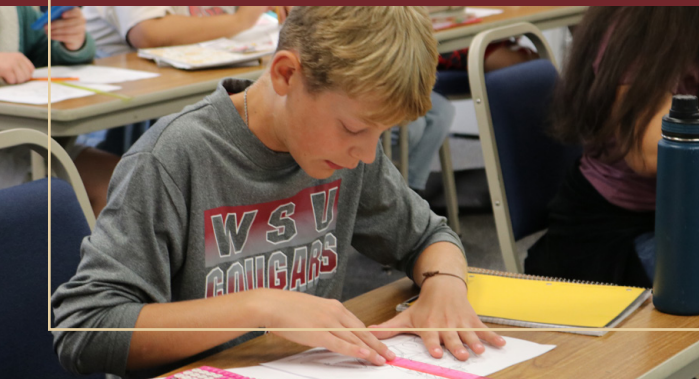




Sunnyside Christian School



Cultivating GIFTS THROUGH Christ-Centered Education



A Parent Information
Packet for
Sunnyside Christian School
Preschool - Grade 12

Sunnyside, WA

sunnysidechristianschool.org

What Are Your
BIGGEST
Priorities
as you consider
school options
in our area?



Alignment with your family's values?
Safety?

Academic potential?

*I believe our core values have something to offer you won't find elsewhere,
and I'm delighted you're considering Sunnyside Christian School.*

A commitment to quality, Christ-centered education and preparing students for the future permeate everything we do in and around the classroom. This approach enables us to educate the whole child — body, mind, and spirit — as we develop an academic foundation for a lifetime of learning.

Today we will tell you about our school — a connected and thriving community. At Sunnyside Christian School, families don't need to choose between an outstanding, faith-based education or a college-prep program with a challenging curriculum and enrichments for well-rounded learning. We're pleased to offer all these things because we understand how God can use everything about your child's environment to shape them into the confident young man or woman they will become by graduation day.

Friendships, faculty mentoring, a rigorous curriculum, and spiritual formation all foster the most important things you could give your child: a strong start in life, an excellent education, and a desire to bless and serve others. We hope to meet you and your child one day soon. After reading this overview of Sunnyside Christian School, [schedule a tour](#) so you can see what we're about firsthand.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dana Clark". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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SUNNYSIDE CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

Ages 3-4 years

**A loving, safe environment where creativity
and playful learning meet**

Our primary goal at this age is to help children experience the fun and joy that leads to an early excitement about learning.





At SCS, your child will:



- ◆ Feel known and cared for, with our optimal class sizes (15:2 student-to-teacher ratio) that provide personalized attention
- ◆ Grow in a nurturing atmosphere where teachers model Christ-centered values
- ◆ Learn more about God, and be immersed in various hands-on experiences, such as learning language arts and math through games, crafts, music, and movement
- ◆ Have an in-depth understanding of how things work in the real world through field trips to local businesses (post office, bank, farms, and more)

As a preschool parent, you can expect:

DEDICATED and experienced staff who will prioritize your child's safety

OPEN COMMUNICATION between the home and school

AN EDUCATION where God's Word is front and center in every aspect of learning

THE RIGHT BALANCE of structure and free time so preschoolers understand how to follow instructions

AN ATMOSPHERE that fosters physical, social, emotional, and cognitive development through play-based activities

Preschool Programs

3-Year-Olds

Tuesdays and Thursdays

- ◆ 8:30-10:30 a.m.

4-Year-Olds

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays

- ◆ **Morning Option:** 8:30-11 a.m.
- ◆ **Afternoon Option:** 12:30-3 p.m.



KINDERGARTEN

5 years old by September 1

Exploring their natural curiosity

Each child learns at their own pace, and knowing when your child is ready to start kindergarten can be a challenging decision.

*How will they perform academically? Will they thrive socially?
And what type of learning environment will best meet their needs?*

At Sunnyside Christian School, we've built our program with the flexibility to give children the continuity they need if they have been in preschool while also creating space and support for children stepping into their first school experience.





Our Kindergartners Flourish Through:

CARE AND SUPPORT

Through our small class sizes, teachers can understand every child's learning styles and unique needs. Routines in the classroom are established so kindergartners have a sense of familiarity and security as they go about their day.

A STIMULATING ENVIRONMENT

Expect a safe, comfortable, yet stimulating atmosphere for children, where they'll develop their motor skills in our playgrounds and gym. They will also have the opportunity to cultivate their unique gifts in our music room and classroom learning centers.

AN ACTIVE LEARNING APPROACH

We implement hands-on learning in all subjects — whether children are discovering how plants grow through a science project, understanding addition by counting blocks, or being challenged in their Math and Literacy Centers; our kindergartners' days are filled with engaging activities that encourage deep understanding.

