



## ULCS APPLICATION PROCESS CHECKLIST

### *WELCOME TO ULCS!*

It is the mission of Upton Lake Christian School to bring glory to God by providing a Christ centered education under the authority of God's Word by: teaching to transform lives, fostering a passion for God, equipping today's students to meet tomorrow's challenges through quality academic instruction.

### **With your Application Packet, you should have received the following:**

- Cover Letter
- Mission Statement/Statement of Faith
- School Profile
- ULCS Fees and Payment Schedule
- Application for Admission
- Parent/School Covenant
- Request for Student Records Form
- Pastor Reference Form
- Teacher Reference Form
- School Brochure

### **Application Packet Forms to be returned to ULCS**

- Application for Admission & Parent/School Covenant
- \$60.00 Application Fee
- Pastor Reference Form
- Teacher Reference Form (if applicable)
- Request for Student Records Form
- Signed Statement of Faith

**UPTON LAKE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**  
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Dear Parent:

Upton Lake Christian School partners with Christian 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. We enclose in this packet our mission, vision and outcomes, our statement of faith, and our philosophy of education. Biblical principles are integrated into 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, ULCS 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. We also partner with scripture-based evangelical churches in training our young people for successful Christian lives. Our community of educators strives to:

- Teach to transform lives
- Foster a passion for God
- Prepare today's youth for tomorrow's challenges

Please schedule an interview/tour with our administration if you have not already done so. A checklist is provided to assist you in ensuring that you have received all of the necessary application information. Upon return of these application materials and a nonrefundable \$60.00 application fee (checks made payable to ULCS), the process of admission is started. A final acceptance decision will be made pending the outcome of the application information, screening, and evaluation.

Registration information will be sent to you upon acceptance.

Sincerely,

Elisa DeWitt  
Administrator



8/8/17

## MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

### **Mission:**

It is the mission of Upton Lake Christian School to glorify God by providing a Christ-centered education under the authority of God's Word by teaching to transform lives, fostering a passion for God, and equipping today's students to meet tomorrow's challenges through quality academic instruction.

### **Vision:**

The vision of the school is three-fold: to teach to transform lives, foster a passion for God, and prepare today's students for tomorrow's challenges.

A transformed life begins with admitting you are a sinner, believing Christ died for your sins and confessing Jesus as Lord. As the Holy Spirit works in a believer's life, it is evidenced by his/her opinions and choices being directed by a Biblical worldview and the development of character.

In order to have a passion for God we need to know and worship Him as He has revealed Himself through His word. We strive to model this with the intent that this longing will become contagious in the life of each student. It is our prayer that by creating opportunities to serve the interests of others in the power of the Holy Spirit, the student's relationship with God will be deepened.

Our graduates will be prepared to meet the academic, social and spiritual challenges of their future by attaining mastery in path. In addition, students will learn to discern, analyze, evaluate, solve problems and make decisions which will develop their critical thinking abilities. Students will practice thinking and acting creatively, using their imagination, inventive skills and artistic gifts as they interact with a changing world. Students will develop, refine and master effective oral, written, and non-verbal communication skills. Students will gain experience and expertise through collaborative academic, physical and social activities so that they understand their role as a responsible team member and as a group leader.

## OUTCOMES

### **Our student will:**

- Demonstrate mastery in all academic areas
- Develop critical thinking skills
- Explore and demonstrate creativity
- Demonstrate proficiency in written, oral, and non-verbal communication skills
- Work collaboratively and understand leadership responsibilities
- Cultivate a willing heart for the Great Commission
- Demonstrate obedience and integrity
- Demonstrate kindness and compassion for others
- Serve others cheerfully when the opportunity arises
- Develop a strong work ethic

### **Our student will be strongly encouraged to:**

- Accept salvation, personal discipleship and direction
- Live by a biblical world
- Value the church and be actively involved
- Continue to intentionally memorize, meditate and respond to God's word

## ULCS STATEMENT OF FAITH

ULCS is under the corporate umbrella of the Evangelical Free Church of Clinton Corners who is part of an association of autonomous church united around these theological convictions with other churches of the Evangelical Free Church of America:

**God:** 1. We believe in one God, Creator of all things, holy, infinitely perfect, and eternally existing in a loving unity of three equally divine Persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Having limitless knowledge and sovereign power, God has graciously purposed from eternity to redeem a people for Himself and to make all things new for His own glory.

