

Admissions & Enrollment FAQ

The Application Process

Does it matter when I apply?

Applicants for the full-time campus and hybrid programs may apply during the application acceptance period prior to the student's entrance school year. *Admission is not first-come, first-served*. All applications received by the deadline will be treated the same, according to the school's admissions priorities and space availability.

Umbrella and Remote Learning program applicants may apply year-round, and enrollment opportunities take place at the beginning of each quarter.

What if I miss the enrollment deadline?

Once enrollment has closed, there will be a waiting list. To be placed on the waiting list, the full application for enrollment, all required paperwork, and processing fees must be submitted. You will then receive confirmation that you have been placed on the waiting list, and a school administrator will contact you if more application evaluations take place.

What is the enrollment process?

The full application available on the Academy's website, including interview videos and the application fee must be submitted by March 31st. Applicants will be notified once their full application is received. School administration and the admissions committee will review all applicants and determine those who are invited to move forward in the process, which may include a family interview and student assessment test.

Who decides which students will be accepted to your school?

Acceptance of students is based on application, interviews, availability of space, and the discernment of the Lord through a select group of leadership (Acts 15:28 - "For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us..."). In any case, the administration does its best to accommodate all interested students and families, however we want to make sure that we are capable of maintaining our mission and vision for the education of all children enrolled.

When should I expect to hear back once my application has been submitted?

Interviews will be held throughout the spring prior to the entrance school year. Acceptance letters and letters of decline will be mailed starting in April each year.

Is priority given to incoming siblings of current Academy students?

Kindergarten applicants with an older sibling enrolled at the Academy *do not* receive priority for admission. Any siblings of current students must complete the full enrollment process and be approved by the school administration and admissions committee for acceptance.

What happens after I get my acceptance letter?

The acceptance letter will instruct you to submit a fee to confirm your acceptance offer from the Academy. If you do not submit your fee to secure your child's spot by the given deadline, your child's seat will be forfeited. Once the fee is received, an administrator will contact the family to prepare for the upcoming school year.

Application Components

Please have the following prepared BEFORE beginning the online application. You will be asked to upload all paperwork and interview videos to the online application.

Section 1: Basic Family Info

Section 2: Paperwork

- Copy of Child's Shot Records OR Immunization Exemption Letter (.pdf)
- · Copy of Child's Birth Certificate (.pdf)
- Most recent report card or transcript (7th-12th applicants only; .pdf)

Section 3: Referral Letters

- Each applicant must submit TWO letters of recommendation in order to be considered for enrollment.
 - Letter #1 from a pastor or spiritual mentor (.pdf)
 - Letter #2 from a family friend (.pdf)

Section 4: Parent & Child Video Interviews

The final part of the application process is a video interview. Please use the 3 questions below, respective to the ages of your children, for the interview.

Please video record their answers. Feel free to practice prior to recording and submitting to ensure the video is clearly communicated. *Interviews should be no longer than 2 minutes in total (not 2 minutes per question)*.

In addition to recording your children, we would also like to hear from you, the parents! We have also posed 3 questions for you and your spouse to answer together. Please keep this video between 2-3 minutes as well.

Interview Questions for Students

Incoming ages 5-8 years old:

- 1. What's your favorite part about school and why?
- 2. What do you like to do at home or with your siblings?
- 3. Question of parents' choice (this question should help us get to know your child better)

Incoming ages 9-11 years old:

- 1. What's your favorite part about school and why? (whatever schooling your child has had, please have them answer in response to those experiences)
- 2. What are 3 words you would use to describe yourself? Which of those 3 words is the thing you like best about yourself? 3. Question of parents' choice (this question should help us get to know your child better)

Incoming Jr High (12-13 yrs old):

- 1. What is something you love learning about and why does it interest you so much?
- 2. Please finish this statement: Faith in God is important to me because... or I love God because...
- 3. If you had 1 hour to yourself, to do whatever you wanted, what would you do?

Incoming High (14+ yrs old):

- 1. What is something you love learning about and why does it interest you so much?
- 2. Please finish this statement: Faith in God is important to me because... or I love God because...
- 3. What is a strength or a gifting you have, that you use to serve others in your day to day life? Ex. Encouragement I like to write encouraging notes to my friends when I notice that they are having a hard time.

Interview Questions for Parents

- 1. Why do you think The Academy for GOD is a good fit for you and your child(ren)?
- 2. What is the best way you could describe your family's faith to us? The Academy for GOD is a private school that holistically educates children to become responsible, kind and ethical neighbors. Developing a moral ethic derived from God's word is a primary objective. We are attempting to raise children for God. Do your faith beliefs align with these goals?
- 3. What do you know about GOD Int'l as an organization? The Academy for GOD is the primary and secondary schooling for the Institute for GOD, that is under the umbrella of G.O.D. International. They are involved in training missionaries to help educate and provide sustainable living environments for those in developing countries. Are you aware of this? If so, how does that affect your choice to attend? If not, would you like to know more about what we do?

Questions regarding the application process may be emailed to admissions@academyforgod.org.