



L A C O M B E
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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STUDENT APPLICATION FORM ECS - GRADE 9

Our Vision Statement:

*To the glory of God, by His grace, and on the foundation of His Word,
Lacombe Christian School strives to nurture and educate children to be
Spirit-filled disciples of Christ and responsible, discerning citizens in society.*

AIM AND PURPOSE OF LACOMBE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

1. To have our children taught in a school that acknowledges the rule of God in all areas of life including education and the fields of knowledge.
2. To prepare the student as an image-bearer of God for meaningful participation in society.
3. To make the student see his life-task in the context of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ.
4. To show the student the way to total commitment and surrender to Christ.
5. To guide the student in understanding the radical consequences of such a commitment, affecting all areas and relationships of life.
6. To work (complement/partner) with the home and church in bringing up the children entrusted to us.

ELIGIBILITY

1. The Lacombe Christian School exists to educate primarily the children of Christian parents.
2. Admission is available to all students of parents who agree with the aim and purpose of the school.
3. No child shall, on the grounds of race, color, gender or national origin be excluded from admission to Lacombe Christian School.
4. The Board may limit enrollment.
5. A copy of the prospective student's Birth Certificate or Permanent Residence card to be provided before final approval of enrolment can be granted.

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION AND PROCEDURES

1. Complete a student application form for each child being enrolled. Submit this to the school office along with:
 - a. Each child's birth certificate or landed immigrant status.
 - b. Tuition agreement form.
 - c. A copy of the student's most recent report card.
2. Admissions interviews:
 - a. Meet with the LCS Principal or Vice-Principal.
 - b. Two members of the School Board will arrange for a home visit.
 - c. Both parents (legal guardians) are expected at each of these interviews.
3. Parents will be informed by phone once their application has been approved by the Board.
4. Families with children entering ECS (kindergarten) are expected to attend an ECS Orientation Meeting.

STUDENT APPLICATION FORM

For Office Use Only: MWB____ MWP____ DATE Rec'd_____

Child's First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Birth date Month-Day-Year	Grade	
				Applied For K - 9	M / F
1. _____	_____	_____	____ - ____ - ____	____	____
2. _____	_____	_____	____ - ____ - ____	____	____
3. _____	_____	_____	____ - ____ - ____	____	____

Child's Citizenship: Canadian: ____ Landed Immigrant : ____ Other: _____

Other children in the household, not yet school age:

Name: _____ D.O.B. _____ Age: _____

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Day Preference for ECS: ____ No Preference ____ Mon/Wed ____ Tues/Thurs

**Note for ECS applications: This is not 'first-come', 'first-served'. The Administration will attempt to honour all requests, however, class size and boy/girl ratio will determine placement.

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION: EMAIL: _____

Father: _____

Mother: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Residence Phone: _____

Cell number: (Father) _____ Cell number: (Mother) _____

Marital Status: _____

Residential Address:**(Land location-for bussing purposes or street address if different from mailing address)**

Civic Address (Blue Sign) – rural residences only: _____

Father Employer: _____ Business Phone: _____

Mother Employer: _____ Business Phone: _____

What church do you presently attend? _____ Church Affiliation: _____

Pastor's Name: _____ Pastor's Phone: _____

If you wish to declare the student is Aboriginal, please circle one:

First Nation (status)

First Nation (non-status)

Métis

Inuit

For further information, please refer to: www.education.alberta.ca/system-supports/results-reporting or contact Alberta Education at 780-427-8501.

If you have questions regarding the collection of student information by the school, please contact the school office @ 403-782-6531 or office@lacs.ca

Custody ProtectionIn rare instances, a student may be designated as "Protected" if a court issued a restraining order under The Child Welfare Act, The Domestic Relations Act, The Divorce Act or The Young Offenders Act. Please indicate if the school administration should be aware of any such court order for the protection of the student(s). **Yes** **No**

PARENTAL COMMITMENT:

Why do you desire Christian Education for your children?

What are your expectations from Lacombe Christian School?

Do you believe in the Word of God, and do you believe that Jesus Christ is your personal, risen Saviour?

Are you an active member in a Christian Church Community? What part does it play in your life?