**The Bible:** 2. We believe that God has spoken in the Scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, through the words of human authors. As the verbally inspired Word of God, the Bible is without error in the original writings, the complete revelation of His will for salvation, and the ultimate authority by which every realm of human knowledge and endeavor should be judged. Therefore, it is to be believed in all that it teaches, obeyed in all that it requires, and trusted in all that it promises.

**The Human Condition:** 3. We believe that God created Adam and Eve in His image, but they sinned when tempted by Satan. In union with Adam, human beings are sinners by nature and by choice, alienated from God, and under His wrath. Only through God's saving work in Jesus Christ can we be rescued, reconciled and renewed.

**Jesus Christ:** 4. We believe that Jesus Christ is God incarnate, fully God and fully man, one Person in two natures. Jesus-Israel's promised Messiah-was conceived through the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He lived a sinless life, was crucified under Pontius Pilate, arose bodily from the dead, ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father as our High Priest and Advocate.

**The Work of Christ:** 5. We believe that Jesus Christ, as our representative and substitute, shed His blood on the cross as the perfect, all-sufficient sacrifice for our sins. His atoning death and victorious resurrection constitute the only ground for salvation.

**The Holy Spirit:** 6. We believe that the Holy Spirit, in all that He does, glorifies the Lord Jesus Christ. He convicts the world of its guilt. He regenerates sinners, and in Him they are baptized into union with Christ and adopted as heirs in the family of God. He also indwells, illuminates, guides, equips and empowers believers for Christ-like living and service.

**The Church:** 7. We believe that the true church comprises all who have been justified by God's grace through faith alone in Christ alone. They are united by the Holy Spirit in the body of Christ, of which He is the Head. The true church is manifest in local churches, whose membership should be composed only of believers. The Lord Jesus mandated two ordinances, baptism and the Lord's Supper, which visibly and tangibly express the gospel. Though they are not the means of salvation, when celebrated by the church in genuine faith, these ordinances confirm and nourish the believer.

**Christian Living:** 8. We believe that God's justifying grace must not be separated from His sanctifying power and purpose. God commands us to love Him supremely and others sacrificially, and to live out our faith with care for one another, compassion toward the poor and justice for the oppressed. With God's Word, the Spirit's power, and fervent prayer in Christ's name, we are to combat the spiritual forces of evil. In obedience to Christ's commission, we are to make disciples among all people, always bearing witness to the gospel in word and deed.

**Christ's Return:** 9. We believe in the personal, bodily and premillennial return of our Lord Jesus Christ. The coming of Christ, at a time known only to God, demands constant expectancy and, as our blessed hope, motivates the believer to godly living, sacrificial service and energetic mission.

**Response and Eternal Destiny:** 10. We believe that God commands everyone everywhere to believe the gospel by turning to Him in repentance and receiving the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe that God will raise the dead bodily and judge the world, assigning the unbeliever to condemnation and eternal conscious punishment and the believer to eternal blessedness and joy with the Lord in the new heaven and the new earth, to the praise of His glorious grace.

**Sanctity of Life:** 11. We believe that all human life is sacred and created by God in His image. Human life is of inestimable work in all its dimensions, including pre-born babies, the aged, the physically or mentally challenged, and every other stage of condition from conception through natural death. We are therefore called to defend, protect, and value all human life (Ps 139).

**Final authority for Matters of Belief and Conduct:** 12. The Statement of Faith does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible itself, as the inspired and infallible Word of God that speaks with final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind is the sole and final source of all that we believe. For purposes of Upton Lake Christian School's faith, doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline, our board and pastor are our school's final interpretive authority on the Bible's meaning and application.

