



TEMPLE BAPTIST ACADEMY HOME SCHOOL PROGRAM

Mission and Purpose

The Home School program has been established for the purpose of supporting families who have chosen to formally educate their children at home. As a part of Temple Baptist Academy, the Home School program serves as a legal option for families to teach their children at home and provides a variety of services for students in grades K through 12.

Admission Requirements

- Families must be faithful, active members of a Bible-preaching church.
- Students must be a member of their home site family.
- Students must be in grades K through 12.
- K5 students must be 5 years old on or before August 15 of the current year.
- Tennessee Health Record (Immunizations, physical exam, copy of birth certificate)
- The parent-teacher must have a high school diploma or a GED.

Administration of the Home School Program

A coordinator chosen by the administration of Temple Baptist Academy shall oversee the Home School program. The coordinator will report to and communicate with the Academy administration. Parent-teacher questions and concerns should be referred to the coordinator.

Grade and attendance reports must be submitted to the home school coordinator on or before January 15 for the fall semester and on or before June 15 for the spring semester. Appropriate forms will be provided. Compulsory attendance laws in the state of Tennessee require that children ages 6 through 17 meet minimum class attendance requirements of 180 days, 4 hours per day, for the school year.

The parent-teacher is required to keep a notebook/folder for each student containing all graded work (assignments, quizzes, tests, etc.).

Student activity reports reflecting the family's faithful attendance to church must be submitted to the home school coordinator on or before January 15 for the fall semester and on or before June 15 for the spring semester.

All required health forms, Individual Education Plans (grades 9-12 only), and curriculum forms must be completed and on file with the home school coordinator by September 1 of the current school year. Late enrollees or transfer students must submit all applicable forms upon enrollment.

Students are expected to follow all guidelines and rules that would apply from the Temple Baptist Academy Student Handbook. The public appearance of students should be Christ-honoring and consistent with what is expected of all students enrolled in the Academy.

Parents and students living within a driving distance of one (1) hour should make plans to attend the following special meetings:

- *Parent/Student Orientation* (August)
- *World Mission Conference* (October)
- *Faithful Men's Meeting* (January)
- *Independent Baptist Friends International* (April)
- *Temple High School Graduation* (May)

Academic Evaluation

All students enrolled in grades 1 – 11 will be administered the Stanford Achievement Test each year. Kindergarten testing is optional. In addition to the Stanford Achievement Test, students in grade 11 will take the PSAT/NMSQT and all senior high students must take the ACT before receiving a diploma. Student test results will be provided to the parent-teacher.

Elementary students will be promoted upon satisfactory completion of their core curriculum. Students in kindergarten through sixth grade may not earn credit for more than one grade level per year and all grade levels must be completed in succession.

Prior to the beginning of each school year, students enrolled in grades 9 – 12 will meet with the home school program coordinator to develop or update the student's IEP. This will insure that all academic requirements for graduation are being met and that the student is on schedule for graduation at the appropriate time. A student must carry a minimum of four (4) full credits each year and may earn a maximum of eight (8) credits in a given year. Any student who plans to complete all graduation requirements in less than four years must give written notification and submit an approved IEP no later than the beginning of the sophomore year. A high school diploma will be awarded upon satisfactory completion of 26 units of study, fulfillment of all financial obligations, and the submission of official ACT results.

Semester grades and standardized test results will be considered an adequate measure of a student's capability and progress. Assistance outside the primary classroom is available for students whose grades and test results do not indicate an acceptable level of achievement or progress.

Student Fees

Registration Fee

K5 through Grade 8	\$65 per student
Grades 9 through 12	\$125 per student

Testing Fee \$50 per student

Graduation Fees

Kindergarten	\$50 per student
High School Senior	\$100 per student

Registration fees will increase \$10 per student after July 1st. If you have any questions regarding the enrollment process, please contact the Academy office.

The *PSAT/NMSQT* (Grade 11) and the *ACT* (Grades 11 & 12) require additional fees. School Code for the ACT 431-902.

Information regarding individual class costs (such as choir, band, etc.), athletic costs, and general activity fees will be available upon request.