



**SOMERSET**  
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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# APPLICATION PACKET

P R E - K I N D E R G A R T E N

4 A N D 5 Y E A R O L D S

STUDENT'S FULL NAME  Male  Female

AGE

DATE OF APPLICATION

CHOOSE DAYS PER WEEK:  3  4  5 CHOOSE DAYS OF WEEK:  M  T  W  TH  F

DATE OF BIRTH

PLACE OF BIRTH

PHONE

CHILD'S HOME ADDRESS

STUDENT LIVES WITH

MOTHER/GUARDIAN'S NAME PHONE

FATHER/GUARDIAN'S NAME PHONE

MOTHER'S HOME ADDRESS

IF DIFFERENT FROM CHILD'S

FATHER'S HOME ADDRESS

IF DIFFERENT FROM CHILD'S

MOTHER'S EMAIL

FATHER'S EMAIL

MOTHER'S EMPLOYER & POSITION

FATHER'S EMPLOYER & POSITION

MOTHER'S WORK PHONE

FATHER'S WORK PHONE

NAME OF HOME CHURCH

LAST SCHOOL ATTENDED

PASTOR'S NAME

SIBLING INFO  
(NAME, AGE AND SCHOOL)

# THANK YOU

**FOR CHOOSING**  
**SOMERSET CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

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## PURPOSE OF ENROLLMENT

PLEASE ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW

WHAT ARE YOUR SPIRITUAL, SOCIAL, AND/OR EDUCATIONAL GOALS FOR YOUR CHILD WHILE ATTENDING SCS?

PLEASE RANK THE FOLLOWING REASONS FOR ENROLLMENT 1-5, WITH 1 BEING THE MOST IMPORTANT:

- CHRISTIAN BASED CURRICULUM
- QUALITY ACADEMICS
- CHRISTIAN TEACHERS & STAFF
- SAFETY
- LOCATION

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please answer the following with as much information as possible.

1. Does the child have a history of physical or emotional conditions, or a learning disability which may require professional attention?  
 No  Yes If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Does your child currently have a mental health diagnosis?  
 No  Yes If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Has the child participated in any special learning/tutoring program?  No  Yes  
 If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Has the child participated in any gifted learning programs?  No  Yes  
 If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Has anyone talked to you about attending Somerset Christian School?  No  Yes  
 If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_
6. If applicable, please identify the first and last name of the family that recruited you to Somerset Christian.  
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7. If applicable, please identify the first and last name of the student who your student is partnering with in the 'Growing Together' program. \_\_\_\_\_

## OUR SCHOOL MISSION

To bring children to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ  
 To disciple children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord  
 To provide a superior Biblical education instructing the whole child



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## **FEE STRUCTURE AND INFORMATION**

SOMERSET CHRISTIAN SCHOOL (SCS) OFFERS THREE-DAY, FOUR-DAY OR FIVE-DAY PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS FROM 8:00 AM TO 11:30 AM FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE FOUR (OR FIVE) YEARS OLD AND POTTY-TRAINED.

FIVE-DAY PROGRAM \$3,100 (OR \$258.34/MO. FOR 12 MONTHS)

FOUR-DAY PROGRAM \$2,600 (OR \$216.67/MO. FOR 12 MONTHS)

THREE-DAY PROGRAM \$2,100 (OR \$175.00/MO. FOR 12 MONTHS)

ENROLLMENT FEE \$35/CHILD (ONE-TIME FEE)

IF YOUR CHILD NEEDS DAYCARE FOR THE AFTERNOONS, THE RATE IS AN ADDITIONAL \$16.00/DAY.

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**Tuition:** Tuition is due the fifth day of every month, starting July 2024. Monthly payments will be accepted on a twelve-month plan. If payment is not received by the 10th, a \$25 late fee is assessed. We accept check, cash, and credit card. (Credit card users are charged a 3% processing fee.)

**Discounts:** The first month's tuition is due July 5, 2024. If you choose to pay your full tuition in advance, you will receive a 5% discount.

**Attendance:** If your child is in the three-day program, she/he may come in an extra day to make up for a day they are absent. Arrangements need to be made in advance and will only be permitted if there is availability.

**There is no daily rate for Pre-Kindergarten; if you miss a day, your tuition will not be adjusted.**

**Parent Hours:** Pre-K parents are required to complete 10 parent hours per school year. These parent hours help provide staffing at fundraising events, which in turn helps to offset the costs that tuition does not cover.

