FIRST BAPTIST ACADEMY ADMISSIONS SCHOOL PROFILE 2023-2024

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Our mission is to partner with parents to develop students with Christian character and a biblical worldview, equipping them for life, learning, and leadership.

SCHOOL OVERVIEW

FBA is a private, college preparatory school established in 1996. All faculty are Christians and are certified by the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI). FBA emphasizes the development of a biblical worldview. Our 94 acre campus includes a library, cafeteria, NCAA sized gymnasium, athletic fields, three computer labs, band/choir studio, art studio, media room, student life center, two student resource labs, athletic center with weight room, three science labs and over 40 academic classrooms. FBA currently has just under 900 students enrolled in grades PreK3-12.

ACCREDITATION

FBA is accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) in grades PreK-12 and by the COGNIA (formally known as AdvancED) in grades K-12.

ADMISSIONS

The admissions process is designed to ensure a student's readiness, potential, and academic placement so that he or she might have a rewarding experience at FBA. We also desire to confirm compatibility in Christian values, philosophy, and essential beliefs between parents and the school so that a strong partnership is forged between the Christian home and the school. Admission to FBA is made by the collaborative efforts and professional judgement of the administrators and student services department. The following may be used, but is not limited to, help determine student readiness and confirm compatibility: previous grades & standardized testing results, admissions screening tests, previous conduct and attendance records, interview with parents and students, teacher referral survey, and observations made by faculty and staff during a students tour or shadow visit.

GPA CALCULATION

GPA's are calculated for high school students. Cumulative grade point average represents a mathematical average of the semester grades in all academic courses. Grade point averages are reported on the transcripts. Every high school student's weighted GPA is based on a 4 point grading scale. Semester grades represent earned credit and will be recorded on transcripts.

STANDARDIZED TESTING

Students in grades K5-9 annually take the IOWA assessments test. Sophomores will take the Pre-ACT and the PSAT/NMSQT. Juniors also take the PSAT/NMSQT. All students are encouraged to take the SAT and ACT several times during the junior and senior years.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS 24 CREDITS		NATIONAL MERIT
Bible	4 credits	Class of 2013
English	4 credits	1- National Achievement Scholar Class of 2015 1- National Merit Commended Scholar
Foreign Language	2 credits	
Mathematics	4 credits	Class of 2018 2- National Merit Commended Scholars
Sciences	3 credits	Class of 2019
Social Sciences	4 credits	1- National Merit Finalist
Fine Arts	1 credit	Class of 2020 1- National Merit Commended Scholar
HOPE	1 credit	1- National Merit Finalist
Electives	1 credit	Class of 2022 1- National Merit Commended Scholar 1- National Merit Finalist

CLASS OF 2022 GRADUATE STATISTICS

- 45 Number of graduates
- 95% College acceptance
- \$1.8 Million in earned scholarship
- 46% Receiving Bright Futures Scholarship
- 70% AP Percent of Exams with Scores of 3 or Higher
- 7,701.5 Community service hours
- 18 Number of different institutions this class will attend
- 38% Attending college/universities out of state

CLASS OF 2022 ACT & SAT Score Averages			
	ACT Composite	SAT (EBRW+Math)	
FBA	24.2	1154	
Collier County	19.5 (CO 2021)	967	

THE FIRST BAPTIST ACADEMY EXPERIENCE

THE PRESCHOOL ACADEMICS & ACTIVITIES

Every teacher in preschool has an aide in the classroom. K4 students take the same courses as grades K-5. PK3 students take Bible, Language Arts, Math & Writing. Various activities are enjoyed by the preschool students.

THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACADEMICS & ACTIVITIES

Students are taught the following core classes: Bible, Phonics, Reading, Vocabulary, Language, Spelling, Penmanship, Math, Creation Science, and Heritage Studies. Related Arts classes are also a part of the curriculum including art, technology, library, music, and PE. Many classes are STEAM integrated. Activities are numerous including but not limited to: Grandparents Day, Flowering the Cross , field trips, Field Day, and a manners program.

THE MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMICS & ACTIVITIES

In addition to the core classes, students can participate in unique classes including: forensics science, creative writing, Bible journaling, art, music, PE, and technology. Eighth graders can begin taking high school courses. Students can participate in class ministry projects, student government, field trips, and 15 athletic teams.

THE HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMICS & ACTIVITIES

Students have the opportunity to take college prep, honors, or AP classes. Students have grade level requirements unique to FBA which include 9th grade - Computer Literacy & H.O.P.E, 10th grade - Critical Thinking & Speech, 11th grade - ACT/SAT Prep Courses & Financial Literacy 12th grade - Career & College Connections. Students can participate in the following activities: Homecoming week, clubs, student government, field trips, senior retreat, senior trip, and pep rallies

ACADEMIC COMPETITIONS

Students may participate in various ACSI sponsored events which may include: science fair, creative writing, speech meet, math league, piano festival, art festival, and more.

