

Reaching Higher

ENGAGING HEARTS & MINDS



WESTMINSTER CHRISTIAN ACADEMY



We inspire students to *reach higher.*

Welcome to Our House

We are a community committed to the truth of God's Word. We love the Lord, value learning, and find joy in our work in God's Kingdom. In an ever-changing world, our foundation in the truth unites us and makes Westminster a second home.

Our H.O.U.S.E. is much more than bricks and mortar. It exemplifies who we are, what we stand for, and how we behave as members of a community that reaches far beyond our walls. Our H.O.U.S.E. represents five key principles:

Honor Christ: Christ is the foundation of our house. We honor Him by using the gifts He has given us and following His example of servant leadership.

Own the Outcome: What you do affects those around you — we're in this together.

Unite in Gratitude: We focus on the blessings God has given us every day.

Set the Example: You are powerful, and your actions matter. Honor the Lord by loving yourself, this building, this campus, and this community.

Empower Each Other: Respect and honor those around you. Lift up yourself and your peers through your manners and your actions.

A Christian school is not a place where a few elements, such as prayer, chapel services, and Bible classes merely complement an otherwise secular education. Genuine Christian education integrates biblical truth into every aspect of school life and prepares students for effective lives of service in God's Kingdom.

Students in grades 7–12 learn that “all truth is God's truth,” and we challenge them to live out their faith in their relationships, character, and service for others. A Westminster education prepares your child for more than college and career — it equips them to engage the world for Christ. Welcome home!

Founded In
1976

Serving
Grades
7–12

940
Current
Students

26%
Are
Students
of Color

Visit us
online at
wcastl.org

4,848
Alumni

Mission

Westminster Christian Academy honors Jesus Christ by providing an excellent education, rooted in biblical truth as interpreted by the Westminster Confession of Faith, for the children of Christian parents.

Faculty and staff enable students to discover and embrace a biblical view of the world and integrate that view into every area of life.

Vision

Prepare and equip more young men and women to engage the world and change it for Jesus Christ.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

GRADES 7-8

Through Westminster's middle school program, students learn to be connected, collaborative, and resourceful in a 21st-century context.

Students are equipped with the tools they need to succeed academically in the upper school as they expand their understanding of the Gospel, develop biblical character, and forge meaningful relationships with their peers and with Christ.

At Westminster, we challenge our middle school students to grow into the young men and women God intended for them to become.



UPPER SCHOOL

GRADES 9-12

Westminster's upper school programs and practices emphasize our commitment to reaching higher in all aspects of life. Academically, we challenge ourselves to think critically and make connections across disciplines. Relationally, we focus on the importance of being honest while confronting the truth in each other's lives. In all things, we want to honor God and seek a personal relationship with Him.

Embark on an education grounded in biblical truth



Discover. Embrace. Integrate.



At Westminster, our faculty builds relationships with students that are based on mutual trust and respect and are nurtured through encouragement and support. Students feel confident in taking risks, engaging in candid conversations, and embracing success and failure as a means for growth.

We believe we have a responsibility to integrate a biblical worldview into every aspect of school life — including our college preparatory curriculum. Through our lessons, we teach students to problem solve and think critically by asking them to wrestle with complex concepts and make connections across disciplines.

96

Total Faculty

12:1

Student/Faculty Ratio

20

AP Courses

68%

of Faculty
Hold Advanced
Degrees

16

Average
Class Size

74%

of Students
Scored 3+
on AP Tests

Academic Support

Westminster is committed to helping students grow intellectually and achieve academic success. We offer a variety of academic programs to help them reach their full potential, including Academic Advisory, Academic Connect (Middle School), Flourish, and the Math Center.

The Gifted Program

Westminster's gifted program supports the educational and social-emotional needs of families with gifted students. Through the program, students develop an understanding of their learning profile and social-emotional needs from a biblical perspective while confidently managing their academic coursework.

Special Services

The Special Services Program at Westminster supports the educational needs of families of students with diagnosed disabilities. Special Services teachers seek to enhance academic success and help students understand their learning profile well enough to confidently compensate and advocate according to their needs.



