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General Information

Church Affiliation

Lighthouse Christian School shall be under the authority and governance of Lighthouse Baptist Church of Greater York, currently located at 5005 Carlisle Road, Dover, PA 17315, and recognized as a ministry of Lighthouse Baptist Church of Greater York and inseparable from said church.

Because of this, the Lighthouse Baptist Church of Greater York's Doctrinal Statement of Faith shall be in force and fully adhered to by Lighthouse Christian School.

1. The statement of faith for Lighthouse Christian School is the same as that of Lighthouse Baptist Church of Greater York.
2. The Authorized King James Version of the Bible shall be used as the final authority for doctrine, instruction, faith and practice.

Mission Statement

Lighthouse Baptist Church of Greater York believes it to be the right and privilege of the church to provide educational services to its members and others of like faith and practice, specifically, the Christian and academic education of Kindergarten through twelfth grade. Therefore, Lighthouse Christian School shall exist:

1. For the glory of God
2. For the propagation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ
3. To encourage a personal relationship with Jesus Christ
4. To build godly character

5. To aid the parent/guardian in the godly instruction of their children
6. To provide a safe, Christian environment (physically, morally, and spiritually) as a haven in which children and young adults can receive a well-rounded, spiritual and academic education that prepares them to lead godly lives and to be profitable and beneficial contributors to society – spiritually, morally, and financially
7. As a ministry of Lighthouse Baptist Church

Philosophy of Education

Lighthouse Christian School was designed to aid in the training process of students. We believe that the family is the primary mode of training for a child. We also believe that the church was founded to assist in that training. Lighthouse Christian School, as a ministry of Lighthouse Baptist Church, further assists in the process of helping parents train up their children for God.

Because of this close-knit relationship between the home, church, and school, it is vital that all three entities are complementary. Each of these influences must hold to the same foundational principles to help reinforce them in the student's mind. Any one of these entities teaching contrary to God's Word will confuse the student and bring dishonor to God.

LCS was founded for the purpose of being a safe haven for your child. While no school is perfect, LCS teaches discipline, Christ-like character, and a Biblical worldview that will help shape students into strong Christians. Along with these benefits, LCS also maintains high academic standards to help your child excel in future pursuits. The primary philosophy of LCS is to provide academic excellence on a spiritual foundation.

Faculty Information

All members of the Lighthouse Christian School staff, whether employed or volunteer, must have a clear testimony of salvation, have been baptized by immersion since their salvation, and must clearly support the Doctrinal Statement of Faith of Lighthouse Baptist Church of Greater York.

All staff members, whether employed or volunteer, who have regular contact with the students must have criminal and child abuse background checks before employment to determine them to be of no threat to the welfare of the students, staff, or institution.

All staff members, whether employed or volunteer, are expected to practice a separated, godly lifestyle at all times as a representative of the Lighthouse Christian School both while on and off duty.

1. Staff members, whether employed or volunteer, must adhere to Biblical principles as stated in the Doctrinal Statement of Lighthouse Baptist Church.
2. Staff members, whether employed or volunteer, must adhere to all standards and requirements included in the Lighthouse Christian School staff handbook including dress, personal behavior, and practices.
3. Failure to adhere to the Biblical principles as stated in the Doctrinal Statement of Lighthouse Baptist Church will result in reprimand and may lead to other disciplinary measures and even dismissal from the staff.

School Hours

Lighthouse Christian School hours are 8:30 to 3:30 daily for students grades 1-12. Half-day Kindergarten is available for half-price tuition. Students who arrive more

than five minutes early must go to before school care and will not be charged unless they are more than fifteen minutes early. Students are to be picked up between 3:30-3:45. Students not picked up by 3:45 will be placed into after school care and will be billed accordingly (see “Extended Care” for more details).

Policies

Admission

Enrollment for Lighthouse Christian School will be limited in order to maintain the spiritual environment established in the school Mission Statement.

