High School at Harvest Christian Academy- Lantana

Growing in Wisdom, Faith, and Purpose

High school is a season of preparation, discovery, and growth. During these years, students deepen their academic understanding, explore their interests, strengthen their faith, and begin preparing for life beyond graduation. At Harvest Christian Academy, we want students to graduate ready for the next chapter—whether that means college, a career, or another path God places before them.

As a small Christian school, we value the opportunity to know our students personally, recognize their strengths, and encourage them as they grow. Our goal is to provide a challenging academic experience while helping students develop independence, critical thinking, leadership, and a strong foundation in biblical truth. We want our graduates to leave not only prepared for what comes next, but equipped to approach it with wisdom, integrity, and purpose.

Biblical Education: Developing a Faith That Shapes Life

Bible is an essential part of the high school experience, with students engaging in biblical study each year. Courses explore a range of topics, including biblical doctrines, biblical worldview, ethics, as well as studies on the Old and New Testament.

As students mature, they are encouraged to move beyond knowing what the Bible says to understanding how Scripture shapes what they believe and how they live. They examine foundational Christian beliefs, explore the overarching story of God's Word, and consider how biblical truth applies to relationships, decisions, culture, and the challenges they encounter in the world around them.

Our goal is to help students develop a thoughtful, grounded faith that can stand up to questions and guide their choices. We want graduates who understand what they believe, can thoughtfully explain their beliefs, and are prepared to live with Christlike character and a biblical perspective in every area of life.

English Language Arts: Reading, Writing, and Critical Thinking

High school English develops students' ability to read thoughtfully, write effectively, communicate clearly, and analyze ideas. Through the study of literature and other texts,

students explore themes, character development, historical and cultural contexts, author purpose, and the ways writers communicate meaning.

Students strengthen their writing through a variety of assignments that call for clear organization, sound reasoning, relevant evidence, and an appropriate voice. They continue to develop grammar, vocabulary, research, and revision skills while learning to evaluate information and express their ideas with confidence.

Literature studies include a variety of novels including both American and British works, giving students opportunities to consider different perspectives, examine enduring questions, and understand how literature reflects the human experience. These skills prepare students for college-level coursework, professional communication, and thoughtful engagement with the world around them.

Mathematics: Reasoning, Application, and Preparation for the Future

High school mathematics helps students develop logical reasoning, analytical thinking, and the ability to solve increasingly complex problems. As students progress through courses from Algebra I and Geometry to Consumer Math and Calculus, they build understanding of mathematical relationships, patterns, functions, measurement, and problem-solving strategies.

Students learn not only to find answers, but also to understand the processes behind them, explain their reasoning, and apply mathematical concepts in different situations. For students whose future plans call for additional mathematical study, advanced coursework provides opportunities to continue building these skills.

Across our mathematics offerings, we aim to prepare students for future academic demands while helping them recognize the value of sound reasoning and responsible decision-making.

Science: Investigation, Evidence, and Understanding God's Creation

High school science challenges students to investigate the natural world, analyze evidence, and develop a deeper understanding of the systems and processes that shape life and the universe. Students explore topics across the sciences from biology and anatomy and chemistry to physics.

Through scientific concepts and problem-solving, students strengthen their ability to ask questions, interpret information, recognize relationships, and support conclusions with evidence. They encounter the complexity of living systems, the properties and interactions of matter, the structure and function of the human body, and the principles governing motion, forces, and energy.

Science encourages curiosity, careful observation, and thoughtful investigation. At Harvest, students are also encouraged to approach the study of creation with wonder and an appreciation for the order and complexity of the world God has made.

History and Social Studies: Understanding Our World and Our Responsibility

High school history and social studies help students understand how people, ideas, cultures, and institutions have shaped the world. Through the study of geography andhistory, students explore the relationships between places, historical events, cultural developments, and the choices that influence societies.

While studying government and economics, students have the opportunity to develop an understanding of civic institutions, economic principles, public decision-making, and the responsibilities of citizenship. They practice examining information, considering different perspectives, evaluating evidence, and connecting historical developments to contemporary issues.

Our goal is to help students become informed, thoughtful individuals who can engage with the world around them, understand their responsibilities to others, and consider how their beliefs should shape their participation in their communities.