Class of 2022

94% **Four-Year Colleges** 2% **Two-Year Colleges**

4% **Military & Other**

ACT Data

176 **Students Tested** 32 **Average of Top 25%**

Scholarships

\$25.4 M **Total Scholarships Earned**

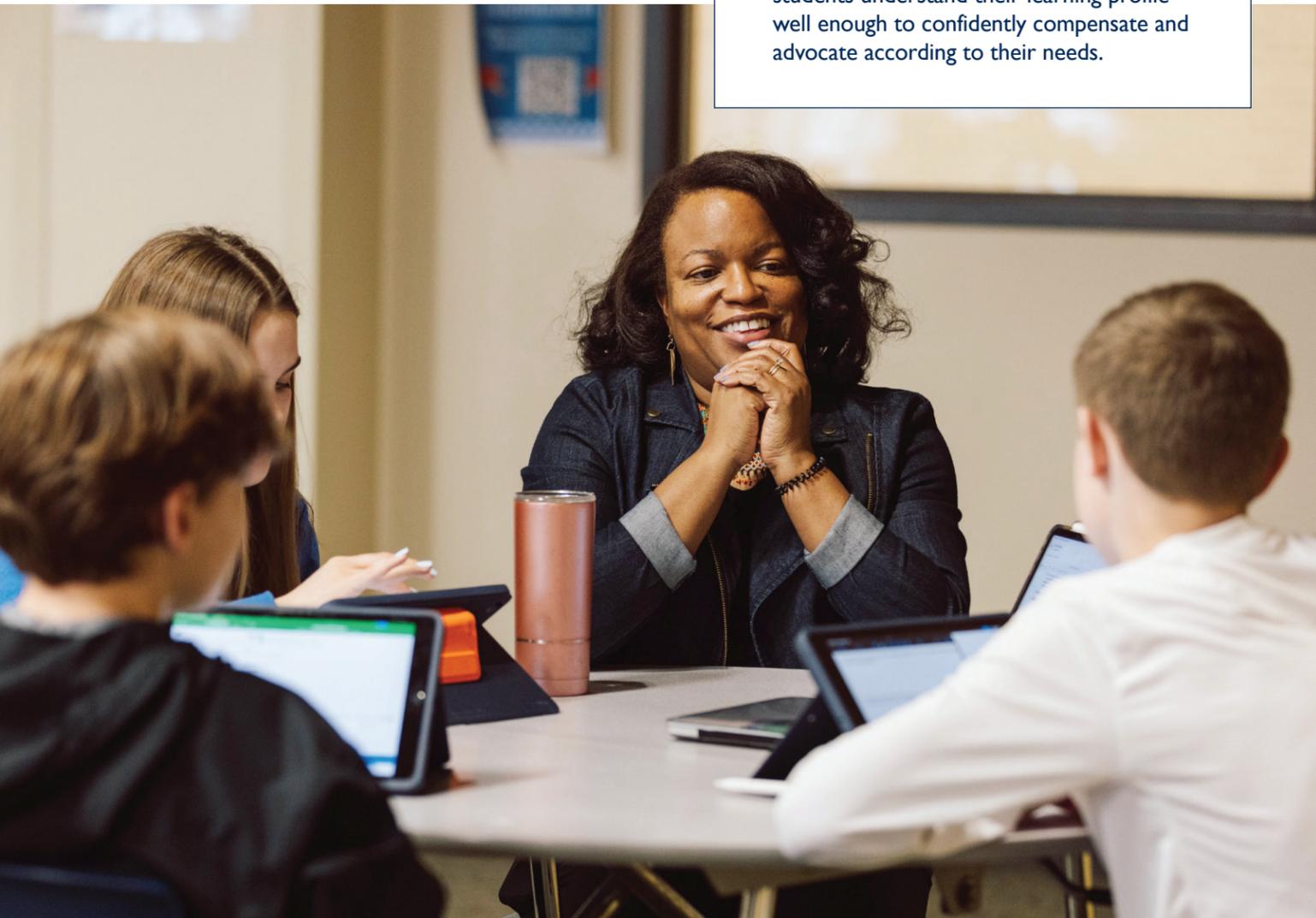
\$142,243 **Average Offered Per Senior**

7,000 **Hours Spent Serving the Community**

4 **National Merit Commended Scholars**

College & Career Counseling

With the increasingly competitive world of college admissions, Westminster recognizes the importance of equipping students with the knowledge and tools they need to be successful in both college and career. This is why college guidance begins early at Westminster. Our college and career counselors prioritize getting to know students' families so they can properly guide students through the college selection process to find the best academic, spiritual, and social fit.





WE ARE THE WILDCATS

PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY

Our priority is for our teams and athletes to honor God and convey a positive witness to those around them. While we strive for excellence in all endeavors, the win-loss record is not the primary barometer of excellence. Instead, we focus on the processes that lead to those results. No matter the final score, our coaches and athletes strive to be able to say they represented Christ and Westminster well.