1. Enrollment in Lighthouse Christian School is a privilege and not a right.
2. LCS reserves the right to refuse enrollment or dismiss a student for any reason. If dismissal is warranted, prorated tuition funds will be returned.
3. Enrollment will be limited to those families and students who are willing to fully support the tenets of Lighthouse Baptist Church of Greater York both in doctrine and in practice.
 - a. **Every Student and Guardian will be required to sign a *Handbook Agreement Form* promising to follow the policies of Lighthouse Christian School.**
 - b. Failure to comply with the *Student Handbook* will result in suspension until compliance is met or dismissal if compliance is refused.
4. Only those students who are able to maintain a Christian spirit and behavior will be allowed to continue to attend Lighthouse Christian School. Those students who become unable to maintain a

godly Christian Spirit or are otherwise hindering the mission statement of Lighthouse Christian School from being fulfilled will be dismissed from the school and will not be able to attend for the remainder of the semester or for a period of time deemed appropriate by the administrator and/or the School Board.

5. **Upon acceptance to Lighthouse Christian School, each enrolled student in grades 2-12 will be required to take a diagnostic test to determine their level of proficiency.** The supervisor will prescribe the appropriate curriculum to meet your child's needs. This test varies in length, but generally takes a couple of hours. The school office will contact you to schedule the diagnostic assessment. Upon completion, the supervisor will discuss the results with the parents and order the necessary curriculum.
6. Due to the unique structure of the ACE program, students 2nd – 12th grade can be enrolled at any point during the school year.

Tuition

Lighthouse Christian School is committed to provide a quality, Christian education for your child at an affordable price. Because LCS is a ministry of Lighthouse Baptist Church, regular attendees (normally, once a week) will receive a financial discount. The following policies have been established to avoid misunderstanding:

1. Due to limited enrollment, a **\$50 non-refundable registration fee** is due with each student's application to hold the child's place in the school. Upon acceptance, the \$50 will be credited toward your first month's tuition payment. If for some reason the school denies your child for admission,

- the \$50 will be refunded to you.
2. A **\$350 non-refundable book fee** for each student is due along with the first tuition installment, or you may opt to pay \$40/month along with the ten tuition installments. This fee covers the cost of all the curriculum your child needs for a year's work, SAT 10 testing, and dues for the Keystone Christian Education Association (KCEA).
 - a. If a student withdraws from the school at any point during the year, his unfinished PACES are for him to keep and finish if desired.
 - b. If your child completes all the PACES prescribed to him for the year and wishes to proceed further in order to catch up to his grade level, a \$3 per PACE fee will apply.
 3. Summer school is available for those students who need additional instruction to achieve their appropriate grade level at a rate of \$40 per PACE (maximum of \$240 per month) (See "Summer School" for more details).
 4. If at some point during the school year a student must withdraw from LCS for financial or any other reason, he may retain all of his incomplete, prescribed curriculum PACES and continue his schooling at home. Parents will receive a prorated reimbursement for tuition.
 5. For **non-members** of Lighthouse Baptist Church of Greater York, the total tuition cost for students grades 1-12, excluding the previously listed fees, is \$3000 for the school year. For your convenience, this cost will be broken down and paid in ten monthly installments of \$300. Half-day Kindergarten is available at 50% of the cost.
 6. For **regular attendees** of Lighthouse Baptist

Church of Greater York, the total tuition cost for grades 1-12, excluding the previously listed fees, is \$2500 for the school year. For your convenience, this cost will be broken down and paid in ten monthly installments of \$250. Half-day Kindergarten is available at 50% of the cost.

7. For non-members and regular attendees alike, **there is a substantial discount available for multiple children in the same family enrolled at LCS.** Each additional child from the same family receives a \$50 discount per month (\$500 per school year). For example, if there is a family (who are attendees of Lighthouse Baptist Church of Greater York) with six children all enrolled in LCS, the first child will cost \$250/month, the second child will cost \$200/month, the third child will cost \$150/month, the fourth child will cost \$100/month, the fifth child will cost \$50/month, and the sixth (and any additional) child will be free. The \$300 non-refundable book fee still applies to each child.
8. All tuition installments are to be paid by the fifteenth of each month. The first tuition installment and the \$300 book fee are due no later than August 15th. The final tuition installment is due no later than May 15th.
9. Payments received after the 20th of the month will incur a \$10 late fee. If a payment is not fulfilled by the 20th of the following month, the school office will contact you to discuss your payment options.
10. Limited scholarship funds may be available for those who qualify. Pick up an application in the school office.

