

Mount Zion Christian Academy

Home of the Mighty Warriors – “Achieving Excellence Through Jesus Christ”

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MZCA Lower School provides a Christ-centered education for students in kindergarten through fifth grade.

The educational team at MZCA Lower School is dedicated to our vision of “Achieving Excellence through Jesus Christ”, which includes:

- Excellence in discipleship
- Excellence in academics
- Excellence in the arts
- Excellence in serving others

As a team, we are committed to creating a safe and disciplined learning environment where staff and students promote and model Christ-like behavior towards each other and respect for one another in order to create an environment where students are free to grow spiritually and academically.

To reach this goal, MZCA Lower School is dedicated to providing the necessary programs to help students reach their greatest potential. We offer daily instruction in Bible, math, language arts, science, social studies, and health. The electives offered include technology, music, physical education, and art. Bible is integrated into each subject to teach students that God is the origin of everything we learn. Psalm 24:1 states, “The earth is the Lord’s, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.”

Along with promoting academic excellence, MZCA Lower School is also committed to the social and emotional needs of our students. We offer spiritual counseling and conflict resolution to help students form positive relationships. We encourage students to be kind and to walk in love with each other. Students have the opportunity to hold discussions in class and during chapel to help them formulate ways to engage in social interaction in a godly manner.

I know 2019-2020 will hold bigger and better things for the academy. I look forward to witnessing the ongoing development of Christ in each and every student during the new school year. I have included additional information to help you prepare for the upcoming school year.



Foundational Information

- **Vision Statement**

Achieving Excellence through Jesus Christ

- **Mission Statement**

Mount Zion Christian Academy is an evangelistic school, committed to the mission of promoting the holistic development of the child in Christ—spiritually, academically, physically, socially, and mentally, in a balanced, safe and disciplined environment.

- **Philosophy of Education**

Our basic philosophy is that Christian parents and guardians have the primary responsibility of training their children. Mount Zion Christian Academy unites with the parents to assist them in fulfilling this responsibility. The academy takes a team approach to education. The team members include:

- the student
- the parent
- the teacher
- staff members
- portions of the community (especially the Christian community)
- the church and academy administrators

As the team works together, everyone benefits.

MZCA must be a “safe place physically, psychologically, and spiritually” in order to properly educate students. We respect each student and insist that this respect is mutual and consistent with all students, parents, teachers, and administrators. The aims of the MZCA education program are:

1. To give God the glory in all things.
2. To teach the fundamentals of the Bible, language arts, mathematics, social studies, science, vocational and technical training.
3. To provide a Christ-centered education that points the student to God (Colossians 1:16-18).
4. To give the students a Christ-centered education. (Colossians 1:16-18)
5. To support the efforts of parents as they accept and fulfill their responsibility to give their children a Christian education. (Psalm 78:1-7, Deuteronomy 6:7, Proverbs 6:20-23).
6. To reinforce the child's obedience and loyalty to parents and other authority figures. (Malachi 4:5-6, Proverbs 20:20, Isaiah 38:19)
7. To equip children to view and evaluate all of life, experience, and knowledge from a Biblical perspective (Isaiah 55:6-9, Proverbs 16:29)
8. To encourage students to have a personal relationship with God, this manifests itself in knowing, loving, and fearing His authority.
9. To equip each student with the ability to communicate clearly and effectively through reading, writing, listening, and speaking.
10. To encourage creativity and an appreciation of the performing and visual arts.
11. To teach the fundamentals of physical fitness, nutrition, and hygiene.



- **Statement of Faith**

- A. The Scriptures.** The Bible is the inspired Word of God, the product of Holy Men of old who spoke and wrote as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. The New Covenant, as recorded in the New Testament, we accept as an infallible guide in matters pertaining to conduct and doctrine. (II Timothy 3:16; I Thessalonians 2:13; II Peter 1:21).
- B. The Godhead.** Our God is one but manifested in three persons—The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit (Philippians 2:6 and Matthew 3:16-17). God the Father is greater than all; the Source of the Word (Logos) and the Begetter (John 14:28; John 16:28; John 1:14). Jesus is the Son of God, One with the Father, the Word flesh-covered, the One Begotten, and has existed with the Father from the beginning (John 1:1; John 1:18; John 10:30). The Holy Spirit proceeds from both the Father and the Son and is eternal (John 15:26).
- C. Man, His Fall and Redemption.** Man is a created being, made in the Likeness and image of God, but through Adam's transgression and fall, sin came into the world. "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God." "As it is written, there is none righteous, no not one." Jesus Christ, the Son of God, was manifested to undo the work of the devil and gave His life and shed His blood to redeem and restore man back to God (Romans 5:12; Romans 3:9-10; I John 3:8; Galatians 3:13-14). Salvation is the gift of God to man, separated from works and the law, and is made operative by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, producing works acceptable to God (Ephesians 2:8)

Highlights for the month of August and September include:

August 22 – Open House/Curriculum Night (6:00 pm)

August 26 – First Day of School

September 2 – School Closed/Labor Day

September 27 – Walk-a-Thon/Fall Lock-In

Books and Supply List (<http://mzcadurham.org/booksandsupplies.html>)

The books and supply list can be found on the school's website at the bottom of the page. The web address is mzcadurham.org. Simply click on *Books and Supplies* and select your child's grade.

Uniforms

Lower school uniforms can be purchased online from Cookies. Follow the steps listed below to access Cookies website:

- Visit mzcadurham.org
- Click on lower school on the right hand side
- Select students from the menu bar across the top of the web page
- Click on School Uniform on the left hand side
- Click on the cookieskids.com icon in the content of the page
- Once the Cookies website open, scroll down the page until you see "Find Your School"
- Type MZCA in the search box and then press search
- Mt. Zion Christian Academy – Durham – NC should be listed
- Click on Mt. Zion Christian Academy
- An option for girls or boys is listed at the top of the page. Uniform items have been pre-selected.
- Polo shirts for boys
- Sweaters will need embroidery



School Calendar (<http://mzcadurham.org/docs/calendar1s1819.pdf>)

The 2019-2020 academic calendar can be accessed by clicking on Calendars on the right hand side of the web page at mzcadurham.org

Open House-August 22

Town Hall Meeting in Sanctuary
Meet and greet in classrooms
Complete Student information packet
Receive schedule

Instructional Day Kindergarten through Fifth Grade

Instructional Day Begins 8:25 am
Tardy 8:35 am
Instructional day ends 3:30 pm

Due to the additional 35 minutes added to each instructional day, students in kindergarten through fifth grade are not required to make up snow days.

Tuition Cost and Fees

\$5000.00 annually or \$500.00 monthly for 10 months

The **first** payment is due no later than **September 5, 2018**. The **tenth/last** payment is due no later than **June 5, 2019**. No personal checks

Required Fees

Registration Fee..... \$150
Computer Lab Fee \$25.00
Standardized Testing Fee \$40.00
Graduation \$40.00 (Kindergarten and Fifth Grade)

The registration fee is non-refundable and non-transferable. All fees and tuition payments are non-refundable. Tuition does not include books, uniforms, meals, and athletic events.



Field Trips

Fall Semester (Dates/Cost to be determined unless otherwise noted)

Museum of Natural Science 3-5

Museum of Natural Science K-2

Public Library (Monthly)

Disney on Ice: Kindergarten -5th Grade: December 13, 2019

Spring Semester (Dates/Cost to be determined unless otherwise noted)

Asheboro Zoo Kindergarten -5th Grade

Public Library (Monthly)

End of Year Trip Kindergarten -5th Grade: May 28-29, 2020