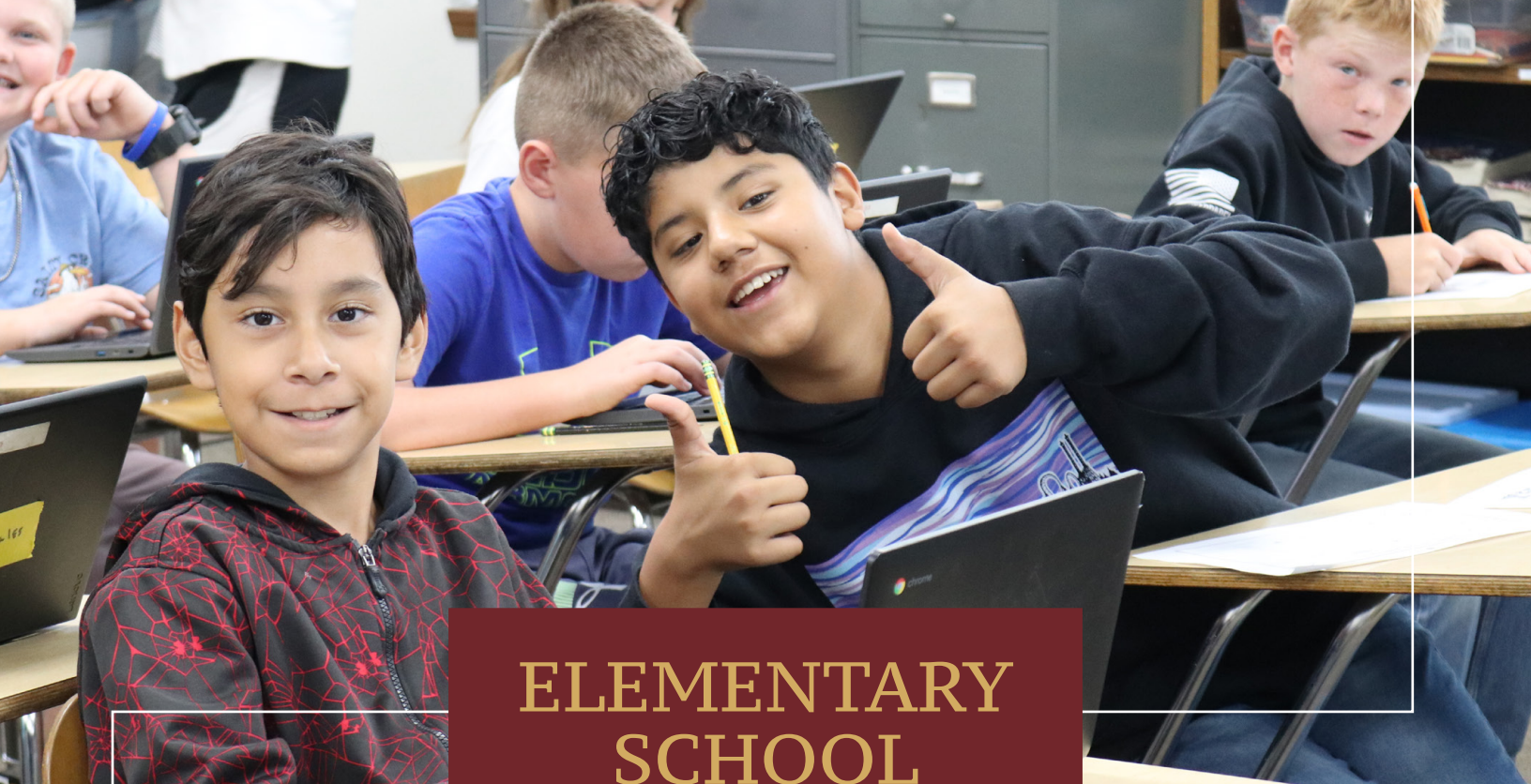
AN ENCOURAGING ATMOSPHERE

Our kindergarten teachers are creative, patient, energetic, and positive individuals who model Christ's love in and out of the classroom. Teachers foster an environment where children feel safe to share their thoughts and feelings while guiding them to respond with love and kindness to one another.



Meet a kindergarten teacher on your campus tour.

Come see our kindergarten classroom and meet the teacher! To set up your campus tour, email our admissions team at dana.clark@sunnysidechristianschool.org.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PreK - Grade 5

Building a strong foundation for lifelong learners

Elementary students are engaged in hands-on exploration in a socially and emotionally supportive space. It's a time when deep and lasting friendships are formed, and students are challenged in an atmosphere that is collaborative and nurturing. Our small class sizes allow for differentiated instruction, which honors children as individuals who learn and develop at their own pace.





ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Students will find a fun and challenging curriculum that includes Bible, a comprehensive English Language Arts program (reading/phonics, writing, spelling, grammar, and handwriting), math, science, and social studies.

BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW:

Our elementary students are engaged in an environment that cultivates the love of God in word and deed. Teachers constantly model our Christ-centered core values, while a Student of the Month Award is given to those who exemplify character growth. Small-group chapel, daily devotions, mentorships, and service projects help students discover God's Word as they lead purposeful lives.

ENRICHED LEARNING:

At SCS, we prioritize a well-rounded learning experience. Beyond the core subjects, your child will have excellent opportunities to explore unique interests through specials such as music, physical education, library, STEM, art, and keyboarding.