Sports

BOYS

GIRLS

Fall

Cross Country
Football
Soccer
Swimming

Cheer
Cross Country
Dance
Field Hockey
Golf
Softball
Tennis
Volleyball

Winter

Basketball
Ice Hockey
Wrestling

Basketball
Swimming

Spring

Baseball
Golf
Lacrosse
Tennis
Track & Field
Volleyball

Lacrosse
Soccer
Track & Field

Ten Pillars

The Ten Pillars define the culture we seek to create in our programs and speak to our purpose and expectations for athletes and coaches.

1 HONOR JESUS CHRIST IN ALL THINGS

2 CHRISTIAN CHARACTER DEFINES WHO WE ARE

3 GOOD GRADES AND CONDUCT LEAD THE WAY

4 "WE" BEFORE "ME"

5 WE WILL RUN THE RACE TO WIN

6 WE ARE IN THIS TOGETHER

7 COMMITMENTS ARE PARAMOUNT

8 WE WILL GROW AND IMPROVE IN AND OUT OF SEASON

9 SUPPORTING OTHER PLAYERS AND TEAMS IS EXPECTED

10 POSITIVE ATTITUDES AND INFLUENCE OUTCOMES



VISUAL ARTS

Visual arts students learn to see and express the beauty of God's creation and discover ways to communicate the fullness of the human experience through photography, graphic design, painting, and more.



THEATRE

Students learn the basics of acting in Westminster's drama program. With several productions to participate in throughout the school year, students become familiar with a live audience, radio theatre, stage makeup, and improvisation.

Winner of eight *St. Louis High School Musical Theatre* awards, including three "Outstanding Production" honors

MUSIC



BAND

Through band classes, students learn not only the basics of instrumental music and the art of musical performance but also how to come together as a group and create something beautiful.

CHOIR

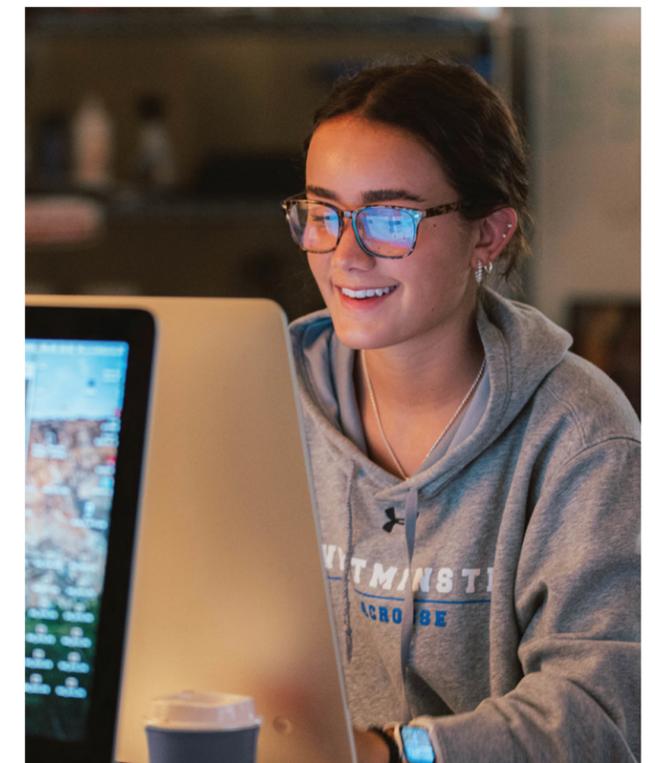
Choir students learn the basics of choral singing, which includes musicianship, sight-singing, vocal production, and performance.

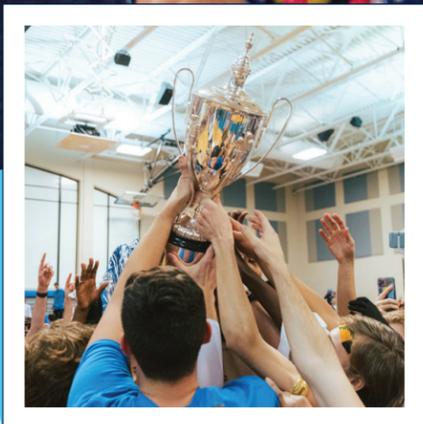
ORCHESTRA

Westminster's instrumental music program builds students' musical abilities through performances, the study of music theory, history, musicianship, and appreciation of diverse musical styles.

