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Thank you for your inquiry concerning enrollment in Providence Christian School. We believe God has directed, blessed, and protected this ministry since it was founded in 1965, and are eagerly anticipating the coming year. Our commitment to God is "...that in all things He might have the pre-eminence." (Colossians 1:18b)

It is our vision that Providence Christian School be a training ground of academic excellence and classroom discipleship. Our desire is that the students of PCS be fully prepared as able ministers in this age of globalization. As the school's Mission Statement reads,

The mission and purpose of Providence Christian School is to assist the Christian home in providing a sound education for its children, both academically and spiritually, in a Christ-honoring and caring atmosphere so that each child may be conformed to the image of Christ.

Please carefully read the enclosed enrollment information to better acquaint yourself with the purpose and direction of Providence Christian School. If you believe that our ministry can aid you in training your children, return the completed application to the school. If you have questions, please contact the school office at (813) 661-0588 or email pcsinfo@providencechristianschool.net for further information.

We would be happy to assist you as you determine God's will concerning this Christian school for your family.

Once again, we are thankful for your interest in Providence Christian School

In His Service,

Providence Christian School

Enrollment Procedure

To be officially enrolled in Providence Christian School for the coming academic year, the following items must be completed.

- Read the enclosed overview and financial information concerning PCS and sign on page 5 that you are in agreement before proceeding to the application.
- **Family and Student Application**
The applications must be completed in their entirety and returned to the School Office before proceeding to the interview process.
- **Academic Arena**
All new students applying for grades 1 – 12 must submit a copy of a **current report card** and a copy of a **current standardized test**. If neither is available, grade-level testing may be required at the discretion of the Administrator.
- **Student References**
Though student references (3 for 1st-6th grade; 5 for 7th-12th grade) are not required to be on hand for the interview, they must be received before a final decision can be made for acceptance into school.
- **Family Enrollment Interview with Administrator**
After your applications have been submitted, the secretary will contact you to schedule a personal family interview. Both parents as well as the child(ren) applying for enrollment must attend. After the interview and if enrollment is offered, you will be given final enrollment forms to complete.
- Upon acceptance, no permanent grade placement will be made until previous school records are received. Before the student may enter school, complete and up-to-date health records as well as a certified birth certificate must be on file.

Providence Christian School admits students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at this school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions, athletics, and other school-administered programs.

Providence Christian School Overview

Our History and Focus

Providence Christian School, in partnership with parents and local churches, seeks to train leaders who will impact society for good in this and succeeding generations. Our students learn not just about God but, additionally, how to live for God. PCS diligently seeks to instill the old-fashioned values of faith in God, love of family, patriotism, respect for authority, and hard work – all in academic environment of motivation towards excellence. Our goal is to produce graduates who are successful in their careers for the glory of God, for the benefit of society, and for personal fulfillment. Providence Christian School is an educational institution and is an integral part of the multifaceted ministry of Providence Baptist Church. PCS began its ministry in 1965.

Our primary focus is to minister to Christian families, that is, those families who acknowledge the supremacy of the Scriptures and who profess faith in Jesus Christ as personal Lord and Savior. PCS is not primarily evangelistic, although our ministry believes in evangelism. Particularly on the junior high and high school level, we generally accept students who understand and profess faith in the biblical doctrine of salvation, which salvation is only in the Lord Jesus Christ and His saving grace, apart from any works or religion. Students in junior high and high school must have a desire to attend PCS in order to be considered for enrollment or re-enrollment. It is felt that those who want to attend a Christian school or Providence Christian School would have a more positive influence upon other students.

Although PCS will accept families from denominations other than Baptist, they must first agree on the doctrine of salvation and on the fact that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Second, families must agree on the authority of God's Word in their lives, not what God's Word says plus what some other book or person says. Third, it is expected that the families of children enrolled at PCS attend a fundamental, Bible-believing church on a regular and consistent basis. The following two sections contain excerpts from the constitution and bylaws of PBC and reflect the belief of PCS as well. Providence Baptist Church takes a clear stand against the modern Charismatic movement and its emphasis on speaking in tongues. If there are major and/or philosophical differences between what a home believes and what the school believes, it would be better for a parent to choose another school for their children.

Confessions of Faith

1. We believe in the verbal inspiration and authority of the Scriptures. We believe that the Bible reveals God, the fall of man, the way of salvation, and God's plan and purpose in the ages.
2. We believe in the God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
3. We believe in the deity, virgin birth, and bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ.
4. We believe that salvation is "by grace" plus nothing and minus nothing. The conditions of salvation are repentance and faith.
5. We believe that men are justified by faith alone and are accounted righteous before God only through the merit of our Lord Jesus Christ.
6. We believe in the visible, personal, and premillennial return of Jesus Christ.
7. We believe in the everlasting conscious blessedness of the saved and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost.

