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Ascension Leadership Academy

Ascension Leadership Academy is governed by the Presbyterian Home for Children's Board of Trustees. Ascension Leadership Academy's facility is provided through a partnership with the First Presbyterian Church of Talladega. The Director of Education oversees all school services in the Presbyterian Home Educational System. Ascension Leadership Academy is Cognia Accredited through June of 2030. Our purpose is to recognize the potential of each student and to convince each student that the only limiting factor to their achievement is their willingness and dedication to excel.

Major advantages for students attending Ascension Leadership Academy include:

- ◆ small class size
- ◆ personalized attention allows students and teacher to perform as a team
- ◆ exposure to a learning environment based on a high standard of excellence
- ◆ instructors with a high expectation for academic achievement
- ◆ close communication between parent, instructor, and child regarding all aspects of the child's development and education
- ◆ opportunities for development of leadership skills

Additional Educational Information

History: The Presbyterian Home for Children Educational System opened its first school in 1997 to serve the residents of the Presbyterian Home for Children, a Christian caring community for children and families. Their first school, Hope Academy, received its accredited status in December of 2005 through the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. That accreditation has continued under the accrediting authority which is now named Cognia. Children and their families receive services regardless of race, color, creed, gender, national origin, religious affiliation, or disability. Qualified teachers provide instruction utilizing curriculum aligned with Alabama Department of Education's Courses of Study requirements.

The Ascension Leadership Academy's graduates have demonstrated their educational interest and success through their acceptance to post-secondary schools and their pursuit of post-secondary degrees. Our graduates attend the University of Alabama, University of Alabama in Birmingham, Auburn University, Jacksonville State University, the University of Montevallo, Central Alabama Community College, Gadsden State Community College and various post-secondary technical schools. Upon successful completion of their college or technical school programs, students desiring to further their academic studies have been accepted to and completed graduate degree programs.

Pre-admission requirements: Before being admitted to Ascension Leadership Academy, each student will be reviewed in the areas of aptitude and/or achievement, and discipline. The review is designed to determine exactly where the student ranks in the many different areas of learning and will provide valuable information in the development of a customized instructional approach that will be utilized. Payment of a \$100.00 non-refundable application fee per child will be required prior to pre-admission review. Student tuition is \$7,000.00* for the academic year, or payable in ten monthly installments of \$700.00. Tuition payments begin in August and continue through May. Discounts for students paying full tuition are available for multiple-child families. There is a fifty-dollar registration fee required each year in May for students planning to return in the fall.

* Scholarship applications for Scholarships for Kids and CHOOSE Act (As they become available) can be completed by the due dates for each scholarship. Tuition for students qualifying for either scholarship will be paid in full by the scholarship provider. A limited number of ALA scholarships are available for students not meeting the scholarship guidelines for the Scholarships for Kids or the CHOOSE Act. Tuition of students receiving ALA scholarships is reduced.



APPLICATION PROCESS

For a student to be considered for admission to ASCENSION LEADERSHIP ACADEMY, the following are required:

- ◆ Completed application with a \$100 non-refundable processing fee returned to the Admission Team
- ◆ Return recent transcript including grades from current school year and student's disciplinary report record to the Admission Team
- ◆ Three reference letters (with contact information)
- ◆ Schedule and complete a parent and student interview with the Admission Team (A campus visit is recommended)

Please follow the directions below concerning the application. You may request that the school report and transcript be given to you in a sealed envelope to forward to us, or you may have the information mailed, emailed, or faxed directly to the Admissions Office. If you have questions concerning the application process, feel free to call the Director's office at 256.589.8350.

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Please fill out this part of the application and send it to the Admission Team as soon as possible. We ask that we receive the main application before you come for the campus visit and conversation.

School Report and Transcript

Please give the *School Report and Transcript Request* form to your Principal or Guidance Counselor. The transcript should include all grades, state assessment information, attendance, tardies, and disciplinary information. Please mail the transcript

and school reports to the attention of the Admission Team. You may request that the school mail this information directly to the Admission Team. Students already in high school should provide a transcript with all courses and grades taken for high school credit.

STUDENT ADMISSION PROCESS

Admission decisions on student applications for grades K-12 are typically made by the Admission Team.