Attendance

Regular attendance is essential for successful education. Please do not plan family or vacation days during school time. Doing so tells your child that education is not important. The curriculum is designed to work for students who are in class; however, if a student is genuinely ill with a contagious illness, please do not send him to school. If you foresee that the student will be out of school for an extended period of time, the student may take his PACEs home with him and continue to work up to the self-test.

Students must abide by Pennsylvania truancy laws.

1. Absences should be limited and only used for true emergencies. If a student misses more than the allotted amount of days, he may have to make up the difference in summer school.
 - a. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania requires the attendance of all enrolled students during school days and hours unless a student is considered “excused.”
 - i. Pennsylvania law broadly defines absences as **excused** when a student is prevented from attendance for mental, physical, or other urgent reasons. Such instances would include illness, family emergency, death of a family member, medical or dental appointments, and authorized school activities and educational travel with prior approval.
 - ii. All other absences are considered **unexcused**.
 - b. **All absences (excused or unexcused) will be treated as unlawful until the school**

receives a written excuse explaining the reason for an absence. Parents/guardians should submit the written explanation within three calendar days of the absence.

- i. If a written excuse is not provided, the absence (or tardy) will be permanently counted as unlawful.**
 - ii. After a student accumulates three days of unexcused absences,** LCS must notify the parents that any additional unexcused absences can result in a referral to the magisterial district judge. The judge may impose fines, educational classes, and/or suspend driver's license operating privileges.
 - c. The above information was gathered from www.patruancytoolkit.info. Please visit the website for more information.**
- 2. Students more than two hours late, but less than four hours late will be considered half a day absent.**
- 3. Students who are more than four hours late may come to school to work, but will be considered absent for the day.**
- 4. Students who are late, but less than two hours late will be considered tardy.**
- 5. Students will be considered tardy if they are not in their assigned learning center at 8:30 am.**
- 6. Five accumulated unexcused tardies will equal one unexcused absence.**
- 7. If a student must leave early for a doctor's appointment or other such appointment, parents must send in a signed note. Such instances will**

count as a tardy so long as it is less than two hours before school ends, otherwise, it will count as a half-day absence. Students whose parents pick them up before the end of school will receive a tardy so long as it is less than two hours before school ends, otherwise, it will count as an half-day absence.

Discipline

Lighthouse Christian School stresses discipline as an important aspect of character development. LCS uses the demerit/merit method of discipline to help train up a child in the way he should go (Prov. 22:6). We believe in both positive and negative reinforcement of the rules. Positive reinforcement is when students are rewarded for going above and beyond what is expected of him (i.e. 100% on test, picking up trash, etc.). Negative reinforcement is when students are corrected for disobeying the rules (i.e. improper language, dress code violation, etc.). LCS believes, however, that discipline is not just for the school, but should be reinforced at home. LCS will not incorporate corporal punishment. Parents should be the primary disciplinarians in the student’s life.

To help stress discipline and respect, students must address all staff members of Lighthouse Christian School and Lighthouse Baptist Church with respectful language such as sir or ma’am. Men should be addressed as either Pastor or Mr., and women should be addressed as either Miss or Mrs. Failure to comply will result in demerits.

