

Preschool Frequently Asked Questions

Do you offer before and after school care for Preschool?

Calvary Day School operates an extended care program after school for Transitional Kindergarten through 6th Grade. This program is not available for half-day Preschool students. We do not offer before school care.

Does CDS adhere to the NC Child Care Licensing laws?

CDS is a non-public school that is accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) and our Preschool students are on campus for less than 6 ½ hours per day; therefore, CDS is exempt from state childcare licensing laws. We are committed, however, to maintaining a high standard of care for our students, and voluntarily comply with state standards regarding safety, health, and welfare of the children.

How many students are in each class?

Our two-year-old Preschool class size does not exceed 12 students with a teacher and an assistant. Our class size for three-year olds does not exceed 15 children with a teacher and assistant in each class. The four-year-old classes do not exceed 16 children with a teacher and assistant in each class. Transitional Kindergarten classes are limited to 12 students with a teacher and an assistant.

What curriculum do you use?

ABC, Jesus Loves Me is the primary curriculum used in our 2's. Our 3's is a thematic approach with an emphasis on literacy and teacher read alouds. DIG (Develop.Inspire.Grow) is the primary curriculum used in the Pre-K 4's class. This curriculum uses fun stories and puppets to introduce basic literacy skills and prepares our children for Kindergarten. Transitional Kindergarten uses Abeka curriculum. Each curriculum integrates math, reading readiness, science, art, movement, and music. By adapting the curriculums to be hand-ons, teachers create a fun and engaging environment. Most importantly, all of our curriculums are taught with a Biblical worldview and focus on God's truths.

What is your discipline plan?

Teachers use positive reinforcement for positive behavior. Students are instructed on how to appropriately manage their emotions, use their words, and make good choices throughout the year. Redirection, calming areas, or time away from the class are used to correct negative behaviors

What is the dress code? Do children wear uniforms?

CDS students do not wear uniforms. We ask that the clothing be appropriate for play and classroom activities. Shoes should be closed-toe and closed-heel for safety on the playground.

How do I enroll my child?

Students may apply at any time during the school year (provided space is available). Please contact Ronda Fowler (2yo-TK Admissions Coordinator) at 336-714-5584 or visit our website at <u>www.calvaryday.school</u>. You may complete the online application and submit it with your non-refundable \$100 application fee. In general, your student should be able to:

- meet the appropriate birth date guidelines; appropriate age by August 15th
- meet normal growth and development guidelines
- successfully separate from parent
- verbally communicate needs to the teacher

We believe that the greatest single predictor of school readiness in young children is age.

The Admissions Committee makes final decisions about enrollment.

Is there financial assistance available for preschool families?

No; however, the school has Variable Tuition available for Transitional Kindergarten through 12th grade.