PURSUING PASSIONS

Through Westminster's art programs, students have the opportunity to more deeply explore their passions and discover new interests in classes like Theatre Production and Design, Photography, Piano Lab, Graphic Design, Music Composition, and more.





Wildcat Spirit

We love to show our Wildcat spirit at sporting events, Homecoming festivities, and during Spirit Week!

Spiritual Development

Westminster is committed to helping students discover, embrace, and integrate a biblical view of the world into every aspect of their lives. Weekly chapel services offer students spiritual encouragement through meaningful and authentic gospel-centered teaching and worship. Christ's influence on our campus and community extends beyond Chapel. From academic lessons and play practices to publishing the student-run newspaper and sports competitions, Christian truth is infused into every aspect of the school experience.

Faith in Action

One of Westminster's core values is to "lead with our serve." We believe service is an integral part of the Christian life, which is why we provide our students and their families with opportunities to engage the world through acts of service throughout the year as part of our Faith in Action program.

Clubs & Activities

Westminster's roster of student clubs and activities is a testament to the diverse, unique, and fun interests and passions of our students. We offer everything from Student Council and world language clubs to Scholar Bowl, Debate, Gaming Club, and so much more. Westminster even offers a student-led school spirit organization known as the Blue Crew.

20+
Clubs & Activities

163
Student Leadership Opportunities

33
Years Celebrating Spirit Week



A NOTE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Choosing a school for your child is one of the most important decisions you'll ever make. As a parent, you want to ensure your child is safe, challenged academically, nurtured spiritually, and presented with the opportunity to grow and discover new interests.

At Westminster, our programs are led by some of the finest Christian educators in the country. They are committed to helping students like yours pursue excellence in all of their endeavors. Biblical truth, spiritual growth and character formation, academic excellence, competitive athletic programs, and outstanding opportunities in the performing and visual arts are emphasized throughout the school experience so that when students graduate from Westminster they are equipped for college, career, and service in Christ's Kingdom.

Our school theme, Reaching Higher: Engaging Hearts and Minds, reflects this commitment. We desire to help your child reach higher in every endeavor — in the classroom, the arts, on the field, and in their relationships with God and others. We believe this is best achieved when the school, family, and church work together as partners. I invite you to partner with us in the education of your children so that they can experience the blessing of the life-transforming impact of the caring, professional Christian educators at Westminster Christian Academy.

Dr. Barrett Mosbacher
Head of School

Ready to Apply?

Below is a list of what to expect during the process, the information and materials you'll need, and more.



1	We highly recommend scheduling a family tour, attending the Open House, and/or contacting our admissions team to experience Westminster today. Please email us at admissions@wcastl.org or visit our Virtual Admissions Center at wcastl.org/go to discover, connect, and apply!
VISIT	
2	<p>VISIT WCASTL.ORG/GO Complete the parent portion of the online application and have your student complete the appropriate section in his/her own words as directed. Academic records, two teacher recommendations, and a pastor letter of reference must be submitted for an application to be considered complete. Westminster's online application will provide you with the appropriate submission forms.</p> <p>SCHEDULE AN ENTRANCE EXAM Westminster accepts the SSAT (Secondary Schools Admissions Test), but we prefer the ISEE (Independent School Entrance Exam). Register online for the ISEE test dates offered at Westminster's campus or online.</p> <p>CONSENT TO THE CHRISTIAN FAITH COMMITMENT At least one parent must be in agreement with the statement of faith in the Westminster Christian Academy Bylaws and give consent to the Christian Faith Commitment.</p> <p>PARTICIPATE IN A FAMILY INTERVIEW When the application is submitted and the academic documents, teacher recommendations, and entrance exam scores are received, a family interview will be scheduled with a member of the Board of Directors.</p>
APPLY	
3	<p>NOTIFICATION Once all pieces are obtained by the admissions office, the application file will be reviewed by the Admissions Committee. Families will then be notified of the Admissions Committee's decision.</p> <p>PRIORITY FOR ADMISSION 1. Siblings of current students 2. Other qualified applicants at the discretion of the Board of Directors and Admissions Committee <i>Should a class reach its maximum capacity, the students that meet the criteria for admission will be placed in a wait pool. If a space becomes available, students will be admitted based on the priority for admission and best placement.</i></p>
ENROLL	
QUESTIONS?	Contact an admissions associate for more information at 314.997.2900 or admissions@wcastl.org .



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