ATHLETICS

The FBA Athletic Department's purpose is to use athletics as a platform for Christ and to develop our student-athletes to have strong Christian-character. We seek individual and team excellence in a competitive athletic arena, while reaching our community for Christ. We have 17 varsity teams, 3 JV teams, and 16 middle school teams.

CHAPEL

Every grade level participates in chapel. Chapel is weekly and includes worship and age appropriate topics. Spiritual Emphasis Week focuses on developing our students with a biblical worldview.

FINE ARTS

Our Visual and Performing Arts students excel through a variety of experiences; earning high commendation and invitations at the local, state, and national levels. The Theatre Department produces an annual spring musical, encompassing student participation from Kindergarten thru 12th grade.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The FBA student body has represented by various countries including, Albania, Bahamas, Brazil, Croatia, China, Ghana, Lithuania, Mexico, Norway, Netherlands, New Zealand, and Russia. Growing and developing this program provides an incredible opportunity for students to learn about living in a global society.

J-TERM CAREER PREP

High school students will attend alternative classes for a one week period earning a quarter credit in classes and trips like Acting 101, Intro Robotics, Future Physicians, Washington DC, and Guatemala. Juniors and Seniors have the opportunity to participate in an internship.

STUDENT CLUBS

Student can participate in clubs like student government, drone club, drama club, economics club, math club, NHS, speech & debate club and more.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES Maroon denotes matriculations

Abilene Christian University AIB College of Business Anderson University Andrews Adventist Un. Art Institute of Florida Asbury University Ashford University Auburn University Ave Maria University Barry University Baylor University

Belmont University

Berry College

Bethel University Boston College Boston University Bradley University Brescia University Butler University **Brevard College** Campbell University **Cedarville University** Cerritos College Champlain College **Charleston Southern** Universitv Clayton State University **Clearwater Christian** College **Clemson University** Coastal Carolina University **Colgate University Columbia University College of the Ozarks Concordia University** Chicago **Covenant College David & Elkins College Davidson College** DePaul University DeSales University Digital Media Arts College

Eastern Oregon University Elon University **Embry-Riddle** Aeronautical Univ. Evergreen State College **Flagler College Florida Atlantic** University Florida A & M Florida Gulf Coast University Florida Keys CC Florida Institute of Technology Florida International University Florida Polytechnic University

Florida Southern College Florida Southwestern College

Florida State University Fork Union Military Academy **Full Sail University** Furman University **Gardner-Webb University** Georgia Institute of Tech **Grove City College George Mason University** Grace College **Grand Canyon University Gulf Coast State College Heidelberg University** Hillsborough Comm. College High Point University Hillsong Intern. College **Hope College** Iowa Wesleyan University Indiana University Johnson & Wales University **Keiser College Kings College, NY** Kings College, PA Lake Sumter College Lee University LeTourneau University **Liberty University** Lincoln Memorial University **Lipscomb University** Louisiana State University Lynn University Malone University Manhattan College Marietta College Marshall University **Marguette University** Mary Baldwin University Marymount University Marywood University **Mercer University** Messiah College Miami Dade College Miami University (OH **Michigan State University** Millsaps College Minnesota State University-Moorhead **Mississippi College Mississippi State University Montreat College Mt. Union University New York University** Northland IC

Northwestern University Nova Southeastern University Oakwood University Oklahoma State Un. **Oral Roberts University Ohio State University** Ouachita Baptist University **Pace University** Palm Beach Atlantic Universitv Palm Bch. State College Pensacola Christian College **Portland State University Purdue University Quinnipiac University Rensselaer Polytechnic** Institute **Rhodes College Ripon College Rochester Institute of** Technology **Rollins College Rutgers University** St. Andrews University St. Leo University St. Petersburg College St. Thomas University Samford University Santa Fe College Savannah College of Art & Desian Seton Hall University Snead State College Southern Adventist Universitv Southern Methodist University Southeastern University Southern Wesleyan University Southwest Florida College St. Anselm College St. Johns University St. Louis College St. Norbert College Stanford University State College of Florida Stetson University Stony Brook University **Tallahassee CC Taylor University Texas Christian University** The Baptist College of FL The Citadel The College at Southeastern **Baptist Theological** Seminary **Thomas More College** Trevecca Nazarene University Truett McConnell College Union University **United States Military** Academy

University of Alabama University of Alabama At Birmingham University of Central Florida Burnett Honors

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