



**Christian Education Seeking to Reclaim Identity, Impart Knowledge,
and Illuminate Hearts Towards the Promised Land**

Parent/Student Handbook

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Our focus at Exodus Academy is to provide excellent, Christ-centered education to the families of the Upstate of SC. We value a comprehensive education with a competitive curriculum, while also working to foster growth for students mentally, emotionally, physically, and spiritually. We strive to guide students in developing a biblical worldview that helps them grow in wisdom and knowledge. We encourage parents to be highly involved in their child(ren)'s education, and to share their gifts in areas of service and leadership.

Non-Discrimination Policy

Exodus Academy welcomes students of any race, color, sex, nationality, and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally made available to students at the school. Exodus Academy does not discriminate on any basis of race, color, or national and ethnic origin in the administration of our educational policies, admissions policies, hiring practices, scholarships, athletics or other school-administered programs.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Clear communication between parents, students, and the school is vital to the success of our mission. We are in partnership together in pursuit of a common goal. There are many ways for parents and students to stay informed of school information:

WEBSITE: educationwithexodus.com

PHONE: [Exodus Academy Whatsapp](#)

EMAIL: enrollwithexodus@gmail.com

PORTAL: [Classe365](#)

SOCIAL MEDIA: [Exodus Academy Facebook Page](#)

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

In alignment with our school vision, Exodus Academy strives for each student to be equipped with the following:

- A broad knowledge of the Bible, including Scripture memory verses and an understanding of the nature and person of Jesus Christ
- Tools to develop a biblical worldview, integrating that knowledge into daily decision-making and actions
- An understanding of what it means to be an integral part of a valuable community and how to contribute and work collaboratively towards the shared goals of the group
- A well-rounded education with a rigorous curriculum, and extracurriculars provided to enhance the learning process

Program Offerings

1. Full-Time Private School for 5K-12th grade
2. Homeschool Hybrid Drop-Off Program

Our Homeschool Hybrid Program offers 2-Day or 3-Day commitments for homeschooling families. Upon signing the Financial Agreement during Enrollment, families will choose their drop-off days. It is important for Hybrid students to attend only on their designated school days. If a student is absent, Exodus Academy offers Hybrid students 2 make-up days per semester. It is the expectation that Hybrid families meet their financial obligations as signed in the Financial Agreement, regardless if their child is absent.

Curriculum

We aim to provide a well-rounded education that nurtures growth across core academic subjects and creative disciplines, including language arts, mathematics, science, history, world languages, the arts, physical education, and STEM. We utilize several curriculums to aid the gifted educators we employ. Each curriculum is approved by accreditation in South Carolina and meets state and educational standards.

Singapore Math	The Good & The Beautiful	Campfire Curriculums
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ADMISSION

At the time of enrollment or registration, the parent or guardian must supply Exodus Academy with all of the following:

1. The child's birth certificate or another document suitable as proof of the child's identity.
2. A copy of the child's records from the school the child most recently attended if he or she was previously enrolled in a school in South Carolina or in another state.
3. A record showing that the child has the immunizations required by the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC), proof that the child is not required to be immunized, or proof that the child is entitled to provisional admission.
4. Previous record of social, behavioral, or mental health issues. (If evidence of nondisclosure occurs after acceptance, the student could become subject to dismissal.)
5. Homeschool Hybrid students are required to submit documentation verifying their tier and homeschool association, in accordance with South Carolina state regulations.

In addition, the parent or guardian is expected to complete the following:

1. Read and sign the Parent/Student Handbook
2. Pay tuition and fees according to the signed Financial Agreement
3. Meet with the Principal to assess the student's academic motivation and potential impact on the culture of the school

Financial Obligations

All accounts are due and payable by the agreed-upon date each month. In the event that an account becomes 30 days past due, the responsible party must promptly contact the Financial Manager to discuss payment arrangements. Failure to make contact or arrange a payment plan will result in the student being unable to attend Exodus Academy until the outstanding balance is settled in full.

If tuition payments are one week late, a \$25.00 late fee will be added to the account. An additional \$25.00 fee will be applied for each subsequent week, up to a maximum of \$100.00 in late fees. After the fourth week of non-payment, if the account remains unpaid and no separate arrangements have been made with the Financial Manager, a dismissal will be enforced, and the student will not be allowed to attend school until the account is brought current.

Additionally, all school records and report cards will be withheld until all tuition and other school fees are paid in full at the conclusion of the school year.