**In summary and in addition:** I am in harmony with the sponsoring church's doctrinal standards and the character standards of the New Testament

a. "I am a committed follower of and believer in Jesus Christ and I am committed to a life style commensurate with the teaching, commands and examples of the New Testament."

b. I have re-read and I am whole heartedly in agreement with the doctrinal beliefs of EFC/ULCS.

**I agree to this Statement of Faith:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## UPTON LAKE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PROFILE

### Community

A suburban community located 15 miles northeast of Poughkeepsie in Dutchess County, New York.

### School

1. Private Christian School for grades K through 12.
2. Enrollment: 75 - 100
3. Faculty 15

### Testing Programs

1. ACT Aspire for grades 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10.
2. P.S.A.T. /N.M.S.Q.T. offered in sophomore and junior year.
3. S.A.T.'s for College are taken off campus during junior and /or senior year.

### High School Curriculum

The instructional program is designed to train students for college. Minimums of 22.5 credits are required for graduation with a three course sequence each of math and science but preferably a four course sequence in each to prepare for college admissions.

The breakdown is as follows:

Bible	4 Credits	(one credit for each year student attends Upton Lake)
English	4 Credits	"
Social Studies	4 Credits	"
Mathematics	3 Credits	(Students usually graduate with a sequence of 3 but may take 4.)
Science	3 Credits	"
Foreign Language	1 Credit	
Fine Arts	1 Credit	(quarter credit for each year 9-12)
Physical Education	2 Credits	(half credit for each year 9-12)
Health	½ Credit	
Computer	½ Credit	(meets one day each week)

**Community Service hours are averaged in with the Bible grade:** Grades 7,8,9 = 14 hrs required  
Grades 10,11,12 = 18 hrs required

### Marking System

A	100 – 93	Excellent
B	92 – 85	Good
C	84 - 75	Average
D	74 - 70	Lowest acceptable averages
F	69 and below	Failure
I	Incomplete	



UPTON LAKE  
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

**2021/2022 FEE SCHEDULE**

**Application Fee: \$60 per child;** A one-time, non-refundable fee received with the application. (This is used to review academic and behavior records and references, interview applicant and parents, provide teacher screening and consultation for learning readiness.)

**Administrative Fee: \$375 per student;** This is an annual fee for each student that helps to defray the cost of books, supplies, and technology. This Fee is billed to each family in July.

**Athletic Fee: \$80.00 per sport with a maximum of \$175 per family per sport.** This is only for students who choose to participate in the sport program to defray the cost of transportation, equipment, and referees. (Our coaches generously volunteer their time and expertise.)

**TUITION SCHEDULE**

Upton Lake provides a rich academic K-12 program firmly rooted in a biblical world view. Tuition provides less than 50% of the total cost. We are immensely thankful for the generosity of our teachers, sponsoring church and alumni, friends and donors, parent fund raisers, and Rock Solid ministries for making this ministry possible for Christian families.

**K-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Tuition**

**\$7,100 annual tuition per child**


**Tuition Discounts:**

Multiple child discount – 1<sup>st</sup> child – full tuition

2<sup>nd</sup> child – 10% discount

3<sup>rd</sup> child & up – 20% discount

\$300 Thank you for referral of *each* new enrolled student.

**Financial Aid Online** Apply for this *after* you complete and return your registration form. Go to [www.uptonlake.com](http://www.uptonlake.com) click on the FACTS logo  or Admissions tab (and then finance) to apply for financial aid which is awarded on a first come, first served basis for registered students.

**Our K-12 tuition has been set at \$7,100 for the year.**

**We continue to offer tuition assistance to all of our families through FACTS (FACTS will replace the FAST process this year). The FACTS tuition assistance application requires financial documentation. You can access the FACTS program from our website or at [factsmgt.com](http://factsmgt.com). Please call the business office with any questions you may have.**