Demerits

The following rules apply to all students and will be enforced with the corresponding number of demerits. Demerits may be increased after the first offense:

1. Cell phone/electronic usage.....1

2. Cheating.....	2
3. Direct disobedience	1
4. Disrespect	2
5. Disturbing class or chapel.....	1
6. Dress code violation	1
7. Fighting.....	3
8. Gum chewing.....	1
9. Homework slip not signed.....	1
10. Horseplay.....	1
11. Inappropriate behavior or language	1
12. Inappropriate touching (staff determined).....	2
13. Incomplete work	1
14. Lying.....	2
15. Obscene gesture or cursing.....	2
16. Scoring violation.....	1
17. Unprepared for class.....	1

The following is a list of offences that could result in suspension and/or expulsion from the school. The pastor, administrator, and school board will review the infraction to determine if such actions pose a threat to the school environment.

1. Abuse of school property
2. Alcohol possession or use
3. Gambling
4. Involvement in crimes (other than traffic tickets)
5. Immorality
6. Pornography
7. Possession, distribution, or use of drugs
8. Possession, distribution, or use of tobacco
9. Possession or distribution of birth control devices on school property or offsite functions
10. Possession or distribution of explosives, firearms, knives, or other fighting instruments on school property or offsite functions
11. Stealing

12. Striking a staff member

Consequences for demerits will be fulfilled in the following ways:

1. When a student accumulates **3-5 demerits in one day**, he will be required to serve a detention the following day. Detentions will take place immediately after school or during the lunch break on all school days except for days when an evening church service will take place. If it is not possible for the child to serve the detention the following day, please contact the school office for other arrangements.
 - a. A detention slip will be issued to the offending student to be signed by a parent and returned the following day to inform the staff that the parents are aware of the late pickup.
 - b. If a student fails to return the signed detention slip the following day, an additional detention will be assigned. After the detention slip has been signed and returned, the student will serve the after-school detention.
 - c. Because detention will be served in after school care, students who receive detention must pay the same \$0.50 per fifteen-minute rate to cover the cost of the care.

3 Demerits.....	30 minutes
4 Demerits.....	45 minutes
5 Demerits.....	60 minutes
2. If a student receives **6 or more demerits in a day**, the student's parent will be called in order to schedule the detentions and inform them of the student's behavior.

3. Upon the accumulation of **50 demerits in a semester**, the student will receive a suspension, the length of which to be determined in a parent-teacher meeting.
4. Upon the accumulation of **75 demerits in a semester**, the student will receive a suspension until the administrator, pastor, and school board meet to consider what actions need to be taken, including possible expulsion. A parent-administrator meeting will be scheduled to discuss the offending student's actions and consequences.
5. Upon the accumulation of **100 demerits in a semester**, the student will be immediately expelled. The administrator, pastor, and school board may make exceptions in rare cases. Students who have been expelled may re-apply the following fall semester.

Merits

At Lighthouse Christian School, we do not believe that good works should go unnoticed which is why the merit system is used. Merits do not cancel out demerits but rather reward the students with prizes and extra privileges for their positive behavior. Merits are awarded for the following reasons:

1. Perfect Attendance for Semester 100
2. Optional Assigned Report..... 50
3. Recited monthly Scripture on 1st week 50
4. Recited monthly Scripture on 2nd week 40
5. Recited monthly Scripture on 3rd week 30
6. Recited monthly Scripture on 4th week..... 20
7. Score 100% on a PACE Test 20
8. Score 90-99% on PACE Test 10
9. Neat Office Award..... 10
10. Exceptional Behavior..... 10

Merit Store

Once per month, LCS will open its Merit Store where students can redeem earned merits on prizes and privileges. Unspent merits will carry over to the following month and so on; however, **all merits must be spent by the end of the school year** as they do not transfer from year to year. Merits received are non-transferable and LCS is not responsible for lost or stolen merits. If a student decides to withdraw from the school at any point during the year, he may spend his merits before leaving.

Extended Care

Lighthouse Christian School provides before and after school care for your child. This service is for parents who begin work prior to the school's starting time or work late and have no other means of transportation for their child. Before school care begins at 7:30 AM each day and after school care ends at 4:30 PM each day. Students arriving within fifteen minutes prior to the school's start time or leaving within fifteen minutes after school dismissal will not be charged for the service. During this time, students will work on homework, read, play quiet games, and other activities. **Please fill out an extended care form in the school office for each child that needs this service.** LCS charges \$0.50 per fifteen minutes per child. For example, if a child needs to stay for an hour before school and an hour after school, it would be just \$4 for the day.

