



BRENHAM CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Building Leaders through Christian Scholarship

School Profile

General Information: Brenham Christian Academy (BCA) is an independent, non-profit co-educational Christian school offering formal education for grades 4 through 12. BCA is housed on a 45-acre campus located at 2111 South Blue Bell Road in Brenham, Texas. The operating income is derived primarily from tuition and fees and is supplemented by an Annual Giving Campaign. The school opened in the fall of 1993 as a secondary school, and it has plans to include Kindergarten through twelfth grade.

Mission Statement: *To build character in each student through Christian scholarship while encouraging a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The scope of curriculum at BCA prepares students to be Christian scholars. They are immersed in rich vocabulary, reasoning and research skills in all academic areas, and mathematical and scientific concepts to compete with students around the nation. The Academy strives to restore the standard of character of our Christian republic, as demonstrated by our founding fathers. John Adams identified the attributes of an American Christian education, "...It should be your care and mine to elevate the minds of our children, and exalt their courage, to accelerate and animate their industry and activity, to excite in them an habitual contempt of meanness, abhorrence of injustice and inhumanity, and an ambition to excel in every capacity, faculty, and virtue. If we suffer their minds to grovel and creep in infancy, they will grovel and creep all their lives."* It is to this end that we educate the students at Brenham Christian Academy.

Accreditation and Memberships: BCA is accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International. It is a member of Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools and The College Board.

Faculty: 16 teachers, 5 support staff, and 1 administrator serve the students of Brenham Christian Academy. Our teachers continually strive to provide an "education" as defined by Noah Webster, "...to enlighten the understanding, correct the temper, form the manners and habits of youth, and fit them for usefulness in their future stations."

Student Body: BCA serves a growing student body of 101 students that come to BCA from a 5-county area. Brenham Christian Academy graduates attend colleges and universities throughout the United States and have produced two Commended Scholars and two National Merit Scholars in the National Merit Finalist competition for four of the last seven years in graduating classes of no more than 16 students.

Graduation Requirements: AP, honors, and dual credit courses are indicated on the transcript with "AP", "H" or "D" respectively. BCA junior and seniors with a minimum 3.0 GPA may take Dual Credit Courses at Blinn College in Brenham. (Students must earn one Bible credit for every year at BCA.)

	<u>Credits for General Diploma</u>	<u>*Credits for Dis- tinguished Diploma</u>
English	4	4
Math	3	4
Science	3	4
History	3	3
Government/Econ (.5 each)	1	1
Bible	4	4
Technology Application	1	1
Fine Arts	1	1
Foreign Language	2	3
Speech/Debate	1	1
Health	0.5	0.5
PE/Athletics	1.5	1.5
Elective	2.0	
Portfolio Assessment	2.0	2.0
Total	29.0	30.0

Grading Scale/Credit Points*			
A = 90-100	4	D = 70-74	1
B = 80-89	3	F = <70	0
C = 75-79	2		

* AP, H, and D courses receive on (1) additional credit point for the weighted GPA.

Class Rank: Due to a selective admissions process and the small number of students, the student body at BCA is atypical; thus ranking students strictly by grade point average would not accurately reflect a student's accomplishments or capabilities. Students in the valedictorian and salutatorian positions will be ranked; all others are not ranked.

*Minimum of 4 AP/H or D courses required in order to graduate with Distinguished Diploma.

Admissions

The Admissions Process: Brenham Christian Academy uses a selective admissions process and offers students a college preparatory curriculum. The school admits students of any race, color, and national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students of the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic, and other school-administered programs.

Tours: Interviews and campus tours are available by appointment throughout the year. For more information or to arrange a tour of the school, call the school office at 979-830-8480.

Requirements for Application:

1. Application for Admission
2. Non-refundable \$100 application fee
3. Recommendations from 2 previous teachers
4. Current report card
5. Current immunization record
6. Copy of birth certificate
7. Any available achievement tests
- *8. Stanford/Iowa or other nationally normed achievement test

*If no current nationally normed achievement test scores are available, the applicant must schedule a time to take the Reading and Math subtests at BCA.

Interview: Students meeting all standards for admission will be contacted for a parent and student interview with the Head of School and/or another designated faculty member.

Admissions Standards: Applicants are required to meet the following criteria:

1. Students must be within one year of the chronological age for the applicable grade.
2. Parents must agree that the Statement of Faith will be the basis for the education program.
3. The student must show evidence of a willingness to attend BCA.
4. The student must score at the 50th percentile or higher on the nationally normed test to qualify for admissions. With one score slightly below the 50 percentile, the student may be admitted on a probationary status contingent upon the student receiving tutorial help at the parents' expense.
5. The student must not be currently suspended, expelled, or on academic or disciplinary probation at another school.
6. The junior high and high school student must agree to abstain from premarital sex, the illegal use of drugs, the use of vulgar language, the practice of illicit internet activity, and the use of tobacco and alcoholic beverages both on and off campus while attending BCA.
7. Live with their parent or guardian.

Notification: Upon review of the application file by the Administration, each student will be notified of the decision. Accepted students will receive an enrollment packet with required forms to be signed and returned to the school office with the registration fee.

Colleges Accepting BCA Graduates

Air Force Academy
Auburn University
Baylor University
Blinn College
Concordia College
Dallas Baptist University
East Texas Baptist University

Kings College, NY
Mary Hardin Baylor
Rhodes College
St. Edwards University
Sam Houston State University
Southwest Baptist University
Stephen F. Austin State University

Texas A&M University
Texas State University
Texas Tech University
University of Georgia
University of Houston
University of Oklahoma
University of Texas

University of Texas, Arlington
Wheaton College

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