

## **DOCKERY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY ADMISSIONS STANDARDS**

### **2020/2021 ADMISSIONS POLICY FOR THE INAUGURAL CLASS GRADES 7-12**

Parents, together we embark on a new beginning! By the fall of the 2020 School year, DOCKERY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY is prepared to admit and provide traditional instruction to one hundred seventh grade, and fifty-eighth-grade level male students and provide instructions to one hundred male students with IEP (special instructional needs) in our inaugural academic school year. Additionally, supplementary educational services will be offered to Nashville families. Participating students will be approved through the Tennessee Department of Education registration Process beginning in February of 2020.

DOCKERY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY was founded by Beythel Family Church, in Nashville, Tennessee and operates as a private Non-denominational Christian School with a special focus on educating at-risk male students in Nashville-Davidson County, Tennessee. DOCKERY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY offers a choice for students who are faltering academically but want an opportunity to achieve educational excellence. We exist to expand the parent educational choice within Nashville-Davidson County, offering struggling students in grades seven through twelve the opportunity to successfully reach state, national and international academic standards through a faith-based and rigorous curriculum. Students will be prepared for both vocational and academic post-secondary pursuits.

As a Non-denominational Christian School, we offer a faith-based education for all of our pupils. At this Christ-centered academy, faith in God and religious practice permeates every aspect of the school's activity. It is essential that the Christ-like character of the school's environment is fully supported by all families, staff, and administration. All applicants are therefore expected to give their full, unreserved and positive support for the aims and ethos of the school. Applications are open for August 2020 from families whose child will be promoted to the seventh or eighth grades by the fall of 2020 school year.

### **Admission Numbers**

In DOCKERY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY's 2020 inaugural school year of operation one hundred seventh grade and fifty-eighth-grade level, at-risk male students will be welcomed. In the subsequent years, a new grade level will be added until the school's instructional service-learning span consists of seven through twelve grades by the fall of 2026. Each new academic school year's enrollment will not be less than one hundred and fifty students.

### **Oversubscription Criteria**

Whenever there are more applications than places available, a waiting list will be formed for the next seat available.

### **Reception Class applications**

The general requirements for admissions are as follows:

- The student must be a Nashville, Tennessee resident in grades seven through twelve (7-12) who meets one (1) of the following enrollment requirements:
  1. Eligible to receive a Tennessee Department of Education “Education Savings Account” scholarship beginning August 2020
  2. Eligible to participate in the Tennessee Department of Education’s “Individualized Education Program”
  3. Can otherwise afford to pay the school tuition and fees.

### **Pupils with a Current IEP Individual Education Plan**

The admission of pupils with a current IEP requires that such records be sent with them upon acceptance to the school as a fulltime student.

### **Oversubscription Criteria**

Where there are more applications than the number of places available, seats will be offered first to the immediate family members of currently enrolled students and then on a first come first serve basis.

### **Waiting list**

Unsuccessful candidates will be offered the opportunity to be placed on a waiting list. This list will be maintained in order of the oversubscription criteria set out in the Policy and not in the order in which applications are received or added to the list. Names are removed from the list after one year unless applicants request to remain on the list.