Faith Foundations

BUILDING A GENERATIONAL LEGACY



ARCADIA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY:
A CASE FOR SUPPORT


“I will sing of the LORD’s great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.”
Psalm 89:1

"We could not be happier with our children's school. We believe Arcadia Christian Academy is leading the way in Godly hybrid education and are grateful to have found them."

- Andrea C.



Faithful Now and Forever

In early 2023, a core group of parents came together to birth a school that would touch children's hearts and educate their minds — all while being centered and founded on Jesus Christ.

By the Fall of 2023, Arcadia Christian Academy was born. By offering a stable, fun, and creative school focused on excellence in everything, word quickly spread. By year's end, we had 125 kids enrolled.

Over the last two short years, every step of the way, God has proven Himself faithful, far surpassing the hopes and dreams of the founding parents. Today, the school is bursting at the seams.

~575 students in grades Pre-K through 10

1,000+ students on wait list

98% retention rate of students (avg. is 80s)

100% teacher retention rate

This astounding growth has presented us with an exciting challenge: securing a long-term home for pre-K through twelfth grade that will accommodate the growing demand for our University-Model education.

As you read here, we believe you will see clearly why this community of hope, faith, and love is growing so rapidly. Our hope and prayer is that the trust we have in God's plan and the urgency we feel in our hearts will also capture you.

MISSION

As a non-denominational educational institution utilizing a university model, Arcadia Christian Academy partners with families in nurturing children for spiritual and academic growth so that, through them, the love of God might be revealed in our communities.







VISION

A campus built to scale and to purpose, helping our students become:

- Committed, passionate followers of Christ
- Deep, creative thinkers
- Curious, lifelong learners
- Virtuous, hard-working citizens
- Kind, empathetic souls

LEADERSHIP

Alex Ly
Co-Founder, Head of School, Board Member

Mindy Ly
Co-Founder, Executive Director, Board Member

Michael Bennett
Co-Founder, Board Chairman

Amanda Bennett
Co-Founder, Board Member

Steve Wheeler
Board Member

THE ORIGINS OF

Arcadia Christian Academy:

Arcadia Christian Academy was born out of a very personal journey that many families will recognize. In the midst of the COVID era, when classrooms were closed and parents were thrust into the role of full-time educators, many of us began seriously contemplating homeschooling. We cherished the opportunity to be more present in our children's education, but we also felt the weight of the responsibility. The time, energy, and pressure to curate a full curriculum was overwhelming.

At the same time, the alternatives available didn't reflect what we longed for. Arizona's public schools were no longer an option for many Christian families—not only because of consistently poor performance, but because classrooms were increasingly focused on ideas far removed from the values we hold dear. Even in the wider landscape of charter and private schools, nothing offered the balance, warmth, and distinctly Christ-centered foundation we were seeking.

What we longed for was a covenantal Christian education—one where families affirm a shared statement of faith, where every teacher believes and lives that faith, and where Christ is woven naturally into every lesson and experience. We wanted a warm and relational environment, not an institution. We wanted our children to be known, encouraged, and discipled as they learn.

The University-Model offered the "best of both worlds." With three days of in-person instruction, families gain the structure and community of a traditional school while still preserving two days at home. This rhythm gives parents the freedom to remain deeply involved in their children's education without carrying the entire burden.

We also wanted our children's education to go beyond academics. We envisioned opportunities for them to experience a real community of flourishing families outside of school time, to learn entrepreneurship through experiences like the Children's Business Fair or creating a food truck concept, to cultivate responsibility in gardening, to worship and grow in their faith, and to explore electives like music and the arts—experiences not typically found in most schools.

From this vision, Arcadia Christian Academy was established. What began as a desire to meet the needs of our own children has resonated with countless other families. The overwhelming response has confirmed what we believed all along: there is a growing and urgent demand for Christ-centered education that honors family life, equips children with strong academics, and roots every subject in the truth of God's Word.

- Michael Bennett, Co-Founder

The Arcadia Christian Difference

Research consistently shows that Christian education makes a profound difference in the long-term faith and identity of children. Several studies have found that young people who both attend church and are immersed in a Christian school environment throughout their formative years are two to three times more likely to remain committed to their faith as adults than those who only attend church. The reason is clear: faith is reinforced not only at home and on Sundays, but also every day in the classroom and among peers.

When a child's closest friends, teachers, and mentors are all modeling and encouraging life in Christ, it strengthens their sense of belonging and identity. Instead of faith being a "weekend activity," it becomes the very fabric of their daily experience. Surrounded by a covenantal Christian community—where every family affirms the same statement of faith, where teachers openly disciple their students, and where peers are growing up in the same truth—children develop a deeply rooted identity that is far more likely to endure into adulthood.

