

Veritas Academy has implemented and follows a thorough admissions process to assist families who strongly desire a classical, Christian education with an emphasis on discipleship and parental involvement. We will accept and process applications for grade levels in which we have open seats and will follow the order and timeline described on the “Key Dates & Deadlines” insert. As you walk through this journey and discern your family’s needs for faith and learning, please remember that we are here to walk with you.

#### □ **STEP 1: OPEN HOUSE**

Attend an Open House to hear directly from school administrators, to receive an overview of the school’s model, academics and admissions process, and to tour classrooms.

*NOTE: At least one parent must attend an Open House to receive an application for admission, and both parents must attend an Open House and complete the required parental reading prior to attending a family interview.*

#### □ **STEP 2: REQUIRED READING**

The required **parent reading** will add to your understanding of our heart for discipleship and education, beginning with the Statements on Faith, Life & Conduct that are accessible on the school’s website. The books are available for purchase from the school office, at an Open House, and online; the Veritas Informational Packet is only available at an Open House. Please know that you may begin the required parent reading at any time; however, it must be completed by both parents prior to a family interview.

1. Veritas Statements on Faith, Life & Conduct (VeritasAcademy.net > About > What We Believe)
2. *An Introduction to Classical Education, A Guide for Parents* by Christopher A. Perrin, M.Div., Ph.D. (purchased online or at Veritas)
3. *Free to Parent* by Ellen Schuknecht and Erin MacPherson (purchased online or at Veritas)
4. Veritas Informational Packet (received at Veritas Open House)

The required **student reading** is for all students applying to enter grades 8-12 and is a very practical overview of what makes a Classical Christian school and education different from other schools. The pamphlet is available at an Open House and must be completed prior to a family interview.

1. *So Your Parents are Thinking of Sending You to a Classical Christian School* by Joshua Gibbs (received at Veritas Open House)

#### □ **STEP 3: ONLINE APPLICATION**

After attending an Open House and prayerfully considering the best school environment for your family, a New Student Application needs to be submitted for each child applying to Veritas Academy. The nonrefundable application fee is \$200 for the first child and \$100 for each additional child.

*NOTE: Applications submitted without parental attendance at an Open House will not be processed.*

#### □ **STEP 4: FAMILY INTERVIEW**

Following the submission of an application, you will be invited to schedule a family interview. The family interview provides important time for you to ask questions and for us to get to know one another better while discussing the compatibility of your family’s goals with the school’s methods and philosophy. The applicant(s) and both parents are required to be in attendance, but your whole family is welcome to attend the interview.

*NOTE: Family Interviews are generally 45 minutes long and are scheduled during the school day. Depending on when your application is received, your family interview may be before or after placement testing.*

#### □ **STEP 5: PLACEMENT TESTING & SL/R SHADOW DAY**

Students applying for Kindergarten will participate in a readiness screening while students in grades 1-12 will complete Placement Testing, with those applying for grades 5-12 also participating in a Shadow Day. Testing is held on select weekdays at Veritas Academy, and results help guide the placement and/or admission of students. In some cases, an academic meeting may be scheduled to review testing results.

#### □ **STEP 6: ADMISSIONS DECISION/ENROLLMENT**

Admissions decisions will be communicated after all prior steps of the admissions process have been completed and on a rolling basis for the grade levels in which we have open seats. Following an acceptance offer, you will receive further instructions on school enrollment, course requests, and tuition (including tuition assistance, if desired). Enrollment reserves your seat at Veritas Academy and includes payment of annual fees. Course Requests allow you the opportunity to select optional courses, electives, and sports when applicable. Tuition payment will begin shortly thereafter and can either be paid in full or in 11 monthly payments via FACTS (generally April-Feb).

#### □ **STEP 7: PAIDEIA WEEK**

The parent serving as the primary Co-Teacher will need to participate in our annual summer training designed to equip all teachers in their role at Veritas Academy. All new students will also attend portions of the week.