School Closings

Lighthouse Christian School believes that attendance is essential for successful education; however, from time to time, the school may need to close for inclement weather or other safety reasons. **LCS will follow the Dover School District in weather closings and delays unless otherwise notified.**

Transportation

The following local school districts are required to provide transportation to Lighthouse Christian School: Central, Dover, Northern, Northeastern, and West York. If you are interested in taking advantage of this system, please stop by the school office and fill out a Public School District Transportation Request Form.

Parents who chose to transport their children to school should drop them off and pick them up from the north side door of the church. Please do not linger as there will be other parents trying to drop off and pick up their children.

Traffic flow should not be impeded. Please park your car if an extended conversation with a staff member or other parent is needed.

Properly licensed students wishing to drive themselves to school will need to register their vehicles in the school office and have parental consent. These students must park on the far north edge of the north parking lot.

Lockers

Lighthouse Christian school assigns a locker for each enrolled student. These lockers are school property and are therefore subject to search at any time. The lockers are not equipped with a lock, so if a student wishes to lock his locker, he must bring his own lock. If a student decides to lock his locker, the combination or a duplicate key must be given to the school office. Like student offices, lockers must be kept orderly at all times.

Lunch and Snacks

Lighthouse Christian School students must bring their own lunch daily including a drink. Microwaves are available for student use. Students will be given thirty minutes daily to eat their food. If a student forgets his

lunch, the school will provide a small meal for him to eat at the cost of \$3.

Snacks may also be sent for break times. **Please send nutritious snacks** that will help strengthen the child for the remainder of the day. **Please do not send energy drinks, soda, and sugary foods with your child for a snack.**

Electronics

Lighthouse Christian School is committed to providing academic excellence and a safe haven for your child. That is why at LCS, personal electronics must be turned off and kept in student lockers at all times during school hours unless given special permission from the supervisor for instructional purposes. This helps to keep distractions to a minimum and maximize learning.

Personal electronics include, but are not limited to:

1. Cell phones
2. Computers
3. Tablet Computers
4. Personal Music Players

Failure to comply will result in confiscation and demerits. Upon confiscation, parents will be notified and must come in to pick up their child's electronic device.

All students grades 9-12 should bring their own pair of headphones or earbuds to school. These are used for some special classes that require videos or CDs.

Social Networks

Social media plays an important part of life in today's culture and can be used for good. LCS neither encourages nor discourages the use of social media. This decision is the parents' responsibility. If social media is used, students are encouraged to post positive thoughts about their home, church, and school and promote them in a

Christ-honoring manner. Students should THINK (Is it True, Helpful, Inspiring, Necessary, and Kind?) before posting anything on social media.

Social networks can, however, be used for evil which is why students are reminded that they are constantly a testimony of their home, church, and school; and that their social networks should be a reflection of that testimony year round. Carnal pictures, vulgar language, or bad-talking the home, church, or school on social networks may be used as evidence to determine if the student or his activities are a threat to the safe haven of Lighthouse Christian School.

LCS strongly discourages students from being involved with any online dating sights or chat rooms.

Students and parents are also encouraged to **follow Lighthouse Christian School on Facebook** for news and updates. You can find us there at **www.facebook.com/lcsdover**.

Language

Ephesians 4:29 states “Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth.” This verse should be the basic premise for all a Christian says or does. At Lighthouse Christian School, we are determined to keep the world out, and one of the primary ways the world gets in is through our speech. A Christian’s language should be noticeably different than that of an unsaved person.

Bad-mouthing the home, church, school, or staff will not be accepted and will be appropriately disciplined. While at school, students should not talk about books, movies, games, television, or other activities which promote worldly philosophies that LCS would not endorse. LCS is determined to keep the school a safe haven, but it cannot accomplish that goal effectively if the students are the ones bringing in the world.