Please note that weekly payments, as outlined in the Tuition Agreement, are required regardless of whether school is in session. These payments secure your child's enrollment, not daily attendance. No adjustments will be made for student absences or family vacations.

We understand that circumstances may arise, and we are committed to working with families to ensure that all financial obligations are met in a timely and respectful manner. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Withdrawal / Dismissal

In the event of a student withdrawal during the school year, families are required to provide formal notice to the Financial Manager. One additional month of tuition (30-day withdrawal fee) will be charged to allow adequate time to find a suitable replacement for the vacant spot. As a small school, this policy helps us maintain stability within the classroom and supports our staff and students by minimizing disruption.

Student records will not be released until all outstanding balances are paid in full and all school materials are returned in good condition.

Students who are dismissed from Exodus Academy will not be eligible for re-enrollment for a minimum of six months from the date of dismissal. This policy is in place to maintain the integrity and continuity of the learning environment for all students.

SCHOOL RECORDS

Full-Time Students

Progress Reports/Report Cards will be sent out each quarter and semester. Parents can login to the Portal anytime to check on student progress.

Hybrid Students

Our Homeschool Hybrid students will not receive official grades from Exodus Academy. Homeschooling families should be enrolled with a Homeschool Association to be in compliance with current laws in South Carolina. Please visit the [South Carolina Department of Education](#) website for more information.

All school records and report cards will be withheld until all tuition and other school fees are paid in full at the conclusion of the school year.

Parent Teacher Conferences

Exodus Academy will host Parent-Teacher Conferences each semester during the academic year. Those dates are noted in our Academic Calendar, found on the website. However, a parent teacher conference may be requested by staff or parents at any time during the year.

Classe365

Exodus Academy uses Classe365 to manage student records, grades, assignments, and communication. Please check the platform weekly for updates. Teachers will post lesson plans and weekly breakdowns under the General Discussion Board, along with assignments, additional resources, and class activities.

- Parents can view student profiles, grades, attendance, and updates.
- Students access courses, discussion boards, and assignments.

Standardized Assessments

Standardized assessments are required for full-time students and conducted during the school year using the IOWA State Assessments for benchmarking and accreditation purposes. Hybrid students are not required to participate but may opt in for a fee if desired. During testing days, hybrid students will work from home unless they are scheduled to test. Membership fees remain due as normal, regardless of participation in testing.

GRADING GUIDELINES

Students enrolled at Exodus Academy in 5K will adhere to the following grading criteria:

Progress Areas	Progress Measure
Reading	M: The student consistently meets or exceeds end-of-year expectations for this standard.
Writing & Language	P: The student shows expected growth/progress in meeting this end-of-year standard.
Communication	B: The student is beginning to progress toward meeting this end-of-year standard.
Science	N: The student needs intensive support at school and home to develop this end-of-year standard.
Mathematics	
Social Studies	

All 1st-12th Grade students enrolled at Exodus Academy will adhere to the following grading criteria:

A 100-90	B 89-80	C 79-70	D 69-60	F 0-59
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Diploma Requirements

High School students enrolled at Exodus Academy will adhere to the following requirements for earning their South Carolina High School Diploma:

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>UNITS</u>
English	4
Mathematics (Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II)	4
Science (Physical Science, Biology, Chemistry or Physics)	4
Social Studies (American History, European History, Government/Economics 1/2 each)	3
Foreign Language (two units of the same language)	2
Physical Education	1
Computer Science	1
Electives	8

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Our school day at Exodus Academy begins at 9 AM. Students may be dropped off for school beginning at 7:15 AM.

Our After-School Program is a service provided for all students from 2:30-5:15 for a weekly fee. Students not picked up by 2:30 PM will be charged for the After-School Program fee for the week.

Only authorized individuals (listed on the registration form) may pick up a student. If someone not on the list needs to pick up a child, the parent/guardian must contact the school in advance and the individual must show a photo ID.

Regular attendance at school is a responsibility of the parents. Full-time students are expected to be present and on time for school each school day. Attendance records are kept and noted on the report card each quarter.

Following any absence, students should bring a note from a doctor or their parents. Absences due to illness or extenuating circumstances will be excused.

Excessive Absences

Full-Time students who are excessively absent will be in danger of failing courses, and in extreme cases, grade level retention. Students are allowed 10 absences per year that are unexcused. All other absences must be documented with an excuse of a medical note or an agreement between the Principal and parent for an extenuating circumstance.

Tardiness Policy

Students are expected to arrive at school on time each day, ready for instruction by 9:00 AM. Students arriving after 9:00 AM will be considered tardy and must be signed in by a parent or guardian at the front office.

