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GENERAL QUESTIONS

Do Traditional students and STREAM students use the same curriculum?

Most of our curriculum is aligned between STREAM and Traditional, however in some cases the STREAM curriculum lends itself better for the at-home model. All students are aligned academically in both programs.

Are chapels offered to every student?

Every student has an opportunity to attend Chapel on campus, although most are held on Fridays, which is a home campus day for STREAM students in grades K-7. All families are invited and encouraged to attend, even on home campus days.

Do BCS students participate in prayer and pledges?

Students participate in prayer, pledges, and recitation of Bible verses. Prayer is said prior to lunch at the elementary level and throughout the day at the discretion of the teacher and pledges are recited each morning.

Does Bracken have security on campus?

Bracken takes security very seriously, and we recently implemented a multiple level security program for our campus. For more detailed information, please reach out to the Admissions department.

How many students are enrolled at Bracken?

490 students.

How many years has Bracken Christian School been in the community?

Bracken Christian School was founded in 1984 and has been serving families in our community for over 40 years—and counting!

Can we still apply if we are not Christian or do not attend a local church?

The child and family must show a desire to receive an education grounded in an openly evangelical Christian perspective, which acknowledges the Lordship of Jesus Christ in daily life and the authority of Scripture as the foundation for moral and righteous living. Scripture teaches that children should be under the authority of their parents, so children must live with their parents or legal guardians while enrolled at Bracken. Additionally, at least one parent must be a professing Christian.

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What is the typical class size?

PRE-K4	12:1
K5 Stream and Traditional	14:1
1st-3rd Stream and Traditional	16:1
4th-5th Stream and Traditional	18:1
6th-8th Stream and Traditional	18
9th-12th Stream and Traditional	20

Are Bracken teachers required to be certified and have degrees?

All Bracken teachers have degrees, and are additionally either certified through our accrediting body "ACSI" and/or certified through the "State Board of Education."

What accreditations does Bracken have?

Bracken Christian School is proud to hold multiple accreditations that reflect our commitment to academic excellence and Christ-centered education:

Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI):

Bracken is accredited by ACSI, a leading organization supporting Christian schools worldwide. This accreditation ensures our school meets high standards of academic quality, spiritual development, and operational excellence. We undergo a re-accreditation process every 4–5 years to continually evaluate and improve our programs, ensuring that students receive a top-quality, Christ-centered education.

Cognia (formerly AdvancED):

Bracken is also accredited by Cognia, an internationally recognized accreditation body. Cognia accreditation validates the quality of teaching, learning, and leadership at our school. This ensures that our curriculum, faculty, and student services meet rigorous academic standards recognized across the United States and globally.

Pre-K4 Accreditation:

Our PreK program is certified by the State of Texas, ensuring both academic excellence and compliance with state standards while remaining rooted in a Christ-centered foundation.

Is after-school care available?

Yes! Bracken Christian School offers after-school care for students in K4–5th grade, available to both STREAM and Traditional programs. Care is provided Monday through Friday from 3:30–5:30 p.m. (excluding half days and non-school days). Space is limited, so families are encouraged to register early when enrollment opens. Please note that there is an additional fee for after-school care.

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Can I switch between the Traditional and STREAM programs?

Program transfers are considered if there is room in the classroom and after it is determined to be in the best interest of the student and family. Any student wishing to transfer programs is encouraged to make the move at the beginning of an academic year or indicate during the reenrollment period. If you are wanting to switch programs, you will need to contact the admissions office.

Do you accept new students at semester?

Yes! We ask that all students be fully enrolled prior to our Christmas Break dismissal to ensure their ability to start class in January. Due to the program structure, it is not best practice to enroll STREAM students mid year.

When is the enrollment open for new students

Enrollment opens for new students in February

Do you offer academic accomodations?

Yes! Bracken Christian School is able to provide academic accommodations for students who may need additional support to thrive in the classroom. Our goal is to help each student succeed while maintaining high academic standards.

Accommodations may include things like adjusted assignments, classroom supports, or additional resources, depending on the student's individual needs. All accommodations are coordinated through our S.H.I.E.L.D. program, which is designed to provide structured support for students requiring academic assistance

What is Bracken's Dress Code?

All students, whether in the STREAM or Traditional programs, are required to wear school uniforms Monday through Thursday.

On Fridays, students may participate in Spirit Dress Day, where they are welcome to wear jeans and a Bracken t-shirt or sweatshirt to show school spirit while still maintaining a neat and respectful appearance.

What foreign language is offered at Bracken?

Bracken Christian School offers Spanish as our foreign language program. Students have the opportunity to develop conversational skills, build cultural understanding, and explore the language in a Christ-centered learning environment.

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Do you offer athletics at Bracken?

Yes! Bracken Christian School offers a wide range of athletic programs for both Middle School and High School students.

STREAM students with a scheduled practice on a home day are required to be on campus for that practice.

For details about our sports teams, seasons, and participation requirements, please visit our Athletics page on the website.

What lunch options are available at Bracken?

Students may either bring their own lunch from home or order from our rotating catering menu. Lunch orders are placed in advance through your FACTS account for convenience.

Do you offer AP or dual-credit courses?

Bracken Christian School does not offer AP classes. Instead, we provide Honors courses for students seeking academic challenge, along with Dual Credit opportunities through Colorado Christian University. These courses allow students to earn both high school and college credit, giving them a strong academic foundation and a head start on their college journey.

Is financial aid available?

Bracken Christian School offers financial aid to help make a Christ-centered education more accessible. Financial aid is offered to current families only. Families must have been enrolled with us for a full year. Bracken partners with a trusted third-party service to review applications and determine awards. However, we do offer a Military and First Responders Discount

Do you have a parent-teacher organization (PTO)?

Helping Hands is a parent-led volunteer organization that assists Bracken in a multitude of areas around campus.

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