Human Sexuality

1. We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of marriage between a man and a woman. We believe that any form of homosexuality, lesbianism, bisexuality, bestiality, incest, fornication, adultery, and pornography are sinful perversions of God's gift of sex. We believe that God disapproves of and forbids any attempt to alter one's gender by surgery or appearance. (Gen. 2:24; Gen. 19:5, 13; Gen. 26:8-9; Lev. 18:1-30; Rom. 1:26-29; I Cor. 5:1; 6:9; I Thes. 4:1-8; Heb. 13:4)
2. We believe that the only legitimate marriage is the joining of one man and one woman. (Gen. 2:24; Rom. 7:2; I Cor. 7:10; Eph. 5:22)

Dress Code

Believing that our outward appearance is a reflection of our heart and mind, Providence Christian School expects all parents to exercise good taste and judgment in the dress of students at all times. Through our clothing, makeup, and hairstyles, we either draw attention to ourselves or magnify the Lord Jesus Christ. In the 2001-2002 school term, PCS adopted school uniforms as the standard dress code. **Upon acceptance**, every family must go to Educational Outfitters in Tampa to be fitted and/or order. Educational Outfitters (350.0222) is located at W. Hillsborough Avenue in Tampa. Uniform clothing from other vendors or sources is not acceptable. The following will apply to clothing worn during the normal school day and most field trips. Uniforms are optional for ball game attire and concert attendance.

Girls: The guiding philosophy is that attire should be **feminine, appropriate, and modest** in length, style, fit, and neckline. As other dress code issues arise, the administration will seek to handle them in an appropriate manner. There is not specific "color" day or chapel-day attire. Skirts, jumpers, and shirts are available in various colors. One complete outfit for girls (shirt + jumper or skirt) ranges in price from \$50 to \$60. Shirts, jumpers, and skirts may be worn mix-and-match Monday through Friday. This attire is also worn for most field trips. More specific information on uniforms, footwear, and accessories may be found in the PCS School Handbook.

Boys: The guiding philosophy is that attire should be **masculine, appropriate, and modest** in style and fit (no oversized or tight clothing). As other dress code issues arise, the administration will seek to handle them in an appropriate manner. There is not specific "color" day or chapel-day attire. Pants and shirts are available in various colors and may be worn mix-and-match Monday through Friday. One complete outfit (shirt + pants) ranges in price from \$45 to \$55. This attire is also worn for most field trips. More specific information on uniforms, footwear, and accessories may be found in the PCS School Handbook.

School Hours

School begins each day for all grades at 7:55a

Grades 1-12 at 3:15p

School Verse

Philippians 2:16 – "Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain."

Curriculum

At Providence Christian School, we recognize that Jesus Christ is the source of all knowledge and that according to Proverbs 10:14, "Wise men lay up knowledge." The Bible is the guide for life; therefore, Bible study is a recognized part of the curriculum of Providence Christian School. All students have a Bible class or chapel each day that includes Bible study, Bible memorization, and practical Christian training. In the Bible classes and chapel, students are to use the Old King James Version of the Bible.

PCS primarily uses textbooks from Christian publishers. All grades, K-12, use a combination of textbooks from A Beka Book (from Pensacola Christian College) and BJU Press (from Bob Jones University). A few selected textbooks from secular publishers are used for specific classes.

Athletic Information

The athletic programs of PCS are a vital part of a student's overall education. All programs are dependent upon student ability, student eligibility, and student interest. Kept in the right perspective, athletics is a tool to train champions for Christ. Games won or lost will fade quickly in the test of passing time, but godly character and values will continue to produce results in the lives of individuals for years and generations to come.

PCS participates in the Florida Christian Conference (FCC) and offers the following sports for students.

Girls (7th – 12th grades): JV Cheerleading, JV Volleyball, Varsity Volleyball, Basketball.

Boys (7th – 12th grades): Boys Basketball.

Extended Care

Extended care for 1st-12th Grade students is available from 7:00a until 7:45a. From 7:00a until 7:30a there will be a fee. You also have the opportunity for after school extended care service, which is available from 3:35p until 6:00p. (Fees and rates will apply.)

For current registration fees, or if you have any questions, please call the school office at 661-0588.

Schedule of Services

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH

Morning Worship	9:30a
Sunday School	11:15a
Sunday Evening	6:00p
Wednesday Evening	7:00p

All school families are warmly encouraged and welcome to visit our church services.

I (we) have read and am (are) in agreement with the overview and financial information provided in this packet.

Signature: _____

Family Application

(Confidential)

Family Last Name

First Name

Parent/Guardian _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Student(s) First and Last Name (List each child for whom you are applying and your relationship to that child.)