***Payment Options are listed on the back of this form.***

**(Over)**

## PAYMENT OPTIONS

1. Full payment of tuition by August 4th. This payment will be made directly to the school and will entitle you to a \$200 tuition discount. Full payment of tuition by August 25<sup>th</sup> will result in a \$100 tuition discount.
2. Quarterly payments through FACTS made in Sept, Dec, March, & June. (There is a \$45.00 processing fee payable to FACTS for this type of payment.)
3. 10 or 12 month automatic monthly payments through FACTS. Payments are automatically made by your bank on the on either the 5<sup>th</sup> or the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month starting in July or September. There will be a \$45 processing fee payable to FACTS.
4. Pre-authorized credit card payments contact the business office.
5. Invoice Option – FACTS will mail invoices on the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month with payment due to FACTS by the 1st of the following month. If the payment is not received by the 10<sup>th</sup> a late fee of \$25 will be assessed. Returned check fees are \$30 and will be invoiced. There is a \$45 processing fee payable to FACTS for this method of payment.

## OTHER POLICIES

1. Non-payment of tuition. You must contact the school if you find that you have become unable to meet your financial commitments to the school. We are willing to make Christ-honoring accommodations if you contact us. If you fall two months behind in your payments and have not contacted us, your child will not be able to return to school until your account is current. All fees and tuition must be paid in full before a final report card, diploma, or transcript will be issued to a student, parent, or any other school. If a tuition balance remains, a student may not be able to start a new school year.
2. If a payment is missed or a check is returned for insufficient funds, you will be charged a \$30 missed payment fee.
3. We respect the sacrifice that Christian parents demonstrate in paying for Christian school. The cost of the full program is defrayed through the gifts of volunteers, financial contributions and fund raising efforts. If you contribute your time and talents to ULCS it is greatly appreciated and useful in keeping tuition costs as reasonable as possible.

*“Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.” Luke 6:38 NIV*

### ULCS Tuition Reimbursement Policy

A student who is enrolled at Upton Lake Christian School as of the first day of any month is considered enrolled for the entire month. As such, if his/her family withdraws a student on any day of an enrolled month, the school must retain full tuition for that month. Families who have prepaid beyond the enrolled month, in which a student has been withdrawn, will receive a refund of the amount paid for the remaining months minus any discounts or other outstanding balances as recorded on Upton Lake Christian School account records.



FACTS provides flexible payment plan options to families at private and faith-based schools. Families can budget their tuition, making private school more accessible and affordable. Our process is simple, convenient, and secure.

To set up your FACTS agreement, visit your school's website and locate the FACTS link, or go to <https://online.factsmgt.com>

### FACTS CONFIRMATION NOTICE

Once your information is received and processed by FACTS, you will receive a confirmation notice. This notice will confirm your payment plan information. Please check this information for accuracy, and contact your school or FACTS with any discrepancies.

Is my information secure?

Yes. Your personal information, including payment information, is protected with the highest security standards in the industry. For more information on security, visit [FACTSmgt.com/Security-Compliance](https://factsmgt.com/Security-Compliance).

When will my payments be due?

Your payment schedule is set by your school, and your financial institution will decide the time of day your payments are processed.

What happens when my payment falls on a weekend or a holiday?

Your payment will be processed on the next business day.

What happens if a payment is returned?

Returned payments may be subject to a FACTS returned payment fee. Watch for a returned payment notice for additional information.

How do I make changes once my agreement is on the FACTS system?

Changes to your address, phone number, email address, or banking information can be made at [Online.FACTSmgt.com](https://Online.FACTSmgt.com) or by contacting your school or FACTS. Any changes to payment dates or amounts need to be approved by the school and the school will then need to notify FACTS. All changes must be received by FACTS at least two business days prior to the automatic payment date in order to affect the upcoming payment.

What is the cost to set up a payment plan?

If an enrollment fee is due, the amount of the fee is indicated when setting up your agreement. If applicable, the nonrefundable FACTS enrollment fee will be automatically processed within 14 days of the agreement being posted to the FACTS system.

### FACTS CUSTOMER SERVICE

We are committed to doing all we can to provide you with the highest quality customer service in the industry. Whether you want to view your account online or speak with one of our highly trained customer service representatives, FACTS is dedicated to serving you. To view your payment plan details, log in to your FACTS account at [Online.FACTSmgt.com](https://Online.FACTSmgt.com). Customer Care Representatives are also available to assist you 24/7.

