



COLE VALLEY
CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

MISSION

Partnering with Christian families to shepherd and challenge students toward their individual potential to impact the world for Jesus Christ.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENT

The admissions policy requiring one parent to be a Christian encourages a Christ-centered partnership between parents and school.

ACCREDITATION

CVCS is accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), the Northwest Accreditation Commission (NWAC), and AdvancED.

FACULTY

Our elementary campus is supported by a dedicated team of 71 faculty and staff members. Class sizes are designed to provide individualized attention, ranging from 22 students per class in kindergarten and 1st grade (each with a teacher and an aide) to 24 students per class in 2nd through 5th grade. All our teachers hold ACSI and/or state certification, ensuring a high standard of academic and spiritual instruction.

TESTING

All students in grades 1-5 participate in the STAR assessment, a nationally normed evaluation tool that measures student performance and growth. Our students consistently perform above national norms, reflecting our dedication and our commitment to academic excellence.

CVCS School Code – 130045



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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROFILE

Cole Valley Christian Schools (CVCS) is an Early Childhood Education through 12th-grade private, Christian school with just over 1,300 students on two campuses. The elementary campus includes an Early Childhood building with a little over 100 students and serves up to 560 students in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade. Founded in 1972, the CVCS student body represents over 50 churches from throughout the Treasure Valley.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Our Early Childhood program offers varied schedules to meet the needs of families, providing flexible options for preschool and pre-kindergarten students. The program includes a robust academic curriculum grounded in Biblical truth, with a strong focus on building social, emotional, and relational skills. Through a multisensory learning environment, children discover that God made them, loves them, and desires to be their best friend forever.

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At the elementary level, CVCS follows a team-teaching model, with specialty teachers for language arts and math. Each student has a homeroom teacher who instructs either language arts or math, as well as history, Bible, and social-emotional learning through our Friendly curriculum. During the day, homerooms rotate to a partner teacher for the remaining core subject, ensuring students receive specialized instruction in both language arts and math while fostering a collaborative learning environment. Science is brought to life by a STEM teacher who engages each class weekly, offering hands-on, experiential learning in every homeroom. Additionally, students attend four specials classes—art, music, PE, and computer—providing a balanced education that supports academic growth, creativity, and physical development.

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

We understand the needs of working families and offer a Before and After School Care program to provide safe, supervised care for students outside of regular school hours.

AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Our after-school enrichment classes offer students a variety of engaging opportunities to explore new interests and develop skills beyond the regular curriculum. From arts and sports to sign language and more, there's something for everyone! Classes rotate every eight weeks, ensuring fresh and exciting experiences throughout the year.

ROBUST COMMUNITY ATMOSPHERE

We pride ourselves on fostering a vibrant and supportive community with abundant opportunities for parent engagement. Whether through volunteering, attending events, or participating in our PTF, there are countless ways to connect, contribute, and build meaningful relationships within our school family.



K-5TH GRADE CURRICULUM

At Cole Valley Christian Schools, our K-5th grade curriculum is designed to provide a well-rounded education that integrates faith and academic excellence across core subjects and beyond.

BIBLE:

Using curriculum from Christian Schools International, students engage in a comprehensive study of the Old and New Testaments. Lessons are designed to provide a solid foundation in Biblical knowledge while also challenging students to apply Biblical truths in their daily lives, fostering a personal and practical faith.

MATH:

Our math curriculum follows the Singapore approach, a research-backed method that emphasizes conceptual understanding through hands-on, visual learning before progressing to abstract concepts. This approach encourages students to develop a strong number sense and problem-solving skills by focusing on understanding the “why” behind mathematical operations, not just memorization of procedures.

LANGUAGE ARTS:

The Collaborative Classroom model shapes our language arts instruction, prioritizing the development of literacy skills through interactive and discussion-based learning. This approach emphasizes reading comprehension, writing, and social-emotional learning, helping students to become confident readers and effective communicators. Students are encouraged to think critically, express ideas, and build respectful relationships through structured conversations.

HISTORY:

Our history curriculum draws from various resources that help students see the connections between historical events and the Biblical narrative. Students explore how God has worked throughout time, helping them to understand the past in light of their faith and see God’s hand in history.

SCIENCE:

In science, students engage in a hands-on learning lab that brings the wonders of God’s creation to life. Through the use of various resources, students experiment, explore, and learn about topics ranging from life sciences to earth and space, seeing the intricate design and creativity of God in every aspect of the natural world.

FRIENDZY:

As part of our commitment to holistic education, CVCS incorporates Friendzy, a Biblically-based social-emotional curriculum with a school-wide, monthly focus. Each month, all grades work on the same core concept, fostering unity and shared learning across our student body. These monthly themes are further reinforced during our weekly chapel services, where students explore these topics through a Biblical lens, helping them build Christ-centered relationships and develop positive emotional habits. Through Friendzy, students learn essential skills like empathy, resilience, and conflict resolution, all rooted in Biblical principles that guide them in developing meaningful, God-honoring relationships.