The impact also extends to parents. A covenantal Christian school reinforces what families are teaching at home, creating alignment rather than tension between school and church. Parents gain partners in discipleship, not competitors for their child's heart and mind. In this way, Christian education doesn't just change a student's present—it shapes their lifelong walk with Christ and strengthens entire families in their faith journey.

CHRIST-CENTERED LEARNING

- Bible is integrated into curriculum
- Parent and grandparent prayer groups
- Teachers adhere to a statement of faith
- Covenant school model

INNOVATIVE EDUCATIONAL APPROACH

- Play-based, project-based, group-based, and movement-based learning
- Children work at their own pace
- Math and language organized by placement level, not grade level
- Limited homework
- Reduced emphasis on comparison

FAMILY-CENTERED SCHEDULE

- Three-day in-school model (Tuesday-Thursday)
- Parents spend significantly more time with their children
- Children have more time for extracurricular activities and family life

PERSONALIZED LEARNING

- Approximately 18 students per class
- Personalized plans for children who need additional support
- Community of involved parents

TEACHER SUPPORT

- Competitive compensation
- Part-time hours that honor family life
- Free childcare for teachers' children
- Professional freedom and development



Laying the Foundation

VISION 2025-26:

ACA recently opened our substantially-renovated Church For The Nations campus. This campus is serving all currently-enrolled students and will become the permanent home for at least our Elementary grades, possibly all grade levels.

The new campus spans 10 acres, and ACA will be making significant investments in this space to match our vision. We will pursue excellence, not only in academics—but in everything, from sports to choir, dance to theology. The remodel of the campus includes new paint, floors, glass walls, light fixtures, furniture, smart TVs, live plants, new playground, and much more.

Investment in our current campus will allow ACA to continue growing and potentially expand this space to serve as a permanent home for all ACA students for years to come.



"Having enrolled our daughter in the Christian hybrid school, we've been overwhelmingly pleased with our experience. The atmosphere is nurturing, and our daughter is thriving both academically and emotionally. The teachers and staff exemplify kindness and genuine care for the children, fostering a Godly and loving environment where students feel valued and encouraged. We appreciate the emphasis on Christian values in education, and it's refreshing to see a commitment to traditional teaching that remains steadfast in the face of modern trends. I love that our daughter receives not only biblical teaching at home and at church, but also at school. Overall, we couldn't be happier with the education our daughter is receiving and the positive impact it's having on her growth and development."

- Steven B.

Financial Needs

$2 MILLION

- Ongoing remodeling efforts for Church for the Nations School Campus
- Significant improvements to, and expansion of, classrooms, playground, future sports fields, gymnasium, parking lot.

Costs in in this figure include, but are not limited to:

$1.5M	Provide necessary funding for future entitlements, designs, architectural plans, deposits and legal counsel, while also providing funding for an interim home for our Junior High & High School next year as we expand into 11th and 12th grades.
$20,000	Athletic Fund
$50,000	Benevolence & scholarship fund to support ACA families
$35,000	Sponsor the year-end All-School Dance (students & parents together)
$25,000	Sponsor our annual Gala (with the potential to raise $200,000 - $400,000 for the school)
$10,000	Sponsor the Daddy-Daughter Event
$10,000	Sponsor the Mother-Son Event
$7,500	Fund all new furniture and supplies (per Classroom)
$5,000	Fund all new smart TVs and classroom technology (per Classroom)
$5,000	Cover the cost of live plants for every classroom campus wide
$10,000	Sponsor the ACA Children's Business Fair in the spring