Music Lessons

LCS believes that extracurricular activities such as music can be extremely valuable in a student's education and development. At an additional cost, instrumental music lessons are available to LCS students from qualified teachers. If you are interested in taking advantage of this opportunity, contact the school office for more information.

Appearance

The outward appearance of a person is a reflection of the condition of his heart. For this reason, Lighthouse Christian School maintains a modest dress code for both students and staff. LCS uses uniforms outfitted by French Toast® which can be ordered online or through an order form in the church office. Uniforms are implemented by LCS to ensure modesty and to avoid unnecessary problems.

All Students

1. Uniforms must be worn each school day and on all trips or activities that take the place of school.
2. Uniforms should be neat at all times.
3. Undershirts must be white and worn by all students 6th-12th grade.
4. Undershirts must be white.
5. Sleeves must not be rolled up on long sleeve shirts unless given special permission. Short sleeve shirts are available for order for warm seasons.
6. Appropriate uniform ties are to be worn by all students grades 6-12.
7. Temporary tattoos or drawings on the body are not permitted.

Guys

1. Uniforms for Kindergarten-1st grade are a white polo shirt, gray slacks, and tennis shoes.
2. Uniforms for 2nd-12th grade are a white dress shirt, burgundy tie, gray slacks, black belt, black socks, and black dress shoes.
3. Shirts should be neatly tucked in and pants worn at the waist.
4. Hair must be clean and cut in a conservative fashion worn off the collar and ear. Hair must not be dyed, bleached, or spiked. Sideburns must not go past the middle of the ear.
5. Black belts must be worn with pants that have belt loops. Oversized buckles are not permitted.
6. Jewelry may not be worn unless it is for a medical reason and has been approved by the supervisor. Gauges or earrings that appear to be gauges are not permitted.
7. Shoes must be black; however, athletic shoes of any kind (including black) are not permitted except during break times. Boots and skater-style shoes are not permitted. Socks must cover the ankle and are to be worn at all times.
8. Guys must remain clean-shaven every day.
9. Ties must be worn tight around the neck so that neither the undershirt nor the top button can be seen. Bow ties are not permitted.

Girls

1. Uniforms for Kindergarten-5th grade are a white blouse with peter pan collar, burgundy tie, plaid jumper, white or black socks/tights, and black shoes. Shorts may be worn under skirts if desired. Kindergarten and 1st grade student may wear tennis shoes.

2. Uniforms for 6th-12th grade are a white blouse with pointed collar, burgundy tie, gray skirt, and black shoes.
3. Hair must be clean and neatly styled. Hair must not cover the eyes and unnatural dying is not permitted.
4. Only students 12 and up may wear make-up with parental consent, and it must be natural looking.
5. No black or gothic style nail polish will be permitted.
6. Clothing must be fit properly but not form fitting. Necklines of shirts must be no more than three fingers below the collarbone, and undershirts must be worn with white shirts. Skirts must cover the whole knee when sitting and standing.
7. Jewelry must be simple and not distracting. It also must not be gaudy and worldly in nature. No more than two bracelets at a time may be worn. Earrings must be worn on the ear lobe. No more than two earrings, whether they are pierced or clip on, may be worn. Dangling or hoop earrings are not to be more than one inch in length. Gauges or earrings that appear to be gauges are not permitted.
8. Shoes must be black; however, athletic shoes of any kind (including black) are not permitted except during break times. Heels longer than 2 inches are not permitted. Shoes must be closed toed and closed backed.
9. If socks, tights, or hose are worn, they must be black, white, or natural colored.

Visitors/Security

Visitors of Lighthouse Christian School and Lighthouse Baptist Church must check in with the church office during school hours. Building doors remain locked during school hours and guests must be buzzed in by the

receptionist in order to gain access. If a parental visit during the day is deemed necessary, please call ahead to make an appointment.

