

LCA Dual Enrollment Program

Lighthouse Christian Academy, the distance-education provider of Accelerated Christian Education (A.C.E.), is pleased to offer a program designed especially for schools using the A.C.E. curriculum.

Lighthouse Christian Academy (LCA) is accredited through the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) as well as the Commission on International and Trans-Regional Accreditation (CITA). All courses completed through LCA are fully accredited, which validates the quality of education provided to our students.

As a direct result of its accredited status, Lighthouse Christian Academy can validate the education your students receive while attending your school. Through the Dual Enrollment Program, your students may also receive the benefits of an accredited education.

Dual Enrollment Program: We believe that God has allowed Lighthouse Christian Academy to earn full accreditation with two widely recognized accreditation agencies for such a time as this. Lighthouse Christian Academy is offering each student attending on campus at an A.C.E. Model or Quality Status School the opportunity to receive an accredited transcript and diploma through participation in the LCA Dual Enrollment Program.

Advantages:

Transfer of Credits—Accreditation may ease the transition of students as they move from one accredited organization to another.

Access to Programs and Scholarships—Accreditation aids students as they participate in sports programs, apply for federal grants, or pursue admission to accredited colleges.

Enrollment Deadline: For accreditation purposes, each student seeking to enroll in this program will need to apply at the beginning of each school year. This will allow LCA to validate and walk through the entire academic year with him/her. Student applications must be postmarked or faxed by **October 15 each year**.

Graduation Requirements: We encourage you to look at the [LCA Courses of Study](#) as well as the Dual Enrollment Graduation Policy before applying for the Dual Enrollment Program. High school students will be given a projected course of study based upon these requirements, which will place them on the right track to graduate with an accredited LCA Diploma. The LCA Courses of Study are almost identical to the BCS Courses of Study. In most cases only one additional class is required.

Dual Enrollment Graduation Policy: Students seeking to graduate through the LCA Dual Enrollment Program must meet the following requirements prior to receiving the diploma:

Attend a Model or Quality Status School* for at least the junior and senior years. BCS is a model school.

Submit an application and current official transcript by October 15 of the student's senior year. The transcript will be thoroughly audited. Acceptance will be dependent upon the audit and whether the student will meet all academic standards required by LCA for graduation.

Earn a minimum of six credit hours through LCA preceding graduation.

Pay the graduation fee of \$50 in addition to the Dual Enrollment Program fee.

Complete all LCA graduation requirements as indicated on the LCA Academic Projection to the satisfaction of the administration.

Fulfill all financial obligations.

LCA Dual Enrollment Program

The Basics:

- Provides a way to receive an accredited diploma in addition to the BCS diploma.
 - This may help with admission to the college of your choice (though our experience has been that none of our students have ever been denied admission to a college based on BCS's non-accreditation).
 - Some scholarships, grants, etc. require a transcript and/or diploma from an accredited school.
- Courses of Study – students still complete PACES for the course work. This is not different coursework. The Courses of Study are almost identical to the BCS Courses of Study
 - College Preparatory requires ½ additional credit in Math
 - Honors Program requires 1 additional credit in English and 1 additional credit in a Foreign Language
 - All additional credits are available in the current BCS course work.
- When should you enroll your student?
 - Since the student must earn at least 6 credit hours while dual-enrolled, it is recommended to enroll both the Junior and Senior years.
- What is the cost?
 - Cost of dual-enrollment is \$200 per year. There is an additional fee of \$50 for graduating Seniors.
- How do we apply?
 - Fill in the application and return it to the BCS office by 1 Oct so they can be completed and arrive at LCA by the Oct 15 deadline.

If you have any questions or comments about this program, or would like to enroll your student please contact Mr. Root or Mrs. Anson.