In making this application,

1. I understand the goals, objectives, principles, and educational creed as indicated in the Lacombe Christian School Student Parent Handbook, and commit to supporting that kind of education for my child(ren).
2. I understand that children must be of suitable age for the grade assigned. Grade placement is determined by the administration.
3. I understand that students in grades 4-9 will participate in an Alberta Education online survey.
4. In matters of discipline, our child(ren) will be subject to the disciplinary action of the Staff and Administration. Parents may discuss disciplinary matters affecting their child(ren) with the school.
5. I have read the accompanying Tuition Information Package. I have completed and signed the required forms. I understand this package will be reviewed with me by the (2) Board members when they come for the application visit. I will give the completed forms to the Board members for return to the school office.
6.
 - i) I understand that the Board shall retain its authority to expel any student whose continued presence seriously impairs the development of Christian Education. I also understand that if a student is expelled, Alberta Education requires that LCS continue to be responsible for the child's education for the remainder of the school year.
 - ii) As appropriate, if a parent or student believes the faith and/or value commitment of the School and the parent's or student's faith and/or values are incompatible and continuing to enroll the student in the School is not in the best interest of the student, then the School shall assist the parent or student to enroll in another school for the subsequent school year.
7. I have read the ECS Handbook and am in agreement with the stated purpose and goals of Lacombe Christian School. I desire that my child be taught in a school that strives for these goals.
8. I will attempt to attend an orientation meeting which will better help to acquaint me with the School and Society, and ECS program in particular.

Father or Guardian Signed: _____ Date: _____

Mother or Guardian Signed: _____ Date: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

- People other than the Parents/Guardians that can be reached in case of an emergency
- Emergency contacts should be local

Person to contact in case of emergency if parents cannot be reached:

Name: _____ Phone/Cell: _____

Relationship to student: _____

CONFIDENTIAL MEDICAL INFORMATION

Does the student have any medical concerns? (please explain)

Alberta Health Care Number: _____

Doctor: _____ Phone: _____

ACADEMIC HISTORY

- To be completed if student has attended other schools

Student Name:

Surname First Name Middle

Grade Applied for: _____ Date of Birth: _____
MO DAY YR

Previous School Attended: _____

Previous School Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

(Please fill out one Academic History & Medical form per child)

Forms are available on our website www.lacs.ca

TUITION INFORMATION ONLY

The K-9 Tuition amount is set at our Annual Society meeting held every May.

After the Society meeting , you will receive the new Tuition Agreement Form to be signed and returned to the school for the 2020-2021 school year.

Criteria:	2020-2021 AMOUNT
2019-2020 Playschool Student ONLY. (No other children @ LCS) (2019-2020 was \$1,000)	\$_____ *Fees to be set May 2020
2019-2020 Playschool Student <i>with other children in LCS K-9.</i> (2019-2020 was \$500)	\$_____ *Fees to be set May 2020
2019-2020 Kindergarten Student ONLY. (No other children @ LCS) Suggested donation. (\$1,200)	\$_____ *Fees to be set May 2020
2019-2020 Tuition Fee for families with children in LCS Grades K-9. (2019-2020 was \$5,800)	\$_____ *Fees to be set May 2020
2020-2021 Tuition Fee for families with children in LCS Grades K-9, AND children attending CACHS. (2019-2020 was \$4,350)	\$_____ *Fees to be set May 2020

1. All fees include the \$100 LCS Membership Fee.
2. WAYS TO PAY:
 - 2.1 We encourage you to EFT for automatic transfers.
 - 2.2 E-Transfers are also accepted. The email for this is: business@lacs.ca
 - 2.3 DEBIT & CREDIT CARD payments are accepted in person at the office. Please note: for tuition payments on credit cards, there will be a 3% fee added at the point of sale.
3. Government funding for independent schools in Alberta covers only a part of the school's operating costs, therefore the need for charging tuition.
4. We offer a Tuition Relief program, for temporary assistance for those families who are unable to meet the full cost of Christian Education. *If applicable* to your family, you can complete the Tuition Relief form attached to this package, and return it to the office along with your Student Registration Form.

LCS Tuition Policy

1. Lacombe Christian School is a parent governed Christian School. It is the obligation of parents sending children to the school to pay the school tuition. This is essential for good management of the budget which has very little leeway. The Board of directors of the Lacombe Christian School Society shall be responsible for the collecting of tuition in a sensitive manner.
2. Tuition fees are payable as pledged in the parent signed tuition schedule returned by the deadline date set annually by the school Board for the upcoming school year. If the form is not received by the deadline a follow-up telephone call will be made as a reminder.
3. It is the responsibility of parents/guardians to inform the Board if they are experiencing genuine financial difficulties. Parents/guardians are first of all responsible for the full tuition. If unable to meet this cost they must attempt to get financial assistance from the community (family, church, friends, bank, etc.)
4. All payments received will be applied in the following order:
 - 4.1 Membership dues
 - 4.2 Tuition arrears
 - 4.3 Current tuition fees
5. In the event that a family does not have their tuition paid in full by the last day of the current school year, they forfeit the privilege to have their children automatically enrolled for the following school year. If they wish to enroll their children for the following school year, they are required to re-submit an enrollment application by the appropriate date and initiate a physical meeting with the school board or its representatives.
6. Tuition in arrears are to be dealt with regularly by the Board. Accounts in arrears may be written off with Board approval.

