



St. Petersburg Christian School

A Foundation of Faith...A Spirit of Excellence

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your interest in St. Petersburg Christian School. We have adopted an admission policy that opens the school to families who are like-minded spiritually, who are supportive of our philosophy, objectives, and standards of education, and whose children meet our enrollment standards. Our purpose is to serve families who desire not simply a private education, but a distinctively Christian education for their children.

Before applying for admission to our school, please read the Student Handbook provided in the introductory packet. The Student Handbook will introduce you to many of the school's policies, procedures, and expectations for both parents and students.

Our Handbook explains our religious purpose, mission, and beliefs. St. Petersburg Christian School unashamedly believes, teaches, and practices a literal interpretation of the Word of God. We respect your desire to place your child in the best possible learning environment, but if you are not in full agreement with our fundamental beliefs, we urge you to prayerfully consider your child's enrollment at our school.

Biblical principles are integrated in every subject taught at our school. Our staff is committed not only to academic excellence, but also to teaching students how to apply the truths of God's Word to every aspect of life. If you are in agreement with the teachings of God's Word, this school will complement the beliefs and ideals your child is taught at home. We look forward to partnering with you to educate your child in God's truth.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Robert Hunter'.

Robert Hunter
Headmaster



ADMISSION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

OVERVIEW

St. Petersburg Christian School is committed to providing an excellent academic program that is grounded in Biblical truth. The curriculum is geared to the average and above average student. Acceleration is the norm in the Lower Division and Honors level courses are offered in the Upper Division. The needs of a student with a learning disability and those students requiring academic support are met in the Learning Resource Center.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

The following must be on file in the registrar's office before the Admissions Committee can meet:

1. Application for Admission
2. Registration fee (refundable only if admission is denied)
3. Copy of the most recent achievement test scores (testing required if not available)
4. Copy of the current and previous year's report cards (does not pertain to Kindergarten students)
5. School Reference Form
6. Pastor/Youth Reference Form (Upper Division students only)
7. Any special testing pertaining to the student

Other items required before the enrollment process is complete:

1. State of Florida School Entry Health Exam - DH 3040 (within 12 months of first day of school)
2. State of Florida Certification of Immunization - DH680
3. Copy of Birth Certificate (Copy of legal certificate)

An interview is required for Grade 1-8 applicants and their parents. Report card copies and achievement test information must be on file before this interview.

CONSIDERATIONS FOR ADMISSION

The Admissions Committee will carefully review each application. It will take into consideration the student's:

1. Academic and behavioral history
2. Achievement test performance
3. Christian commitment of those applying to Upper Division.

St. Petersburg Christian School welcomes cultural diversity. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color or national/ethnic origin, either in regard to admission or administration of school programs. Parent(s) will be notified by telephone or letter regarding their child's admission status.

KINDERGARTEN

Applicants for the Kindergarten program should have their fifth birthday before September 1. Children with birthdays between September 1 and October 31 may be evaluated for possible admission. A readiness evaluation is required to determine the skill level and maturity of each child. It will be administered by appointment.

FOLLOWING ADMISSION ACCEPTANCE

For students in grades 1-8, parents should contact the previous school and request release of records. These records are due by August 1. The student may not begin school until all forms are on file in the SPCS office.

Families are reminded that:

1. All decisions by the Admissions Committee are final.
2. Admission is on a probationary basis.
3. Acceptance in any grade does not mean automatic acceptance into the next grade the following year.



APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Please print:

Date: _____

Student's Legal Name: _____
Last First Middle Preferred Name

Date of Birth: _____ Current Grade: _____ Applying for Grade: _____ Projected Date of Entrance: _____

() Boy () Girl

Has the student been awarded a McKay Scholarship? () Yes () No

Has the student been awarded Step Up For Students Scholarship? () Yes () No

Father/Legal Guardian Information:

Mother/Legal Guardian Information:

Name: _____
Mr./Dr./Rev. First Last

Name: _____
Mr./Dr./Rev. First Last

Address: _____
Street

Address: _____
Street

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Email #1 _____

Email #1 _____

Email #2 _____

Email #2 _____

Marital Status _____

Marital Status _____

Name of Spouse _____

Name of Spouse _____

Religion _____

Religion _____

Church _____

Church _____

Custody () Yes () No

Custody () Yes () No

Child resides with () Full Time () Part Time () N/A

Child resides with () Full Time () Part Time () N/A

Approved access to School Correspondence () Yes () No
ParentsWeb () Yes () No
Report Card () Yes () No

Approved access to School Correspondence () Yes () No
ParentsWeb () Yes () No
Report Card () Yes () No

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

School applicant is attending or last attended: _____

Name

Phone

Street

City

State

Zip

Attendance dates: _____ Grades: _____ VPK: () Yes () No

Has the applicant ever been retained? () Yes () No If yes, please explain: _____

Has the applicant ever skipped a grade? () Yes () No If yes, please explain: _____

Has the applicant ever been tested for a learning difficulty? () Yes () No (If yes, please discuss the results and include a copy of the report.)

