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Dear Parent,

Hudson View Christian Academy began in 1980 as a ministry of Hudson View Baptist Church to educate and disciple students so that they might become effective servants for the Lord Jesus Christ. The school has students in K3 through 12th grade. We have a faculty and staff that consists of Bible-believing, born-again servants. Our school is located just one block west of North Broadway near the Shonnard light in Yonkers.

## ACADEMY PHILOSOPHY

Our mission statement explains our purpose: “To assist parents in training and equipping Christian young people for a life of service to God.” The basis of our philosophy involves the inter-relationship of three institutions - the home, the church, and the academy - working together.

At Hudson View Christian Academy, it is our firm conviction that proper training first begins in the home. The home was the first institution God set on earth, and it is there where the child first learns set patterns of behavior. Each child learns to respond to discipline and authority as he reacts to the controls and guidelines of the father and mother. There they also learn how to respond to other individuals either by playing with other children in their family or with those who live nearby. So, it is in the home where the child first learns a value system of right and wrong. When children are taught proper discipline and respect in the early years at home, they are then ready to be educated and to develop the skills necessary for them to face life successfully.

Second, it is our conviction that God has also instituted His church for fellowship, evangelism, and discipleship in doctrinal and moral purity as outlined by the Bible. We believe that Christian children must be taught respect for God, His Word, His Church, and the Biblical principles of His Word. We teach Biblical principles because we believe that the Bible is the sole authority for faith and practice. A few examples of the Biblical principles we teach are as follows:

- God has always existed, will always exist, and has all knowledge and truth.
- God created the heavens and the earth and all plants and animals that live upon the earth in six literal days.
- God created man in His own image; and man, through disobedience, sinned against God.
- All men (children included) by nature are sinners and disobey God’s will.
- In order to have forgiveness and freedom from the penalty of sin, it is necessary for each of us to have a personal relationship with God. This is obtained when one realizes he is a sinner and repents of his sin. Then, he must trust Christ, the sinless Son of God who died on the cross to pay for our sins, as his Savior - our only hope of redemption.
- A Christian should live at peace with his fellow man and love his neighbor as himself as governed by the Word of God under the authority of the local Church.
- A child should honor his father and mother and all those in authority.

Third, it is our conviction that a Christian school should be an institution set up by believers for the discipleship, education, and training of children. A Christian school should provide both an environment and curriculum conducive to effective learning. We believe that as a Christian academy it is our responsibility to build Christian character in our students. We are a Christian academy and, as such, we are diametrically opposed to a progressive-open concept of education. We do not consider our children to be miniature adults, but children who need to be directed in right ways. We believe that it is a natural need of children to be disciplined and corrected and that they need well-defined boundaries governing their behavior. We expect our students to be honest and to exercise personal initiative in the classroom and with homework. Every student must show respect and must obey in attitude and action all rules which are set forth in our Parent/Student Handbook.



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## ACADEMICS

Our teachers and students use primarily the A Beka Book curriculum. Our overall yearly achievement testing reflects almost a grade and a half above the national average for each class. In addition, our achievement scores place us in the top 20% of all schools nationally and in the top third of Christian schools. All of our recent graduates have gone on to college, with many of them attending Christian colleges so that they may continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

## SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS

All students have a weekly chapel which sometimes features guest speakers from around the country. In addition, we have a Bible curriculum that is taught in each grade. All subjects taught are from a Biblical standpoint and highlight a Christian perspective. During the Christmas holidays, we have a Christmas Program in which all students participate.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Field trips are offered as part of the student's education and require written parental permission. We have trips to local museums, libraries, and other sites of educational interest. Occasionally there may be a trip to Albany for the older students to participate in "Legislative Day" at our State Capitol. Every year we compete in the American Association of Christian School's Academic, Bible and Fine Arts Competition for New York State with winners participating at National Competition. Older students can participate in the yearbook productions as well.

Students from the 5th through 12th grades have organized physical education classes throughout the year. Weather permitting, all classes have teacher-supervised use of the playground facilities during their break times.

## CHURCH ATTENDANCE POLICY

Hudson View Christian Academy believes that church attendance is a requirement of the New Testament Christian because it is necessary for and complimentary to Godly living. We therefore require all students and at least one of their parents to attend, at minimum, one Sunday preaching service per week in their local Bible-believing church.

## BUS SERVICE

Hudson View Christian Academy does not provide bus service; however, some Westchester County Municipalities provide bus service to Westchester residents regardless of school affiliation. Please contact your local board of education for further information. Keep in mind that deadlines for the non-public school transportation are generally in early spring. Parents must inform the academy office of transportation arrangements.

## STUDENT CONDUCT

All new students are admitted to the academy on a probationary basis for the first six weeks of the school year. Our academy is not a corrective institution. Consequently, we ask that you do not enroll your child with the idea that we will reform him or her. We are here to work with the home.

Students must always conduct themselves in a manner becoming a Christian gentleman and lady. Students in 7th grade and above and all parents are required to read and complete an agreement form which states that they each agree to abide by our rules and policies as outlined in our School Handbook. Students and parents are expected to personally adhere to the academy's philosophy and Christ-centered program. Unchristian actions such as acts of immorality, profanity, gambling, lying, cheating, stealing, etc. will not be tolerated while enrolled at Hudson



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View Christian Academy. High school students are asked to set good examples before the younger students.

## DRESS AND GROOMING CODE

We expect all of our students to be well groomed. School uniforms are available for purchase at Ludel's Uniforms, Cookies, and various other locations. Some of our guidelines for dress and grooming are as follows:

- Boys: Hair must be neatly trimmed so that it does not cover the ears or eyebrows or go over the shirt collar. Styles must be acceptable by our standard. No ponytails, no "faddish" haircuts like "bowl" cuts, "sculptured" cuts or "greased spike" cuts are permitted. No dyed or streaked hair is allowed. Earrings, nose rings, neck chains, and tattoos/brands are not allowed (no body piercing of any kind.)
- Girls: Jewelry is to be simple. Make-up for our high school young ladies should be minimal. No nose rings or tattoos/brands are allowed. No body piercing of any kind (except one piercing in each ear lobe) is permitted. Tight or clinging clothing is prohibited during all school activities. All clothing should be "loose-fitting." Skirts should cover the knee, and the neck depth of a young lady's buttoned blouse should be no lower than three finger widths below the collar bone.

## PROCESS FOR ENROLLMENT

The following requirements must be met before acceptance:

- A completed Application Form, Religious Survey, Pastor's Recommendation, and a non-refundable \$25 Application Fee submitted. At least one parent must be a born-again believer in the Lord Jesus Christ and regularly attend along with the student a Bible-believing, Bible-preaching church
- Parent and student interview with administration. Please bring a copy of your child's latest report card.
- Diagnostic testing to assure the academy's ability to meet the need of the student (as needed)
- Approval by the School Board
- After the child has been accepted, a non-refundable Registration Fee should be submitted along with a completed Parent/Student Agreement form.
- Following registration, school records, medical records, immunization records, and our completed Medical History form should be submitted.

Hudson View Christian Academy has a racially nondiscriminatory policy and, therefore, shall not discriminate against applicants, students, and others on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin. Hudson View Baptist Church and Christian Academy stands opposed to the doctrinal errors of cults, non-separatist Christianity, and the Charismatic movement.