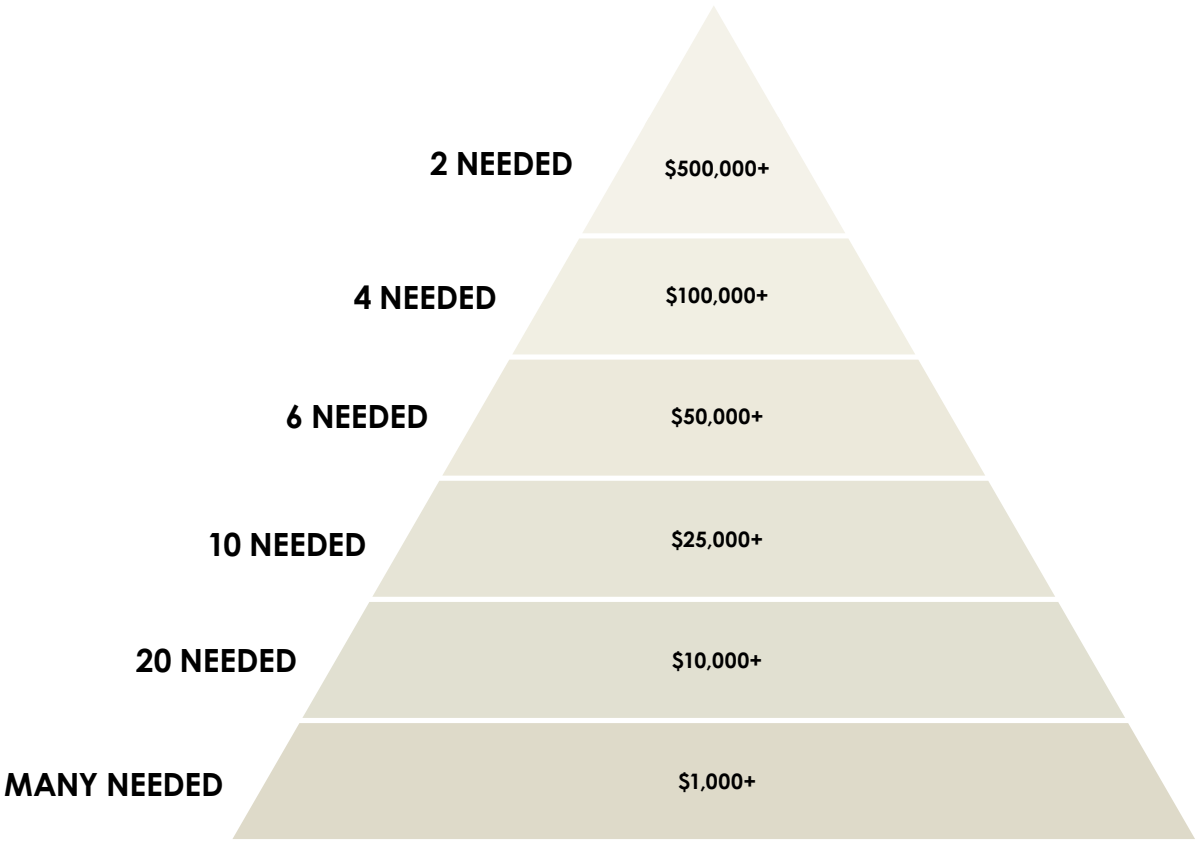


Faith Foundations Campaign (*Phase 1*)

$2M *OCTOBER 2025 - MAY 2026*

At Arcadia Christian Academy, we believe we are not simply educating children—we are **raising up the next generation of Christian minds and leaders.** ACA is a place where faith and learning are inseparable, where children are being rooted in their identity in Christ, and where families are being strengthened through covenantal Christian education. By investing in ACA, you are helping build a **generational legacy**—equipping young men and women who will carry their faith into every sphere of culture, leadership, and community for decades to come.

Donor Levels	Giving Amounts (As one time gifts or commitments paid out over two years.)
FOUNDER'S CIRCLE	$500,000+
LEGACY BUILDERS	$100,000+
PILLAR PARTNERS	$50,000+
IMPACT LEADERS	$25,000+
FAITH FRIENDS	$10,000+
SEED GIVERS	$1,000+




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Legacy Campaign (*Phase 2*)

God is faithful and we sense his future for ACA is brighter than we can imagine. Once we have finished the Foundations Campaign, we will move into a second phase of raising funds to establish a permanent location: the Legacy Campaign.

As a young, fast-growing academy, we look forward to sharing updates with our community and partners. Your generosity plays a direct and transformative role. Every gift to ACA multiplies: it blesses students, strengthens families, and shapes the future of our community. Contributions not only support our daily mission but also help us prepare for the exciting expansion ahead—adding grades, new campuses, and new opportunities for our students to flourish.

Every dollar given is a seed sown into the future of Christian education. We are together building a model that will last generations. Your generosity ensures that students are surrounded daily by teachers and peers who share their faith, nurtured in an environment that strengthens families, and equipped to live as bold witnesses for Christ in a culture desperate for truth.

We are stepping out in faith and trusting God to continue to bring friends and supporters who share our vision. Thank you for considering the role you might play in making ACA's Vision 2026/2027 a reality—for our children, for our community, and for the generations to come.



"After my first campus tour, I knew it would become our new school. Now, 2 years later, ACA's mission and the daily outpouring of quality care and education continue to exceed expectations and bless my family. My girls are thriving and happy. Also, the high level of security on campus gives us such peace of mind."

- Jara D.

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