Tuition Assistance

Purpose

The purpose of the Tuition Assistance Program is to provide **temporary** financial assistance towards payment of LCS tuition fees, for families who are unable to meet the full cost of Christian Education.

As Christians, we recognize that all we have comes from God, and that we are simply stewards of God's possessions. We are, therefore, thankful and grateful for what God has provided. And so, it is our joy to be able to share with those in need as we seek to extend God's kingdom together.

"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices, God is pleased." Hebrews 13:16

As a board, we are called to be good stewards and we are accountable to God who has entrusted us with the financial matters relating to LCS. We are also accountable to our membership as we deal with our financial commitments to our staff and our school's expenses, including services of debt and providing for physical property.

"So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with riches?" Luke 16:11

Process

For those who require tuition assistance for the 2018-2019 year, please complete **in full** the following pages with the required information. The completed package should be put in a sealed envelope and marked: "Private and Confidential" to the Business Administrator of LCS. Personal financial details will be disclosed to the Business Administrator, Board Treasurer, and one other Board Member. A Board member will be in contact with you promptly regarding this application.

Please return the required form by June 8, 2018.

In the rare circumstances where tuition assistance is required for the subsequent school year, a new application form must be completed.

Guidelines

Tuition assistance is a temporary solution. At times there are many applicants and limited resources, such that only the neediest applicants can be accepted. Every effort should be made to seek help from the church community, relatives, or friends. Also, every effort should be made to determine whether personal assets can be accessed.

Circumstances where an application is likely to be accepted:

- Sudden loss of employment without the ability to replace income.
- Terminal or significant health issues.
- Marital breakdown without the ability to replace income.
- An attempt to at least pay a portion of the tuition.

Circumstances where an application is likely to be rejected:

- The ability to borrow funds.
- Where assistance from the church community, friends, or relatives is available.
- The ability to sell certain non-essential assets or investments.
- Chronic requests for tuition application where lifestyle suggests spending is not well controlled.
- Lack of effort in ensuring financial stewardship.
- Tuition assistance extending longer than one year.

Generally, tuition covers 25% of the overall operational costs (ie: salaries, utilities, transportation, etc) of education and none of the capital costs (ie mortgage) of the school facilities. Therefore, tuition fees are only the minimum contribution required by parents or guardians. Parents and guardians are also expected to contribute for capital costs/drives/fundraisers, etc on an ongoing basis.

Tuition Assistance Application 2020-2021

Parent/Guardian names:	Address (& years there):
Phone:	Cell phones:

List all the students in your household:			
Name	Age	School / College attending	Parental Contribution

Church Affiliation:	Pastor:
What does Christian Education mean to you?	What personal financial distress is your family experiencing?
Explain how you have made use of other financial resources:	Church:
Selling of non-essential assets/investments:	Friends and Relatives:
What is your plan to cover tuition costs next year, bearing in mind that tuition relief is reviewed annually, and is viewed as temporary assistance?	

Personal Net Worth Statement:

ASSETS	Approx. Value	LIABILITIES (DEBTS)	Approx. balance
Property:		Mortgage (principal remaining):	
Cash on hand (bank accounts):		Credit Cards:	
Investments-GIC, stocks, mutual funds:		Vehicle Loans/Lease:	
Automobiles:		Lines of Credit:	
RV, quad, boat, motorcycle:		Bank Loans:	
Other real properties:		Loans against assets:	
Livestock:		Unpaid bills:	
Other: (please specify):		Other: (please specify):	
TOTAL ASSETS:		TOTAL LIABILITIES:	

Monthly Income & Expense Report

MONTHLY INCOME**MONTHLY PAYMENTS**

Household income (after deductions)		Mortgage or Rent payment	
Child Tax Credit		Property Tax payment	
Child support		Credit Cards payments	
Rental income		Vehicle payments	
Support from church/relatives		Line of Credit payments	
Other income:		Loan payments	
		Utility payments	
		Food expense	
		Insurance expense	
		Other monthly expenses:	
TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME:		TOTAL MONTHLY PAYMENTS:	

MONTHLY INCOME _____ **minus** PAYMENTS _____ **equals** MONTHLY NET INCOME:

Based on the above information, what amount can you pay towards LCS tuition this year?

**\$_____ x 12 monthly payments for annual total of \$_____ -
(paid with post-dated cheques or by Electronic Funds Transfer)**

**PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF YOUR PERSONAL INCOME TAX NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT
FOR THE LAST TAXATION YEAR FOR BOTH PARENTS.**

I hereby affirm that the statements made herein are true and are made for the purpose of applying for tuition assistance from Lacombe Christian School. I am willing to provide confirmation of assets, liabilities, income, and expenses upon request.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Spouse/Co-applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____