. We invest significant resources in equipping all teachers with universal supports and strategies for the diversity of modern classrooms.
- LCS learning support teachers have lower caseloads than most schools so you can be assured your child's IEP is being managed and implemented by a qualified teacher working closely with the classroom teacher, youth care workers, counsellors, consultants and administration.

What programs does Langley Christian School excel at?

- LCS has a strong elementary **athletics program** and intramurals that provide recreation, fitness and physical literacy. It provides a strong grass roots foundation for our middle and high school Lightning Athletics program that produces student-athletes every year who go on to post-secondary athletics. Our volleyball, basketball, track and field, and soccer teams compete for regional and provincial titles nearly every year.
- LCS has a strong **STEM and vocational electives** program from elementary through high school, where students engage in learning with robotics, coding, aviation, trades technology and automotive. We have courses for both the minds-on and hands-on students.
- LCS has strong **performing arts** programs which include opportunities for graphic design, visual art, print shop, music and drama. Each year we produce major drama and musical productions which bring the entire community together and allow students to develop their talents and gifts.
- LCS invests considerable resources in creating opportunities for students to **learn through service** and to practice being the hands and feet of Jesus locally and globally. Through service, God changes us and teaches us to be more compassionate and generous as a community.

What does the school believe?

- The beliefs of the school community are outlined in the [Constitution and Bylaws](#) of the school, and in the Curricular position statements found in our [Curriculum Policy](#).
- All of our policies and procedures can be found on our website: <https://www.langleychristian.com/policies/>

Do you have other questions?

- We would love to hear from you! Send us an email to development@langleychristian.com

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