Ballard Christian School 1415 Moores Mill Road, Auburn, Alabama 36830

"BCS Co-op 2024-2025"

Registration for present Co-op students will begin March 5, 2024.

Reserve your child's seat in the co-op.

Classes are limited and kept small to give students maximum attention.

New student registration will begin March 19, 2024.

Ballard Christian School, a ministry of Fountain Gate Church, is an institution founded on Jesus Christ with a vision of aiding Christian parents in the education their children while equipping this generation with Biblical understanding and wisdom, academic excellence, self-discipline, and physical education.

Requirements for Admission:

- 1. Family must be an active member of a local Protestant evangelical church. Requiring your Pastor's recommendation.
- 2. Primary teaching parent a Christian according to Romans10:9-10
- 3. Complete steps in application procedure A-Complete application including a birth certificate, B-have your pastor contact Janice Hammock 334-707-0328 with a verbal recommendation, C-pay registration fee, supply fee, curriculum cost and Tutor tuition in a timely manner as scheduled below. All fees & tuitions must be paid before a student is allowed to attend class on August 13, 2024.

We will school on Tuesdays & Thursdays on campus. **Parents** are their children's primary teachers and as such are responsible to school their children the other days required to meet the requirements of their chosen home school covering.

Classes will begin August 13, 2024. Times: 9:00-2:00 for Pre-K through 4th grade;

8:30 - 2:30 for $6^{th}-12^{th}$ grades.

The teachers for BCS Co-op: Sarah Rhodes, Kendra Ellsworth, Lauren Pugh, Erin Sluder, Rachel Pagan, Joy Greenhow and possibly a few new teachers.

The principal is Janice Hammock, assistant principal is Pastor Jeremiah Pugh.

Co-op Tuition and Fees:

1.Tuition will be paid each semester in the office by check (made out to Tutor) or cash

due by August 13, 2024 for 1st semester & Jan. 7, 2025 for 2nd semester.

Grades K-5 through Grade 12 \$700.00/semester

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- 2. Registration fee is \$50.00/ student/ year, due upon registration/acceptance into co-op.
- 3. Supply fee is \$100.00 per student per year, due upon registration/acceptance into co-op.
- 4. Curriculum is due by June 27, 2024. Curriculum fees will be determined in June 2024.
- 5. BCS as your homeschool covering is \$ 75 for the 2023-2024 school year.

Classes will begin each morning with pledges to the America & Christian flags, scripture memorization, recognizing birthdays & prayer.

BCS Co-op communication- The principal, Janice Hammock, will contact you by email or texting when necessary. Your tutor may use another method which she will specify. There is also a facebook Ballard Activities page that will keep you in touch with homeschooling information, field trips, testing, etc.

Parental involvement – The parents are their children's primary teachers and as such are welcomed to participate in each class their student is enrolled. At the same time, we understand that this is not possible in many situations and we do not require a parent to stay with their child. Parents are encouraged to assist with hosting parties during the school year-Christmas, Valentine, and end of school parties.

Dress code – All students are expected to dress neat and be clean. Boys 10 and under may wear shorts during warm months. They may wear pants or jeans without holes or holes below the knee, Shirts maybe collared or t-shirts with positive or Christian writing. **No flip flops**. Girls 10 and under may wear shorts that are mid thigh or longer. Girls may wear dresses, pants, jeans without holes or with holes below the knee & shirts that are modest. **Subject to teacher's approval.**

Student Conduct – We expect students to behave in a respectful and kind way towards their peers & tutors. We expect students to participate in class and respect the tutor's authority while on campus. Students should not talk while the tutor is talking. **Students are expected to keep their hands to themselves**. No running or excessively loud talking, except during recess. Students should expect to be corrected if their conduct is contrary to these guidelines. The principal will be notified to correct any behavior issues and the parents will be notified of any conduct issues. Weapons are forbidden on campus. Weapons includes but not limited to, guns & knives. Student cell phones are put in a box in the Principal's office and returned at the end of the day, except for emergencies.

Ballard Sports – BCS Co-op students may play on any of the sports teams that Ballard plays. **Girls Volleyball**, Ballard Lady Eagles, will have middleschool & varsity teams. The regular season begins with practice starting July 17. Season is August – October, 2024.

Boys & girls Basketball will include middle school &/or JV & varsity. Practice will begin in October & the regular season will continue into February, 2025. Sports banquet

Bancorpsouth School Loan – If you have trouble with paying fees, Ballard has worked out a loan plan with Bancorpsouth Bank for families. The loan is a monthly payment information available.