



PHILOSOPHY

We at Brandon Christian Community School believe that there are two criteria that must be met to provide the quality of education that is worthy of your child.

The first criterion is to provide an academic program that will equip your child with the knowledge and understanding that will allow them to flourish in an ever changing world. It is our goal to teach these subjects in the way your child learns best.

The second criterion is based on our firm belief that every child is born with a unique gift and identity, designed and given by God, for a specific destiny. A child's natural talents and tendencies are a result of this gift. When this gift is honored and their identity nurtured, children and adults fulfill their destiny. Each child is created with a specific assignment that will change the world around them. We believe every child is a story to be read and not written. We refer to these gifts as redemptive gifts. Redemptive gifts redeem something valuable that has been lost. We all have them and when they are engaged we experience the most fulfillment.

It has been our experience that having only one of these streams of education leaves a child with an incomplete foundation. Academics without identity leave a child without direction and identity without knowledge and wisdom leaves a child without ability.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

BCCS will strive for academic excellence through a variety of curriculum, resources and tools. The community realizes the importance of teaching to the developmental appropriateness of the students as well as the integration of the learning styles (auditory, visual, and kinesthetic)

BCCS will combine a small classroom setting and a home school environment which allows a focus on individual student's particular strengths and/or weaknesses.

BCCS teachers will strive to facilitate learning through a variety of hands-on or cooperative learning activities in order to maximize the classroom learning time. Parents will use teacher directed lesson plans to focus on their students individual needs on home school days.

BCCS will strive for excellence in academics which will be reflected in the students' SAT scores, keeping in mind that all students have different God given gifts and abilities. The test scores are to be a measurement of student progress, without any emphasis or pressure on testing.

BCCS will strive to create service learning opportunities.

BCCS will strive to offer a quality enrichment day (E-Day) for parents to have the option to enroll their student(s). A variety of age appropriate classes will be offered.

BCCS will strive to choose curriculum which supports a Christian world and life view. Bible is to be taught and incorporated as a part of the curriculum in all grades. Significant improvements have been and will be made in Science to strengthen this goal, and for students to learn how to defend their faith.

MORAL EXCELLENCE

BCCS will strive to develop students who have the desire to worship the Lord with all their hearts, minds, and souls.

BCCS will help you and your child discover and nurture your child's natural gifting and talent given by God. We will also nurture each child's redemptive gift.

BCCS will strive to teach the students that prayer / pausing to talk to God is to be a natural part or their day. Furthermore, teachers are encouraged to have students pray throughout the day (i.e. Snack time, before a test, for a friend who went home sick).

BCCS's classroom / homeschool approach involves parents in the prioritizing of faith, family and school. It also allows parents the extra opportunity to emphasize character training at home.

PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

BCCS will strive to employ experienced, certified teachers to partner with parents. The professional teacher is a source of guidance and information through prepared lesson plans, community meetings, scheduled trainings and frequent communication.

BCCS will strive to have a Parent Partner in each classroom on a daily basis. The parents will be able to use this opportunity to gain insights into the curriculum, their child and their peers, as well as to be an invaluable support to the teacher.

COMMUNITY

BCCS will maintain a high standard in regards to the application and registration process in order to ensure the committed families are a part of the community school. BCCS's foundation comes from being a community of believers who strive to bring their child(ren) up in a Bible based home. BCCS's like-mindedness is strengthened by the specified biblical parenting programs.

BCCS will frequently evaluate the relationship between the parents, teachers, administration and board.

BCCS will be committed to the strong emphasis of family. A variety of community builders and field trips are planned for families to have the option to attend, as well as the option to bring younger siblings.