Please mail the *Application for Admission, School Report and Transcript Request*, and other relevant information to the Admission Team.

When application information is complete, the Admission Team will make recommendations to accept or not accept the application. Once accepted, families have 10 days to return their enrollment agreement and non-refundable first month tuition deposit to reserve their place at Ascension Leadership Academy.

NOTE:

Decisions are made on a weekly basis while spaces are available. Interviews and campus visits can be scheduled by appointment. For further information, please contact the Admission Team at 256.589.8350 or 256.375.4245. Fax 256.268.8856.

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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION



STUDENT PROFILE PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____
Last First Middle Preference

Social Security # _____ Applying to Enter the Fall of 20____ for: Grade _____

Home Address: _____ Male _____ Female _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____ Race/Ethnicity (optional) _____

As a student, why do you want to attend Ascension Leadership Academy? What goals do you wish to accomplish here? _____

In what academic area(s) do you excel? _____

In what academic area(s) would you like to improve? _____

List any Honors and/or Awards received by you during the last academic year. _____

If available, in which sports would you most want to participate? _____

What recreational activities do you most enjoy? _____

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Present School: _____ Present Grade: _____

Address of School: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Contact Person/Counselor: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____

Last Grading Period GPA: _____

Does student qualify for **504**? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, does student have a current **504** Plan? Yes _____ No _____

Does the student qualify for special education services? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, does the student have a current **IEP**? Yes _____ No _____

(If the applying student has a current **504** Plan or IEP, please include all relevant program documentation with this Application for Admission.)

MEDICAL INFORMATION:

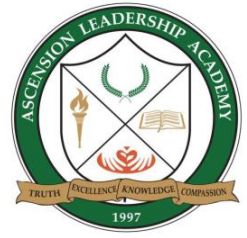
Describe the student's general health and physical condition: _____

List any known medical conditions and/or allergies which might impact the student's participation in classroom and other activities: _____

List below all medications currently prescribed for use by the student. If more space is needed, please attach with a separate sheet of paper.

Name of Medication	Condition Being Treated
_____	_____
_____	_____

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION - CONTINUED



PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Mother: _____ Father: _____

Home Address: _____ Home Address: _____

(If different from student)

(If different from student)

City/State/ZIP: _____ City/State/ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Cellular Phone: _____ Cellular Phone: _____

Fax: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____ E-Mail: _____

Occupation: _____ Occupation: _____

Position: _____ Position: _____

Employer: _____ Employer: _____

Student lives with: Mother _____ Father _____ Mother and Father _____ Other _____

Person Responsible for Payment of Tuition: _____

Has the student ever undergone psychological or educational testing and evaluation? If yes, please describe: _____

As a parent, what are your expectations of Ascension Leadership Academy? _____

What do you consider to be the student's strengths? _____

What do you consider to be the student's weaknesses? _____

What are the student's academic strengths? _____

What are the student's academic weaknesses? _____

Is there anything else that you believe is important for us to know about your child to best meet his or her needs? _____

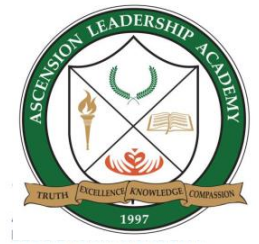
Has the student ever been dismissed or withdrawn from school for illness, misconduct, academic failure or the use of drugs? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please explain: _____

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE: _____ **Date:** _____

PARENT'S/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE: _____ **Date:** _____

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SCHOOL REPORT AND TRANSCRIPT REQUEST



Please ask a school counselor at your child's school to complete this form, attach the requested information, and return all documents to:
Ascension Leadership Academy, Admission Team, 130 E. North Street, Suite C, Talladega, AL 35160

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Please enclose:
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1. An official transcript, current grades, & disciplinary record report
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2. Record of student's standardized testing results
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3. 504 or special education records (if applicable)
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GENERAL INFORMATION:

_____ has been enrolled in _____
(Student's Name) (Name of Present School)

from _____ 20_____, to _____ School Phone: _____
(Month) (Year) (Month/Year)

Principal or Records Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

If attendance and tardy records are not included on your school's transcript, please indicate numbers here:

Current Year: _____ Tardy _____ Absent _____ Previous Year: _____ Tardy _____ Absent _____

Average grades earned in the last grading period (attach grade report): _____

If this student has been in disciplinary trouble at your school, please describe: _____

Additional comments that you feel will be helpful to us as we evaluate the appropriateness of this student for admission into our educational program: _____

Name and location of previous school: _____

EDUCATION INFORMATION:

Does the student currently qualify for 504 services? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please include the 504 Plan.

