

STEPS TO ADMISSION

Our admissions process helps us to best serve your family as well as our school's vision and community. Our school has a vision for developing Christian leaders who will influence the world through their Christian life. Please read this page carefully to understand your part in the admission process.

- 1. Visit our website or our school to learn more about classical Christian education.** No other system of education has the track record of success that classical Christian education does, but it makes you rethink what you know about education. We encourage you to do your homework.
- 2. Complete an online application.** Go to theambroseschool.org and click on Admissions/Admission Process to access the application. The deadline for preferred student applications is April 15. However, we encourage applications on a space available basis during the entire year. Please apply early as classes often fill quickly.
- 3. Pay the Application fee.** You can pay the \$95 application fee per student (non-refundable) electronically through the website, or you can send or bring in a check for \$95 to the school office.
- 4. Read "Discover Classical Christian Education: You'll Wish You Could Go Back To School."** This booklet is included in your admissions packet and is a quick read. Please be prepared to discuss this booklet during the parent interview.
- 5. Bring in your student for testing and interview.** Every new student is tested to determine their academic and behavioral preparation for The Ambrose School. The testing process takes about 30-40 minutes and helps our teachers assess the likely success of a student in the grade for which he or she applied. No specific score is required. Rather, we judge the general preparation of the student in core subjects like math, reading, and writing. Students applying for grades 7-11 may be interviewed in other areas as well. **Students are assessed based upon:**
 1. Admission test results
 2. Student attitude and behavior
 3. For older students, their contribution to our school communityEach year we successfully admit many students in grades k-11 from many different school backgrounds.
- 6. Come to a parent interview.** All parents or guardians are interviewed by an administrator at our school. This helps us to assess new applicants based on our school's mission and culture. Families are assessed based upon:
 1. Family support
 2. A family faith that aligns with our statement of faith
 3. A basic understanding of classical Christian education
 4. Application documents turned in to the office

Acceptance and admittance. By April 25th, preferred applications will be assessed based on the family and student fit as determined by The Ambrose School Admissions Committee. Applications received after April 25th will be considered at the next meeting of the committee. Students will be accepted based on the information collected above. Acceptance means that we believe that we can serve your family and there is a fit with our community. In classes that are full, students who are accepted are then wait-listed until we have room to admit them. A student is admitted only when we have a seat for them in a classroom. No further money is required until a student is admitted.

A note on our waitlists: We do not assign a ranking to our waitlists until after April 25th. Once a list is ranked, students are generally admitted in the order of their rank. However, several factors can result in the list being re-ordered. For example, the enrollment of current families with siblings in older grades, holding back a student into a grade, or the employment of a new teacher with a student in a full grade can result in the list being re-ordered.