Has the applicant ever been enrolled in a special program or special education program (A.D.D., L.D., etc)? () Yes () No

If yes, please explain: _____

Has the applicant ever been referred for or received psychological or personal counseling? () Yes () No

If yes, please describe: _____

Has the applicant had behavioral problems at a previous school? () Yes () No If yes, please explain: _____

Has the applicant ever been suspended, expelled or withdrawn from any school for any reason? () Yes () No If yes, please give the name of the school, year, contact person and nature of the problem: _____

Applicant's extra curricular interest, achievements, musical instruments played? _____

What special needs does he/she have? _____

Is there a language other than English spoken in the home? () Yes () No If yes, please list: _____

PARENTAL COMMITMENT TO ST. PETERSBURG CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

A. In signing this application I/we acknowledge commitment to the following:

1. To accept teacher and administrative authority.
2. To support the Christian philosophy of education as taught at SPCS.
3. To support SPCS policies as stated in this application and the student handbook.
4. To participate in fund-raising projects.
5. To actively participate in the Parent Teacher Fellowship. (PTF)
6. To provide tax deductible gifts to the school as God leads and provides.
7. To follow God's line of authority: When differences exist, we will first go to the person with whom we have a problem. If it is not resolved, we will go with the person to his/her supervisor. (Matthew 18:15-17)

B. If I/we choose to withdraw or are requested to withdraw the applicant from the school, we are responsible to pay the tuition and fees for the month in which we do so, as well as any remaining balance of fees.

C. I/we understand that final grades, diplomas and report cards will be retained by the school until accounts are paid in full. Report cards will be held at the end of each grading period if accounts are not current.

D. The applicant may participate in scheduled field trips and other school sponsored activities.

Father or Legal Guardian

Date

Mother or Legal Guardian

Date

NOTE: If the student lives with both parents, both parents must sign.



SCHOOL REFERENCE FORM
Grades 1-8

Please note that the Admissions Committee will not meet to consider your application until this completed form is received by the Admissions Office at St. Petersburg Christian School. This information will be kept in the strictest confidence and will be used only for assistance in the evaluation of the application.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

To be completed by the parent of the applicant prior to the school official completing the evaluation section.

Student Name _____ DOB _____ Grade _____
(Last) (First) (MI)

Authorization is hereby granted to release all school information and opinions requested on the reference form to St. Petersburg Christian School to which the above named student has made application for entrance.

Signature of Authorized Parent/Guardian

Date

SCHOOL OFFICIAL EVALUATION

To be completed by a school official at the applicant's current or previous school.

The above named student is making application to attend St. Petersburg Christian School. At your earliest convenience we would appreciate the following information regarding this prospective student. The information that you provide will be treated with the strictest confidence. If the student is accepted, official student records will be requested. **Please do not return this form to the student or parent. Instead forward it directly via the contact information listed on the reverse side.**

Number of years in your school _____ Current grade _____

* What is the applicant's attendance record?

Seldom or never absent _____ Average absences _____ Excessive absences _____

* What is the applicant's punctuality record?

Seldom or never tardy _____ Occasionally tardy _____ Frequently tardy _____

* In your opinion, where does the applicant rank academically in your school?

Top 10% _____ Top third _____ Middle third _____ Lower third _____

* In your opinion, what is the potential of the applicant?

Already works to potential _____ Has more potential than shows _____

* Has the applicant been tested for any learning disabilities? Yes No

Comments: _____

* In your opinion, what is the applicant's relationship with school authorities?

Excellent _____ Average _____ Difficulties _____ Comments: _____

* In your opinion, what is the level of cooperation from **parents** as it relates to school policies and personnel?

Constructive _____ Cooperative _____ Critical, but cooperative _____ Uncooperative _____

* In your opinion, what is the applicant's relationship with peers?

Leadership _____ Socially adjusted _____ Negative influence _____

* Has the applicant had any recurring behavior/discipline problems? Yes No

Comments: _____

Test Data:

Please complete for the last two tests taken by the applicant.

Standardized Achievement Test _____ Date Taken _____

National Percentile/Stanine in: Math _____ Reading _____ Total Battery _____
Name of Test

Standardized Achievement Test _____ Date Taken _____

National Percentile/Stanine in: Math _____ Reading _____ Total Battery _____
Name of Test

Please feel free to make additional comments which may help our Admissions Committee when reviewing this student's application. _____

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this reference form. Your honest evaluation will help us in processing the Application for Admission. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the school office at (727) 522-3000.

Signature of School Official _____ Date _____

Print Name _____ Position _____

School Name _____ School Phone () _____

Address _____ City/State _____ Zip _____

Please return the completed form via mail to:

St. Petersburg Christian School Admissions
2021 62nd Avenue North
St. Petersburg, FL 33702
Phone 727.522.3000

Via fax to:

727.525.0998

Via email to:

admissions@stpetechristian.org

Processing of the Application for Admission cannot be completed until this form is returned.