



Hickory Christian

ACADEMY

High School Profile

Administration

Tracy Robinson, Headmaster
 Renea Featherstone, Guidance Counselor

School

- Established in 1995
- First Graduating Class: 2006
- Enrollment: 90; Class Size Limit: 21
- Teacher/Student Ratio: 1 to 10
- Teachers with Degrees: 100%
- Calendar: 178 days, 7 period schedule
- Graduates at four-year college: 98%
- High School Code: 341814
- Affordable tuition; Over \$100,000 need-based scholarships given annually

Purpose

Hickory Christian Academy exists to support Christian families in preparing their children to reach their maximum academic potential while equipping them to love the Lord, walk in His ways, and obey His commands according to Scripture.

7-Point Grading Scale

Letter	%	GPA
A	95-100	4.0
A-	93-94	3.7
B+	91-92	3.3
B	87-90	3.0
B-	85-86	2.7
C+	83-84	2.3
C	79-82	2.0
C-	77-78	1.7
D+	75-76	1.3
D	72-74	1.0
D-	70-71	0.7
F	below 70	0.0

GPA

GPA is on a 4.0 scale and is weighted. It is computed by semester throughout high school. Honors courses are weighted with an additional 1.0 quality point and AP courses are weighted with an additional 2.0 quality point.

Curriculum

Hickory Christian Academy is a Classical Christian school which educates its students in a historic Christian worldview through a demanding and thorough classical curriculum based on the Trivium. It is not an elite school, but rather one which takes ordinary students and provides them with an extraordinary education.

It is HCA's desire to provide a quality education that challenges our students to stretch themselves academically. With this in mind, we currently offer many rigorous courses which are beyond our standard graduation requirement. These courses are designated "Honors Level" because of the breadth and depth of the material covered. Honors classes frequently use a college level textbook and are taught at a college level pace. In fact, several of our honors classes use the same textbook currently being used in AP classes at the local public high school.

With the start of the 2009-2010 school year, HCA will offer its first AP class to 11th and 12th graders – AP English Language. It is our plan to expand our AP offerings over the course of the next five years.

Minimum Graduation Requirements

	Credits:
English	4.0
Math	4.0
Science	3.0
Social Studies	3.0
Foreign Language	2.0
Theology	2.0
Rhetoric	1.0
Fine Arts	1.0
*Health and P.E.	1.0
<u>Electives</u>	<u>2.0</u>
Total Required	23.0 credits

*Participation on a school sport team counts as 0.5 PE credit

SAT Average	2007	2008	2009
Critical Reading	590	610	612
Math	560	620	621
Writing	605	614	607
Essay	07	08	08

ACT Average	2007	2008	2009
English	27	30	29
Math	21	27	27
Reading	24	28	28
Science	23	25	23
Writing	27	27	26
Composite	24	27	27

College Acceptances:

Appalachian State University, Auburn University, Clemson University, East Carolina University, Elon University, Erskine College, Furman University, Gardner-Webb University, High Point University, Johnson & Wales University, Lees-McRae College, LeTourneau University, Lenoir-Rhyne University, Liberty University, Mars Hill College, Montreat College, North Carolina State University, North Greenville University, Ouachita Baptist University, Pensacola Christian College, Pittsburg State University, Quinnipiac University, Radford University, Sewanee University, United States Military Academy at West Point, University of Mississippi, University of Mobile, University of South Carolina, University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill, University of North Carolina – Charlotte, University of North Carolina – Greensboro, Wake Forest University, Western Carolina, Wheaton College, and Wofford College

Class Rank

While students are ranked at HCA, the admissions process is selective. Cognitive and academic achievement levels are assessed prior to admission.

Courses Offered

- **Mathematics** (1 credit/class): Algebra I, Geometry, Honors Geometry, Algebra II, Honors Algebra II, Math Application, Trigonometry, Honors Trigonometry, Honors Calculus
- **English Literature** (1 credit/class): World Literature, Honors World Literature, American Literature, Honors American Literature, British Literature, Honors British Literature, AP English Language
- **Rhetoric** (½ credit/class): Rhetoric I: includes Jr. Thesis and oral presentation, Rhetoric II: includes Sr. Thesis and oral presentation
- **Social Studies** (1 credit/class): World History, US History, Civics and Economics, American Government
- **Science** (1 credit/class): Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Honors Physics, Honors Anatomy
- **Foreign Language** (1 credit/class): Spanish I, Spanish II, Honors Spanish III
- **Bible** (½ credit/class): Theology I, Theology II, Theology III, Theology IV
- **Academic Electives:** Honors Psychology (1 credit), Honors Sociology (1 credit), Honors Spanish III (1 credit), Honors Philosophy (½ credit), Family Life Skills (½ credit), SAT Prep (½ credit), Health and PE (½ credit), Fitness and Nutrition (½ credit), Introduction to Art (½ credit), Advanced Art (½ credit/class), Chorus (½ credit/class), Drama (½ credit/class), Yearbook (1 credit/class)
- **Athletics:** Boys Varsity Soccer, Girls Varsity Soccer, Girls Varsity Volleyball, Boys Varsity Basketball, Girls Varsity Basketball, Boys Varsity Golf, Girls Varsity Cheerleading, Co-ed Cross Country Track

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