In order to keep the school safe, **no pocketknives of any kind will be permitted.**

Academics

Curriculum

Lighthouse Christian School uses the Accelerated Christian Education (ACE) program for grades 2-12. With the ACE program of instruction, trained supervisors establish an Individualized Education Program (IEP) tailored especially to facilitate your child's greatest possible progress. Unlike traditional classrooms where students must progress at a pace with the rest of the class regardless of their understanding, the ACE program can offer a true Individualized Educational Program where true learning takes place before a student progresses to the next level. In traditional classrooms, time is the constant and learning is the variable. With the ACE program, time is the variable and learning is the constant.

The ACE curriculum is a globally accepted curriculum with graduates all over the world. Though LCS encourages students to further their education in Christian institutions, graduates from the ACE program have also gone on to continue their education in well-known colleges across the nation such as Penn State, University of Maryland, the U.S. Naval Academy, Harvard, and many others (There is an exhaustive list available in the school office). This is an effective, widely accepted program that has the ability to help your child reach his full potential.

At the heart of the ACE program are five basic laws of learning:

1. Students must be at subject levels where they can perform.
2. Students must set reasonable goals.
3. Students must be controlled and motivated.
4. Learning must be measurable.
5. Learning must be rewarded.

This effective curriculum helps to assure parents of:

1. A solid, mastery-based, back-to-basics education for their children.
2. A course of study individualized to meet a child's specific needs and learning capabilities.
3. A program incorporating Scripture, godly character building, and Biblical principles.
4. A curriculum using advanced computer technology to help ensure the finest education possible in today's high-tech society.

Grades Kindergarten and 1st use the Abeka Books curriculum. This curriculum is a widely known and used curriculum for Christian schools all around the world. The Abeka curriculum uses phonics to teach the students to read, which is foundational for the rest of their schooling. If you have any questions or concerns about the curriculum, please contact the school office.

Homework

The ACE program is designed to help students take responsibility for their own academic achievement, and is designed to be completed while at school. Each day, students set achievable daily goals as directed by a supervisor. Students who do not complete their goals for the day will receive a homework slip that must be signed and returned the following day. It is the student's

responsibility to complete his homework, not the parents. The parent’s signature indicates that they are aware of the homework and can attest to its completion by the student. Failure to return the homework slip the following day will result in demerits.

Grading Scale

The ACE program is unique in the fact that it is a mastery-based curriculum. This means that students do not just learn the information required to barely pass a test, but rather they must master the information and receive at least an 80% in order to continue. If a student fails to receive an 80%, he must repeat the PACE and retake the test until achieving that mark. That being said, the grading scale for Lighthouse Christian school is different than many others as the lowest possible passing grade a student can have is 80%.

A	90-100
B.....	80-89
C.....	70-79
D	65-69
F	0-64

Graduation Requirements

Lighthouse Christian School is a registered school in the State of Pennsylvania and, as such, has the ability to issue diplomas. LCS is not an accredited school, however, students who have graduated from schools using the ACE program have been accepted in thousands of colleges around the world such as the University of Maryland, the U.S. Naval Academy, and Penn State. While LCS can never guarantee that a particular student will be accepted into college, we promise to do our best to provide your child with a quality, Christian education.

The ACE program offers three different types of diplomas available to students: Honors, College

Preparatory, and General. **All students will be put on the College Preparatory course of study until accumulated evidence indicates otherwise.** The Honors course of study would be for extremely bright students who are looking to attain their college degree from a prestigious college or other advanced courses of study. The College Preparatory course of study is more than sufficient for those students looking to pursue a college degree. Finally, the General Education course of study is for those students who are not planning to attend college.

Summer School

Because of the unique structure of the ACE curriculum used by Lighthouse Christian School, summer school can be mostly completed at home by the child at an affordable price. Summer school is required for students who missed too many days and available for those who are behind and would like to catch up. The student will work on the PACE at home until the self-test and will come in to LCS to score and complete the self-test and final test. A supervisor or administrator will be available throughout the summer months for help if needed. The cost of LCS summer school is \$40 per pace (but no more than \$240 per 30-day period). This cost covers the PACE, tuition, and materials.

Staff Directory

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