“The SCS community is an extended family for my kids. I know the teachers, staff, students, and parents all care about my kids. They are encouraged in their learning, friendships, and spiritual growth by so many in the community on a daily basis. The education that my children have received at SCS is amazing! They are challenged to do their best daily and have teachers who meet their needs. We are so thankful for all the hard work all the staff at SCS puts in.”

**~ Michael and Stephanie Dalrymple,
SCS Elementary Parents**



JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Grades 6-8

Cultivating Emerging Gifts and Academic Interests

Middle school is when our students really start to come into their own. They're busy discovering new passions and talents while also starting to better understand who they are and what they stand for. We prepare them for what's ahead by challenging them with a more rigorous curriculum and encouraging them to be more involved in our learning community.

At Sunnyside Christian School, we introduce middle schoolers to what's possible and instill in them the confidence and spiritual foundation they need to achieve it:

- ◆ Academic preparation through a robust and well-rounded curriculum that builds the foundations for high school readiness
- ◆ A connected community where teachers collaborate and get to know students by their names and discover their distinct personalities
- ◆ A program that emphasizes a biblical worldview, teaching middle schoolers what it means to honor God and serve others
- ◆ The opportunity to develop healthy relationships with peers and mentors through involvement in clubs, student organizations, and team sports
- ◆ Essential life skills needed for success in high school, college, and careers, including self-discipline, initiative, teamwork, and empathy

“As parents of children who attend Sunnyside Christian School, we can affirm this institution offers a high standard of education, student care, and spiritual growth. We appreciate the open communication between parents and students, which allows us to be involved in our kids’ education. Knowing our children spend their days learning about all aspects of this world from a biblical perspective is the best choice my husband and I could have made for them.”

~ Scott and Melanie Smeenk, Alumni Parents of 9th and 12th Grade Students



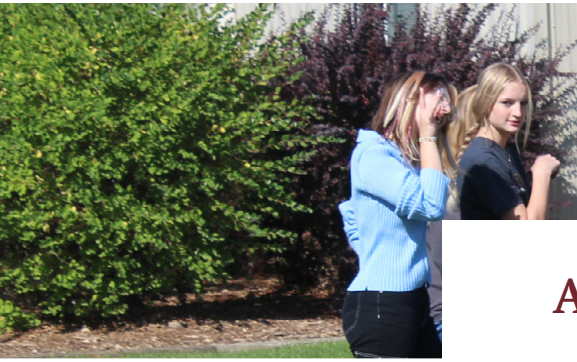
HIGH SCHOOL

Grades 9–12

A Capstone Education Experience for Young Adults

By the time our students reach high school, they are well on their way to being independent thinkers, organized time managers, and problem-solvers. Our academic program is enriched with stimulating extracurriculars, inspiring experiences, and leadership opportunities. We see high school as a time of bringing together all the threads of student development for academic, physical, and spiritual formation.





At SCS, high schoolers:



- ◆ Are academically, spiritually, socially, and physically equipped for their future calling, whether it's college, technical school, workforce, military, or ministry
- ◆ Deepen their faith and develop a heart to love and serve others through a program that emphasizes a Christ-centered worldview
- ◆ Enjoy a healthy, competitive atmosphere as they strive to excel in academics, arts, athletics, and leadership opportunities
- ◆ Gain crucial life skills such as organization, flexibility, perseverance, creativity, and resourcefulness to achieve success in various college programs or learning tracks
- ◆ Receive support from teachers and staff who accommodate unique learning styles and abilities
- ◆ Enhance their expertise in agriculture with our exceptional vocational program

“At this time, as Christian freedoms are revoked and unabashedly contested in our public schools, what a privilege and freedom it is to provide an education that immerses our children in the Christian worldview! From Kindergarten to senior year, and from maintenance to music teacher, I find peace knowing my kids are in the hands of loving Christian professionals who can freely express their love of God to our children!”

~ Dan and Michelle DeBoer,
Alumni and Parents of 9th, 11th
and a recently graduated student

Opportunities for growth outside the classroom:

- ◆ Service projects
- ◆ Clubs and extracurricular activities
- ◆ Rotary student representative
- ◆ Student Council leadership





We can't wait to meet you.

When it comes to choosing a school for your child, nothing compares to experiencing the learning environment firsthand! Our campus tours will give you the best sense of what we have to offer and provide you with the opportunity to connect with someone who can answer your specific questions.



What to Expect On Your Campus Tour

Explore our beautiful campus by [scheduling a personal tour](#) with our admissions team. On your tour, you will have the chance to see:

- ◆ Our elementary and high school campuses, with age-appropriate and engaging classrooms for all grade levels
- ◆ The library and music room, places where your child can gain knowledge and enhance their creativity
- ◆ The gymnasium and playgrounds, where students develop physical skills while having fun with others
- ◆ Our students and teachers, actively engaged in our school community

Students can also join us for a shadow visit, where they will meet their teachers and interact with fellow students for a part of a day or full day. It's a great opportunity to see if SCS is the right fit for your child.

Questions?

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Grades 9-12

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