Chronic tardiness disrupts learning and may affect a student's academic progress. After 5 unexcused tardies in a quarter, a conference may be scheduled with the parent and administration to address the pattern.

Emergency School Closings

From time to time, the school will be closed due to inclement weather. The school will communicate emergency closures through the Portal, Email, and our Facebook Page. When applicable, the school will enforce E-Learning Day procedures.

Unexpected Long-Term Closings

In the event of long-term closings necessitated by natural disasters, widespread illnesses, or other extenuating circumstances, Exodus Academy will implement E-Learning Days. Students will attend online meetings and turn in all assignments as required by their Teachers during any long-term closings. Tuition and fees must continue to be paid per the financial agreement signed during the enrollment process.

Health & Wellness Policy

Students must remain at home if they have a fever of 100.4°F or higher, are vomiting, or show signs of contagious illness. They may return to school only after being symptom-free for at least 24 hours without the aid of medication.

All medications must be stored in the school office and will be administered by authorized staff only with a completed and signed permission form.

Minor injuries are treated with basic first aid on site. Parents will be notified promptly if an injury requires care beyond this level.

Our licensed nurse oversees all health-related protocols and responds to medical emergencies as needed. All of our staff are certified in CPR, First Aid, AED, and Bloodborne Pathogen Protocols.

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Respect for Authority: Students should show respect for teachers, administrators, and all school staff. Ephesians 6:1-3

Academic Integrity: Uphold honesty and integrity in all academic work, adhering to the principles of truthfulness and fairness. Proverbs 12:22

Dress Code: Follow a modest dress code that reflects Christian values, emphasizing decency and propriety. 1 Timothy 2:9-10

Behavioral Standards: Maintain behavior that reflects Christian virtues such as kindness, patience, and self-control. Galatians 5:22-23

Attendance and Punctuality: Attend all classes and school activities regularly and punctually, recognizing the importance of diligence and commitment. Colossians 3:23

Respect for Others: Treat fellow students with kindness, empathy, and compassion, following the example of Jesus Christ. Matthew 22:39

Language and Communication: Use respectful and edifying language, avoiding profanity, gossip, or any form of communication that may be hurtful or divisive. Ephesians 4:29

Respect for Property: Respect school property and the property of others, understanding the importance of stewardship and responsibility. Luke 16:10

Community Service and Outreach: Encourage participation in community service and outreach activities, fostering a spirit of generosity and service. Matthew 25:35-36

These expectations aim to create a positive and nurturing environment aligned with biblical principles, fostering the holistic development of students in mind, body, and spirit.

DISCIPLINE POLICY

It is important that a disciplinary system focuses the goal on nurturing and instructing students toward self-discipline and maturity. With this in mind, the following guidelines will be used to help determine the consequences when a student violates the rules at Exodus Academy.

Classroom Behavior

Our teachers are committed to supporting students' success in the classroom. If a student is struggling behaviorally, the teacher will reach out to parents via phone or email to discuss the concerns. We believe in a collaborative approach and work closely with parents to help students overcome challenges and achieve success. If needed, a personalized behavior plan will be developed and implemented to support the student's progress and ensure a positive learning environment.

Consequences for Broken Expectations

At Exodus Academy, we believe in addressing each infraction on a case-by-case basis. The consequence for each situation will be determined by the nature of the offense, the student's individual needs, and their behavioral history. Below is a general list of potential consequences that may be implemented at Exodus Academy:

- Parental involvement, such as conferences
- Loss of privileges
- Removal from the classroom
- Behavior plan
- In-school suspension
- Detention during lunch or recess
- Restitution (when applicable)
- Exclusion from extracurricular activities
- Student reflection activities
- Out-of-school suspension

Exodus Academy reserves the right to refuse service to any student if we determine that we cannot adequately meet their needs. Additionally, we reserve the right to refuse service to any student that threatens, strikes, or otherwise harms staff or fellow students. In cases of violent behavior, expulsion may occur without prior written notice. Furthermore, if any parent or guardian of a student exhibits aggressive or violent behavior toward staff or students while on campus, it will result in immediate expulsion of the student.

DRESS CODE POLICY

The below outlined dress code aims to bring student appearance to a modest and comfortable standard, in which academics and childhood can be the focus, while allowing for individualism.

Modesty: All clothing should be modest and not overly revealing. Tops should cover the chest area completely, and bottoms should cover the thighs appropriately, even when sitting or bending.

