



## Frequently Asked Questions

### 1. **When should we apply?**

We are now accepting Kindergarten to Grade 12 applications for the 2022-2023 school year. Families are encouraged to begin the application process as soon as possible to allow us to plan for the next school year.

### 2. **Are there openings?**

Yes! Kindergarten is the first intake for many new families, however, family relocations and expanded capacity in higher grades allows us to enroll new students at each grade level every year. Depending on applications, sometimes we open additional classes as well. Interested families are encouraged to apply as soon as possible to ensure consideration to all available space.

### 3. **What is the cutoff date for accepting applications?**

We are always accepting applications. However, once a grade reaches capacity we close the application process for that particular grade level to ensure families have the opportunity to look into alternate options.

### 4. **Do we have Before and After School Care (BASC)?**

Yes! Our BASC program is available to students up to the age of 12 years. It is open each day school is in session from 7:30-8:20 am and 3:30-5:30 pm. There is an hourly fee to use this program. It is staffed by trained adults, alumni and high school students who enjoy working with our younger students.

### 5. **Do I have to attend a church to apply at Linden? Do you have to attend Grant Memorial Church?**

Not every student who attends LCS is connected to a church. In the same way, you do not have to attend Grant Memorial to be accepted into LCS. LCS represents students from over 120 faith communities. Biblical truths are taught as part of the curriculum in each grade level.

### 6. **Does Linden Christian School follow the Manitoba Curriculum?**

Yes, LCS meets or exceeds the requirements of the Manitoba curriculum. LCS students are eligible to graduate with a Manitoba High School Diploma (30 credits). If they have attained four Bible credits (Grades 9-12) within the 30 credits they also receive an LCS Diploma.



**7. Do all students have to study the bible?**

At LCS, students seek to see and understand the world through God's eyes while growing to be devoted followers of Christ and compassionate community members. Biblical truth is integrated into all subjects and is a required part of the curriculum. In addition there is bible memory and bible classes at every grade level.

**8. Do you offer financial assistance?**

Yes. We offer need-based bursaries. Please email our admissions office at [admissions@lindenchristian.org](mailto:admissions@lindenchristian.org) for more information about this program. All information about bursary applications is confidential.

**9. Can we afford Linden Christian School? How much does it cost?**

While an investment in an LCS education does involve a financial commitment, all families are encouraged to apply. Our financial assistance program aims to make LCS accessible to as many families as possible. Tuition rates for 2022-2023 can be found on the admissions page of our website.

**10. Are all candidates interviewed?**

Yes, all applicants who have completed the application process will be interviewed.

**11. What do you look for in an applicant?**

LCS is looking for students and families who are looking for an excellent, Christ-centred educational experience that focuses on the development of the whole child.

**12. Is an entrance test part of the admissions process?**

LCS does not use an entrance test as part of our selection process. Although academics is a strong focus of our program, the ideal LCS student is accepted based on broad criteria with an emphasis on working with families to develop qualities of the whole child - academic, emotional, spiritual, and physical and social wellness - with an appreciation for the many different gifts and interests of each student.

**13. Can we visit LCS?**

Yes! A personalized tour is an important step that is included as part of our interview process. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, we now support in person and virtual interviews. Once we receive your application, we will determine the best way to visit. Families who want to learn more can also watch the virtual tour on the Admissions page of our website.



**14. How do I reapply if my child was not accepted last year?**

To have your child's application reconsidered for the following school year, all you need to do is sign into your Parent Account in SchoolAdmin. Email or phone the Admissions Office if you require assistance.

**15. If my child is not accepted, can I get a refund for the application fee?**

No, the application fee is required as part of the admissions process and is non-refundable.

**16. What are the hours of the school day?**

Entry starts at 8:20 am. Class time is as follows:  
Kindergarten - Grade 7 students - 8:30 am - 3:30 pm  
Grade 8 - 12 students - 8:50 am - 3:50 pm

Students under the age of 12 who arrive prior to 8:10 am or are not picked up by 3:45 pm are required to attend Before and After School Care (BASC).

**17. Does LCS offer bus service?**

Transportation to and from school is a parental responsibility as we do not offer bus service. LCS students come from all over the city and the surrounding areas. Most students are driven to school by parents. Some walk, take public transit, ride bikes or drive themselves. Carpooling is an option that can be arranged by parents.

**18. What is chapel?**

Chapel is a time when students in each division come together to sing worship songs, pray together and receive age appropriate bible teaching. Chapel is held on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30-9:00 am for K-4 students. Middle Years Chapel and Senior Years Chapel are held on Friday.

**19. Does LCS provide lunch?**

No. Students are required to bring their own lunch. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Grant Cafe is only available to Senior Years students (Grades 9-12) at this time.

**20. Do students wear uniforms?**

No, LCS students do not wear uniforms.

**21. Do we accept students with special needs?**



We carefully consider the needs of each student who applies to Linden Christian School. We expect complete disclosure of the child's needs so that we can prepare to meet these needs when they become a student at Linden Christian School. We accept children with special needs if we feel we can meet their needs.

**22. Does Linden Christian School provide outside support to students?**

Linden Christian School utilizes Clinical Support Services in the areas of Speech and Language, Reading and Psychology. Students are referred to these specialists by the resource teacher after teacher and parent consultation. Occupational Therapy is not currently available at Linden Christian School.

**23. What is the French Program at LCS?**

From Kindergarten to Grade 8, French is taught using the AIM (Accelerative Integrated Method) approach to language instruction. Accelerative Integrated Method is a foreign language teaching method that uses music, dance, gestures and theatre to support learning.

From Grade 9 to 12, LCS students can choose French as an elective to continue their language development. We have three bilingual French teachers.

**24. What is the School of Fine Arts?**

The School of Fine Arts (SOFA) is a private music school that is part of Linden Christian School. Students may take lessons in piano, voice, guitar, violin, etc. After school programs are also available in Musical Theatre and Art. There is an additional cost for these lessons.

**25. Does Linden accept International Students?**

LCS does accept applications from international students. Linden is located in Winnipeg, Manitoba and is a day school with no boarding or home-stay programs. Because International students residing in Canada on a student visa are not eligible for the education grant provided by the province of Manitoba, LCS tuition fees for international students reflect the full cost.

**26. For high school students, what is the structure of the school year? How about for the other divisions?**



For high school students, Linden has a semester system. At the end of each semester there is a set of exams. Progress Reports are sent home in November and March and full reports are sent home at the end of each semester.

Early and Middle years students have three terms during the year. Report cards are sent home in November, March and June.

**27. How many classes do you have in each grade?**

We have a minimum of three classes in every grade, with some grades having four classes. With so many students in each grade, we have a diverse student body with a variety of interests. This offers students the opportunity to meet many other students and make new friendships during their LCS experience.

**28. What are the advantages of attending a K-12 school?**

Linden Christian School has over 950 students representing more than 600 families served by over 140 staff. We offer a biblically based education inspired by faith, motivated by excellence and anchored in meaningful relationships. We are a connected and caring community! There are many opportunities for mentorship and discipleship between students. Linden lays the foundation for lifelong friendships between students and families and the stability experienced builds confidence and the joy of participating fully in life.