



OKEECHOBEE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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SCHOOL CODE: 0649

CEEB CODE: 101249

ADMINISTRATION: Mrs. Melissa King, Principal

COMMUNITY: Okeechobee County has eight public education institutions consisting of five elementary schools, two middle schools, and one high school divided between two campuses. In addition, Okeechobee has four private schools available for students through eighth grade, but only one of these private schools also serves high school students--Okeechobee Christian Academy.

SCHOOL: Okeechobee Christian Academy (OCA) is an interdenominational school that exists to serve all in the Okeechobee area by providing an education that is Christ-centered, Bible-based, and academically distinguished.

Okeechobee Christian Academy began as Grace Christian Schools, a ministry of the Grace Brethren Church of Okeechobee in August of 1976 with a student body of eighteen. The school has advanced considerably from its humble beginning of three grades and two teachers. We now have programs from K5 to 12th grade and students participating in dual enrollment at Indian River State College.

ACCREDITATION: Florida Coalition of Christian Private School Accreditation (FCCPSA) since 2011, AdvancEd (now Cognia) since 2015.

AFFILIATIONS: Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), since 1979; Florida Department of Education (FDOE), since the 2011-2012 school year.

CALENDAR: 36 weeks; 4 grading periods. The policy is consistent with the Florida Board of Education Rule 6A-1.045111 of at least 180 actual school days and not less than 720 net instructional hours for students in kindergarten through grade three, and not less than 900 instructional hours for students in grades four through twelve.

ADMISSIONS: The admissions process is designed to ensure a student's readiness and potential for having a successful and rewarding experience at Okeechobee Christian Academy and to determine proper academic placement. It also plays a valuable role in confirming compatibility in Christian values, philosophy, and essential beliefs between the Christian home and school. The admissions process includes an interview with prospective students and their parents, a review of previous school performance, and admissions testing.

FACULTY: 1 Administrator. 16 Teachers (19% advanced degrees); 12 Support Staff

Student Body	Grades K5-12	213 Students
Staff-To-Student Ratio: 1:8		
Elementary	K5-6	143
Secondary	7-12	70
Senior Class	12	9

GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA) CALCULATION AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

GPA is computed using quality points for any high school level course taken. All subjects, whether passed or failed, are included in the computation. Honors and Dual Enrollment classes are weighted by one point. Grades are recorded and GPA is recalculated after any course is posted on the transcript. Course and Grade promotions require a C-average or higher. A minimum of 24 credits is required for graduation. In addition, each student must complete 100 hours of community service.

GRADING SCALE AND QUALITY POINTS:

Letter	Percentage points	Quality points
A	90-100	4.0
B	80-89	3.0
C	70-79	2.0
D	60-69	1.0
F	0-59	0.0

SECONDARY COURSES OFFERED (varies slightly by academic year)

English I	Algebra I & II	Biology	American History	Bible
American Literature	Geometry	Physical Science	World History	Spanish I & II
British Literature	Financial Alg.	Chemistry	American Government	Culinary
World Literature		Earth & Space	Economics	Yearbook
				Career Experience
				Speech

REQUIRED CREDITS FOR GRADUATION, FOR A MINIMUM TOTAL OF 24.00 CREDITS:

English 4.00	Bible Electives 1.00-4.00 (1.00 required per enrollment year)
Mathematics 4.00	Open Electives 3.00-6.00 (Students enrolled fewer than four secondary academic years at OCA will need to supplement Bible electives with Open electives to meet the minimum requirement of 24.00 credits.)
Science 3.00	
History 3.00	
Physical Education 1.00	
Foreign Language 2.00	

POST HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT:

Class of 2023	7	100%
College/University	7	100%
Workforce	0	0%

COLLEGE MATRICULATION, Past 4 Years:**In-State:**

Broward College
 Florida Gulf Coast University
 Indian River State College
 Southeastern University
 University of Central Florida
 University of Florida
 Word of Life Bible College

Out-of-State:

Mount Vernon Nazarene University, OH
 Trevecca Nazarene University, TN
 Georgia Southwestern State University, Americus, GA

STANDARDIZED TESTING: SAT 100% of OCA students enrolled in 12th grade took the SAT (March/April 2023)

Mean Scores	OCA	National
Overall	1110	826
Evidence-Based Reading & Writing	576	434
Math	534	393