Child's Name	Relationship to Child

Family Mailing Address _____
Street
City State Zip

Home Telephone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address (primary – Weekly Info to be sent) _____

Email Address (alternate) _____

Does the student live with both natural parents? No Yes

If no, what best describes your family situation? (Check all that apply)

____ Mother and stepfather	____ Mother only	____ Grandparents
____ Father and stepmother	____ Father only	____ Guardian
____ Living together	____ Divorced/separated	

Please indicate the following:

____ Legal custody	<input type="checkbox"/> Joint <input type="checkbox"/> Sole – who?
____ Physical custody	<input type="checkbox"/> Joint <input type="checkbox"/> Sole – who?

Please provide a copy of the most recently entered court order concerning custody.

If joint legal custody exists, the non-custodial parent must grant consent prior to enrollment (see below).

Enrollment Consent Statement for Non-Custodial Natural Parent

Your name (please print): _____

Please state your relationship to the above named student: _____

By signing this form, I agree and consent to the enrollment of my above named child at Providence Christian School. I understand that signing this consent does not entitle me to extra copies of my child's academic and behavior records or extra time with my child's teachers.

Your signature: _____ Date: _____

Employment

Parent/Guardian Employed by _____ Occupation _____

Business Address _____ Telephone _____

Parent/Guardian Employed by _____ Occupation _____

Business Address _____ Telephone _____

*Is it permissible to call your business phone? Please indicate YES, NO, or EMG (emergency only) by each number.

Church Relationship

Name of Church attending _____

Church Address _____

Church Phone Number _____ Pastor's Name _____

Is the father/guardian of the applying student a member of this church? Yes No

How often does the father/guardian attend church? Regular Not Regular Seldom

Is the mother/guardian of the applying student a member of this church? Yes No

How often does the mother/guardian attend church? Regular Not Regular Seldom

In what ministries of your church are you and/or your family involved? _____

General Information

Were you referred to PCS by an individual and if so, by whom? _____

If not, how did you hear about Providence Christian School? _____

Have any family members (father, mother, brothers, sisters) been enrolled in or employed by Providence Christian School at any time? _____

If so, please specify and give dates. _____

State in detail why you desire your child(ren) to attend Providence Christian School.

To the best of your knowledge, have each of your children applying for enrollment made a profession of faith in Christ? If so, please explain. _____

Student Application

For grades 1st – 12th

(CONFIDENTIAL)

To be filled out by the parent/guardian

Please fill out a separate Student Application page for each student applying for enrollment.

Name _____ Male _____ Female _____

Applicant lives with _____ Applying for Grade _____

Rank (birth order) in family of this child (circle) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Place of birth _____

Date of birth _____ City _____ County _____ State _____

School

School last attended _____ Grade _____

Address of previous school

_____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

Reason for leaving last school attended _____

Names and dates of other schools attended in the last four years

Has the applicant ever been denied admission to another school? _____ If yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper.

Has the applicant skipped a grade? _____ If so, which grade? _____

Has the applicant repeated a grade? _____ If so, which grade? _____

Has the applicant experienced social, scholastic, or disciplinary difficulties or been suspended or expelled from school? _____ If yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper.

Learning History

Has the applicant ever been tested or received special help for a reading or learning difficulty? If, yes, please explain. _____

Has the applicant ever been diagnosed for or enrolled in any special education program or special school (e.g. resource room, LD placement, attention deficit, etc.)? If yes, please explain. _____

Has the applicant ever received a psychological or psychiatric evaluation? _____

If yes, please explain on a separate sheet or attach a copy of the evaluation.

Personal

Do you know of any unwholesome activities (such as drugs, alcohol, smoking, pornography, etc.) your child has participated in that we should be aware of in order to properly disciple and protect him and our other students? _____ If yes, be prepared to confidentially discuss this matter with the Administrator upon completion of your interview.

Has the applicant ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony in a court of law? _____
If yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper.

Please check the appropriate boxes:

- Applicant attends church Weekly Seldom Never
- Applicant attends church children’s functions Weekly Seldom Never
- Applicant attends Sunday School Weekly Seldom Never

Please supply us with the following references for your family:

Someone on the ministerial staff of your church

Name	Phone Number	Position
Teacher or Counselor at your last school		

Name	Phone Number	Position
Someone who knows you well. Do not list a relative.		

Name	Phone Number	Position
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For new students only, please send in a copy of the applicant’s most recent report card with this application.

A copy of the child’s official birth certificate and his/her immunization record will be needed on file in the office before the first day of school.

Misrepresentation of any of the above information could result in the immediate dismissal of the child.

Secondary Student Application

For grades 7 – 12

To be filled out by the student

Name _____ Applying for grade _____

Academics

What subject do you like best and why? _____

What subject do you like least and why? _____

How much time each day do you spend on homework? _____

List any awards or honors you have received. _____

Extra-Curricular Activities

List any school-related activities in which you currently participate. _____

List any sports in which you have participated in the last two years. _____

Which activities would you like to participate in at Providence Christian School? _____

Personal

What gives you the most satisfaction or happiness in your life (sports, hobbies, job, music)? _____

Name and describe your favorite book. _____

Why would you like to attend Providence Christian School? _____