Does the student qualify for special education services? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please list exceptionality _____. Attach the IEP and special education documentation required for provision of services.

If the student does not currently receive special education services, is there a record of referral for special education services? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please provide documentation of referral and referral decision.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____ Title: _____

We appreciate the time and effort required to complete this report. Your data and comments will help us make appropriate decisions relative to the student.
Revised: October 8, 2024

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FEE SCHEDULE



Ascension Leadership Academy offers a reasonably priced, quality educational facility in which the students work closely with their instructors to recognize and maximize the student's potential for learning.

All students attending Ascension Leadership Academy are required to wear school uniforms. For simplicity and better affordability, uniforms are fitted, ordered and purchased through the Academy's office prior to the beginning of each academic year.

TUITION:

Student: \$7,000.00*

Due August 1, or \$700.00 per month/10 months payable by check or cash at the school office. A 5% discount is given for tuition paid in one annual payment. Tuition includes costs for books and other school supplies. (ALA scholarships are payable in 10 monthly installments, by semester, or by the year.)

ADDITIONAL FEES:

Application Processing Fee: \$100.00 per applicant (non-refundable)

Re-enrollment Fee each year: \$50.00

Average cost of uniforms: \$200.00

Personal Chromebook \$350.00 approximately. Most students prefer an 11-inch screen and we recommend nothing larger than a 13-inch screen. Samsung and HP Chromebooks have held up well with student use.

ACTIVITIES:

Most Academy sponsored field trips are free of charge. Other extra-curricular items such as school pictures and activities, which require the purchase of tickets and/or travel arrangements, will be announced well in advance and accompanied by cost per participant information.

*Discounts are available for non-scholarship multiple-child families.

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STUDENT INFORMATION:



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Name: _____
Last First Middle Preference

Social Security # _____

Home Address: _____ Male ___ Female ___

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Immunization History*: _____

***Must submit Immunization Form with Enrollment Form**

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Family Contact: _____ Phone: _____ Alternate: _____

Alternate Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Regular Physician**: _____ Phone: _____

Regular Dentist**: _____ Phone: _____

Regular Eye Care Professional**: _____ Phone: _____

****Must submit a release statement signed by the Parent or Guardian authorizing emergency medical, dental or eye treatment.**

FAMILY INFORMATION

Mother: _____ Father: _____

Home Address: _____ Home Address: _____

(If different from student)

(If different from student)

City/State/ZIP: _____ City/State/ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Cellular Phone: _____ Cellular Phone: _____

Fax: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____ E-Mail: _____

Occupation: _____ Occupation: _____

Position: _____ Position: _____

Employer: _____ Employer: _____

Student resides with: Mother ___ Father ___ Mother and Father ___ Other .

Names and ages of other children in family: _____

List of persons authorized to transport student: _____

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STUDENT INFORMATION:



All students attending Ascension Leadership Academy are required to wear school uniforms

To comply with the dress code, all clothing items worn during the school day and at Academy sponsored events must display the appropriate embroidered emblems and logos which distinguish the items as authorized attire.

- ◆ Required for **BOTH** boys and girls:

Academy **Casual** Shirts: Golf type shirt with school crest

Ascension Academy Outerwear:

Style: Wind shirt with crest	Color: Black
Style: Fleece jacket with crest:	Color: Black
Style: Sweatshirt-hoodie with crest	Color: Black

- ◆ Slacks for **BOYS**:

Style: Casual pants Bermuda shorts	Color: Khaki
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- ◆ **GIRLS**:

Style: Skort Skirt or Jumper (requires black leggings) Bermuda shorts Casual pants Capri pants	Color: Khaki
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SHOES: Students may wear open-toe shoes but consideration must be given to appropriateness for field trips that require a walking tour. Students wearing open-toe shoes to school will need closed-toe shoes for the playground and gym shoes must be provided for students taking physical education classes. Slides of a house shoe nature are inappropriate.