**Dedicated Teachers**

**Weekly Chapel Services**

**Small Class Sizes**



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## ENROLLMENT POLICIES

By signing below, I agree to the enrollment policies: In making application, I state that I am in agreement with the Statement of Faith and Philosophy of Education of SCS. As a parent, I agree to cooperate with SCS in the enforcement of disciplinary procedures, encourage habits of promptness, and encourage positive attitudes toward the school by my conversation and attitude. I will be faithful in prayer and I will support excellence in education for each student. I believe the Bible commands us to make every effort to live at peace and to resolve disputes with each other in private or within the Christian community in conformity with the Biblical injunctions of I Corinthians 6:1-8, Matthew 5:23-24 and Matthew 18:15-20. Therefore, I agree that any claim or dispute arising out of, or related to, this agreement or to any aspect of the school relationship, including any statutory claim, shall be settled by Biblically based mediation.

**(Your initials below indicate that you have read and agree to the policies below.)**

\_\_\_ **ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT IN LOCAL CHURCH:** Somerset Christian School is an extension of the home and relies on a partnership with parents to teach children a Biblical worldview. We believe a consistent message from home, church and school will result in developing Godly character and values. Therefore, as you enroll, it is our understanding that you are or will seek to be actively involved in a local church, which teaches its members to live consistently with Biblical standards.

\_\_\_ **SICK CHILDREN:** If a child is sick with any of the following symptoms or any other contagious illness, he/she will be unable to attend school or Afterschool Daycare. Symptoms include, but are not limited to: a fever of 100.4 degrees; vomiting; undiagnosed rash; diarrhea; strep throat; contagious conjunctivitis; and chicken pox. Children must be symptom-free for 24 hours and/or have a physician's statement before they may return to school or Afterschool Daycare.

\_\_\_ **UNSUPERVISED CHILDREN:** Unsupervised students will be placed in Before School Care and Afterschool Daycare. Every student, Preschool-6th, must be supervised. Non-bused students dropped off before 8:00am or picked up after 3:00pm are required to be in the care of an adult or in the Before School Care or Afterschool Daycare. Applicable fees may apply.

\_\_\_ **SCS HANDBOOK:** We have read the SCS Handbook and will support the policies and regulations contained therein.

\_\_\_ **FUNDRAISING:** We recognize that tuition payments cover only a portion of school expenses. The remaining portion must be raised by monetary contributions and fundraising events. We recognize our support of these events is necessary to the operation of the school.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

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## 2024-2025 FINANCIAL POLICY

**AFTER READING AND INITIALING ALL POLICIES LISTED, PLEASE SIGN BELOW.**

By signing below, I agree to the financial policies of Somerset Christian School:  
I understand the registration fee is non-refundable. I understand the withdrawal policy and my obligation to follow through with my financial commitments of tuition and all fees as detailed in this contract. ***I understand my child's records will not be released until our SCS financial obligations are fulfilled.***  
(Your initials below indicate that you have read and agree to the policies.)

\_\_\_\_ ENROLLMENT FEE: An enrollment fee of \$35 per student is due at the time of application and is non-refundable. If the school denies your acceptance, you will be refunded the enrollment fee. This is a one-time fee due at time of initial enrollment at SCS.

\_\_\_\_ TUITION: Tuition fees paid in monthly installments are due the 5th of each month, beginning July 5, 2024, with the final payment due June 5, 2025. A \$25 late charge will be added if payment is not received by the 10th of the month. Failure to keep your account current will result in the family being asked to withdraw from the school. Payments can be made with check, cash or credit card. Credit card payments are charged a 3% processing fee.

\_\_\_\_ TECHNOLOGY FEE: An annual technology fee of \$100 per student is required at the time of application and is non-refundable (Grades 1-12 only).

\_\_\_\_ PARENT HOURS: All families (K-12) are required to complete 20 parent hours for the school to help keep operating costs down. Pre-K parents are required to complete 10 parent hours. Parent hours may be completed between July, 2024 and May 31, 2025. Families must have a minimum of half their service hours completed by January 31st to be eligible for priority registration for the next year. All parent hours must be completed before May 31st to be eligible to re-enroll. **If hours are not completed by May 31st, you will be billed \$15.00 per hour for each remaining hour.**

\_\_\_\_ WITHDRAWAL POLICY: If a student withdraws from SCS for any reason, the parents remain responsible for that month's complete tuition. If the withdrawal is at the school's request, tuition for the remainder of the month will be refunded on a pro rata basis.