Spanish: Language and Cultural Understanding

Spanish instruction helps students develop communication skills while expanding their understanding of the world beyond their own experiences. Students build their knowledge of vocabulary, grammar, pronunciation, and language structures while developing skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

As students progress, they have opportunities to strengthen their ability to communicate in Spanish and explore the cultures and perspectives of Spanish-speaking communities. Language study encourages curiosity, flexibility, and an appreciation for people whose experiences may differ from their own.

Honors Opportunities: Challenge, Independence, and Deeper Learning

Harvest offers honors options in **English, Mathematics, Science, History, and Spanish** for students who are ready for additional academic challenges.

Our honors options are designed around year-long, project-based learning rather than simply adding another course to a student's schedule. Students have opportunities to investigate topics

more deeply, pursue questions with greater independence, and develop critical-thinking, research, problem-solving, and communication skills through sustained projects.

This approach encourages students to take ownership of their learning, make connections across ideas, and work through complex questions over time. Honors provides a way for students to extend their learning and pursue greater depth while continuing to engage with the broader school community.

Dual Credit: Taking the Next Step in College Preparation

Harvest offers a variety of dual-credit opportunities that allow eligible students to pursue college-level coursework while still in high school. These opportunities help students experience the expectations of higher education, strengthen their academic independence, and begin working toward future educational goals.

Dual credit can be an important part of a student's individual high school plan. Our goal is to help families understand available options and consider how they may fit each student's interests, readiness, and plans after graduation.

Electives: Exploring Interests and Developing New Skills

High school electives give students opportunities to explore interests, develop talents, and strengthen skills that extend beyond traditional academic coursework.

- **Art:** Students explore creativity and artistic expression through visual projects, techniques, and design.
- **Theatre:** Students develop confidence, collaboration, creativity, and communication through dramatic expression and performance.
- **Worship Team:** Students may participate vocally or instrumentally, using their musical gifts to help lead chapel worship and glorify God through music.
- **Equipped:** Students build practical skills related to organization, study habits, life management, and greater independence as they prepare for the responsibilities of adulthood.
- **Video Announcements:** Students contribute to school communication while developing skills in planning, presenting, and creating video content.

These courses allow students to engage in different forms of learning, discover areas of interest, and develop practical and creative abilities that can serve them well beyond high school.

Leadership and Community: Learning to Make a Difference

A small school community creates meaningful opportunities for students to be known, contribute, and grow as leaders. At Harvest, high school students have the opportunity to participate in student leadership through Student Council, National Honor Society, and Shield Leaders, developing responsibility, teamwork, and a commitment to serving others.

Leadership is about more than holding a position. Students are encouraged to use their influence thoughtfully, follow through on responsibilities, support their peers, and contribute positively to school life. In a close-knit community, students have opportunities to build relationships across grade levels, work alongside others, and practice leading with humility and integrity.

We want students to recognize that leadership is an opportunity to serve—and that their actions, attitudes, and choices can make a meaningful difference in the lives of others.

College Counseling and Planning for Life After Graduation

Preparing for life after high school involves more than choosing a college or completing an application. Students and families need guidance as they consider their interests, explore future possibilities, understand application processes, and make decisions about the next stage of life.

Harvest provides college counseling and walks alongside students and families through the college-planning process. We help students navigate the steps involved in preparing for college and considering their options after graduation.

Because students have different strengths, interests, and goals, we value individual guidance and support. Our desire is for each student to feel equipped to approach the future with confidence, make informed decisions, and take the next step with a clear sense of purpose.

More Than Academics: Preparing Students for Life and Purpose

At Harvest Christian Academy, high school education is about more than earning credits and preparing for graduation. It is a time for students to develop maturity, strengthen relationships, take greater responsibility for their choices, and consider how God has uniquely gifted them.

We encourage students to demonstrate integrity, perseverance, compassion, humility, and a willingness to serve. Through challenging coursework, biblical instruction, leadership opportunities, electives, and personal relationships with teachers and staff, students are supported as they discover their strengths and grow in independence.

Our small-school setting allows us to value each student's individual journey while encouraging students to contribute to a shared community. We want every graduate to leave Harvest with a

strong academic foundation, a growing and thoughtful faith, the ability to think critically and communicate effectively, and the confidence to pursue the next chapter of life with wisdom and purpose.

Our hope is that Harvest graduates are prepared not only for what they will do next, but for who God is calling them to become.