No Offensive Graphics or Language: Clothing should not display offensive language, images, or symbols contrary to biblical values.

Appropriate Fit: Clothing should fit well. Avoid clothing that is excessively form-fitting or excessively loose.

Skirt and Dresses: Skirts and dresses should be of an appropriate length, reaching the top of the knee when standing. Slits in skirts or dresses should not be excessively high.

No Ripped or Torn Clothing: Clothing should be free from rips, tears, or holes, except for intentional distressing that is modest and appropriate.

No Excessive or Inappropriate Accessories: Accessories such as jewelry or piercings should not be excessive or distracting. Items that promote violence, drug use, or any other behavior contrary to Exodus Academy values are prohibited.

Personal Hygiene: Students should maintain good personal hygiene and grooming habits, including clean and neat hair, appropriate use of deodorant, and cleanliness of clothing. Students may not bring body sprays, perfumes, or colognes to school as a safety precaution to protect students and staff with respiratory concerns.

Exodus Academy places the responsibility for the daily appearance of each child on the parents. We reserve the right to make any necessary changes to these expectations in order to maintain a positive school climate.

CELL PHONE / TECHNOLOGY POLICY

Students are permitted to use their cell phones/devices during designated break times, such as recess and lunch periods. However, these items should not be used during instructional time unless directed by a teacher for a specific educational purpose. During class, cell phones/devices should be turned on silent/vibrate and be placed in the student's backpack.

In certain instances, teachers may incorporate cell phones/devices into classroom activities for educational purposes, such as research, interactive learning apps, or accessing online resources. In such cases, device usage will be closely monitored and guided by the teacher.

Students are reminded to use their cell phones/devices responsibly and to uphold biblical values in their digital interactions. This includes refraining from engaging in inappropriate or disrespectful communication, accessing inappropriate content, or participating in cyberbullying or harassment.

Responsibility for Personal Devices

Students are solely responsible for the security and care of their personal devices while on school premises. The school is not liable for any loss, theft, or damage to personal devices brought onto campus.

Internet Policy

All internet use at Exodus Academy is filtered and monitored for safety. Students may only access educational websites and tools approved by staff. Downloading games or media without permission is not allowed. Students are taught digital responsibility and internet safety as part of their curriculum.

Misuse of devices or internet access will result in disciplinary action and may require a parent meeting.

Consequences for Violations

Violations of the cell phone policy may result in disciplinary action, including confiscation of the device, parental notification, or other consequences as determined by school administration.

LUNCH / SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS

Parents or guardians are responsible for providing nutritious, well-balanced lunches for their children each school day. We encourage lunches that include a variety of food groups, such as fruits, vegetables, lean proteins, whole grains, and dairy or dairy alternatives. To promote healthy habits, we ask parents to limit overly processed or sugary foods and prioritize fresh, wholesome ingredients.

Exodus Academy offers special lunch days at a cost of \$6 per day. These meals include options from Chick-Fil-A, Little Caesars and more in the local Inman Community that is subject to change. Additionally, we provide daily lunch options for the remainder of the week at a cost of \$4 per day. Lunch choices are available on our website at www.educationwithexodus.com, under the "For Parents" tab. Parents may order directly from the site, with orders due by the Sunday prior to each week to ensure accurate meal counts.

Exodus Academy provides facilities and equipment to support students in storing and heating their lunches, if needed. This includes refrigerators for perishable items and microwave ovens for heating meals. Students are responsible for using these facilities safely and appropriately, under the supervision of school staff.

Allergies

Parents must disclose any student allergies to school staff. If a severe allergy is noted, communication will be sent to families regarding any items that must be excluded from lunches or snacks to ensure student safety.

Special Celebrations

Exodus Academy enjoys celebrating the birthdays and special holidays of our students in a manner that fosters a sense of community, joy, and inclusivity. We believe that these occasions provide valuable opportunities to cultivate relationships and create lasting memories.

Parents may send in treats or small gifts for birthday celebrations, but all items must follow our healthy eating guidelines and be free from allergens or dietary restrictions.

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PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

It is the responsibility of each family at Exodus Academy to read and acknowledge the contents of our Parent/Student Handbook each academic year.

Student Name (Include all students currently enrolled at Exodus Academy within your family.)

I have read and discussed with my child(ren) the policies of Exodus Academy, as outlined in the Parent/Student Handbook and commit to upholding the expectations and agreements within.

Parent/Guardian Name (PRINT)	Parent/Guardian Name (SIGNATURE)

Date Signed:	
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