\_\_\_\_ AFTER SCHOOL DAYCARE FEES: Students are to be picked up no later than 3:00pm. Students who are not picked up by 3:00pm will be placed in our fee-based supervised after school care. Fees will be determined by time of pick-up.

\_\_\_\_ TUITION ASSISTANCE: Admission to SCS is a privilege, rather than a right. Families who desire a Christian education for their children must be willing to sacrifice time and monies so that their child may attend Somerset Christian School. Parents will have the opportunity to participate in many fundraisers in order to earn tuition dollars that will be applied directly to your account. Failure to pay your tuition balance in full will result in non-acceptance to SCS the following year and possible charges with the Magistrate's office. No school records will be released until accounts are paid in full.

\_\_\_\_ FUNDRAISING CREDITS: Some fundraisers can be used to earn a percentage off your tuition. Any fundraising money that is a credit at the end of the year can be used on the following year's tuition. If your child/children do not return to SCS the following year, all fundraising credits will be forfeited.

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**BIBLICALLY INTEGRATED  
CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

**EDUCATION THAT MEETS SPIRITUAL NEEDS**

**SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO  
QUALIFYING FAMILIES**



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## LETTER TO PROSPECTIVE PARENTS

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your interest in Somerset Christian School. We have adopted an admissions policy that opens the school to families who are like-minded spiritually, who are supportive of our philosophy, objectives, and standards of education, and whose children meet our enrollment standards. Our purpose is to serve families who desire not simply a private education, but a distinctively Christian education for their children.

Before applying for admission to our school, please read the Student Handbook provided in this introductory packet. The Student Handbook will introduce you to many of the school's policies, procedures and expectations for both parents and students.

The first several pages of the Student Handbook explain our religious purpose, mission, and beliefs. This school unashamedly believes, teaches, and practices a literal interpretation of the Word of God. We respect your desire to place your child in the best possible learning environment, but if you are not in full agreement with our doctrinal positions, it will be best for all concerned if you do not enroll your child at our school.

Biblical principals are integrated into every subject taught at our school. Our staff is committed not only to academic excellence, but also to teaching students how to apply the truths of God's Word to every aspect of life. If you agree with the teaching of God's Word, this school will complement the beliefs and ideals your child is taught at home. We look forward to partnering with you to educate your child in God's truth.

Respectfully,  
The School Board of Somerset Christian School

Deut. 23:21 "If you make a vow to the Lord your God, do not be slow to pay it, for the Lord your God will certainly demand it of you and you will be guilty of sin."



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## STANDARDS FOR EVALUATING PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

### A. Spiritual Considerations

- Personal Christian commitment of parents and students
- Willingness of parents and student(s) to be supportive of the school's Christian philosophy of education.
- Willingness of parents and student(s) to support the administration and faculty in carrying out the goals and programs of the school.

### B. Behavioral Considerations

- History of unacceptable citizenship during previous school experience
- Agreement of parents and student(s) to abide by the behavioral standards established by the school.

### C. Academic Considerations

- Documented record of acceptable grades in previous school experience.
- Acceptable scores on achievement tests.
- If an IEP, 504 plan, or PBSP is in effect, modifications and accommodations must be those that can be easily managed by our staff.

### D. Personal Considerations

- Student's special interests, talents, and skills.
- School makes no distinction in its admission policy on the basis of race, color, or national/ethnic origin.

## ADMISSION DOCUMENTS

### Enclosed in this packet is the following information:

- **Enrollment Form:** To be considered for admission to Somerset Christian School for the 2024-25 school year. Please complete the application and return to the school office. Registration is \$35.00 for all new students.
- **Scholarship Forms:** There are several scholarships for financial aid: the EITC Scholarship, the WPA-CMA Scholarship, Faye Burwell Igou Memorial Scholarship, and the Gary Wayne Shaffer Scholarship. If you would like more information on these scholarships, please see attached form.
- **Meet the Teacher Flyer** (this comes out in August)
- **Student Handbook** (The handbook is subject to change before the start of the new school year).

"But you are not like that, for you are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God's very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light."