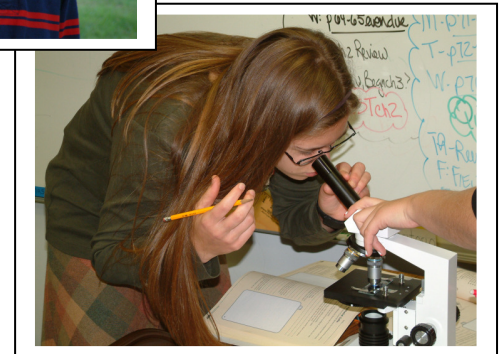


Prospective Parent Packet



*Approving things that are excellent!
(Philippians 1:10)*

6450 Hope Way
Hanover, PA 17331
Phone: 717-633-1479
FAX: 717-633-9591
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www.hopebaptistchurch.org

Dear Prospective Parent,

Our children are our heritage. They carry our values and beliefs into the future. Those values are determined by what we teach them at home, at school, and at church. I am thankful that you are considering Hope Christian School for your child. It is our desire to provide quality education in a distinctively Christian atmosphere and with an emphasis upon the Word of God. I hope we will have the opportunity to work with you in providing training for your child.



Enclosed you will find information concerning our educational program. We have 2 divisions in our school: elementary (K-6); and secondary (7-12). Both of our divisions are committed to *“things that are excellent.”*

If you desire to make application for enrollment, complete the application and submit it to the school office. Subsequent registration procedures are found included in the packet.

Thank you for contacting us. I hope you will be able to visit our school and give the opportunity to meet with you personally. We will be happy to assist you and answer any questions you may have.

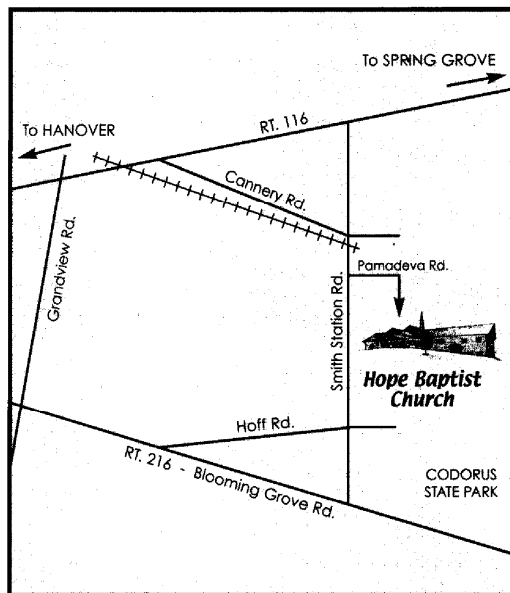
Sincerely,

Pastor Allen G. Harris
Administrator

Detailed Directions

From York, PA -- Take highway 30 west to Highway 116. Turn South and go 10 miles to Smith Station Road. Turn left and go 1 1/2 mile to Pamadeva Road. Turn left and then turn right on to Faith Way, right on to Hope Way. Church/school is in the cul-de-sac.

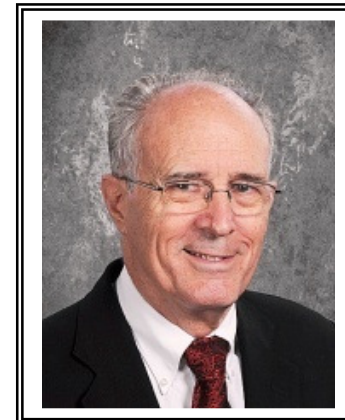
From Maryland -- Take MD Highway 30 north into Pa. Highway becomes PA Highway 94. Go to stop light (Grandview Rd) in Hanover and turn right. Go to second traffic light (Clair's Rest. on corner). Turn right (Rt. 216), then take first left (Hoff Rd). Go one mile to stop sign (Smith Station Rd), turn left; drive for 1/4 mile, then right onto Pamadeva Road, turn right on to Faith Way, right on to Hope Way. Church/school is in the cul-de-sac.



Administration

Administrator / Pastor
Dr. Allen G. Harris

Elementary Supervisor
Mrs. Karen S. Harris



Principal
Pastor Walter E. Fordyce

School History

Hope Christian School is ministry of Hope Baptist Church. The church was founded in 1988 and began to minister the Word of God to this community. As the church grew, the people became more concerned about the educational needs of its children. In November of 2003, the church family of Hope Baptist Church voted to begin a Christian Day School to meet the growing needs of the church family and to minister to the community.



The doors of Hope Christian School opened for the first time in August of 2004 with 13 students in Kindergarten through Fourth Grades. We have continued to add grades with each school year and will continue to do so up through the high school years.

Our Purpose

Our purpose is to put Christ back into the center of our children's lives. Proverbs 1:10 tells us that *"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge."* Later, in Proverbs 9:10, we learn that *"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding."* Reverence for God, therefore, is the beginning of true knowledge.

Hope Christian School exists for the purpose of providing excellence in academic instruction (Philippians 1:10), with a distinctively Christian world view emphasizing spiritual growth and moral development in an atmosphere of Christian love (Philippians 4:8).

Hope Christian School exists as a ministry of Hope Baptist Church and, therefore, will promote and operate on the Baptist doctrine as stated in our statement of our faith.

Entrance Requirements

- A School / Parent Agreement must be signed by both parents.
- Proof of immunizations must be provided prior to entrance to the classroom.
- Application fee (\$105 per applicant) is due upon acceptance; no place can be held until the application fee is paid.

HCS accepts applications throughout the year; however, to assure placement it is advised to apply early. Registration of new students for the fall semester begins mid-January.

Please call the school office with questions or for any additional information.

We look forward to being of service to you.

Non-Discriminatory Policy

HCS admits students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin and entitles them to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally made available to students of the school.



Registration Procedures

To aid you in making application to HCS for your son or daughter, the following guidelines are presented:

Application

Fill out completely and return the application to the school office. Application fee may be paid at this time.

References (Students entering grades 1-12)

Upon receipt of your application, we will provide you with reference forms and instructions.

Interview

After you have submitted your application, please arrange for a family interview through the school office by calling (717) 633-1479. The purpose of this meeting is to acquaint the student and parents with the philosophy, codes, and procedures of HCS and to introduce the student to the administration. A letter will be sent confirming your appointment and listing items you need to bring to the interview. *Before the interview, please send a copy of your child's most recent report card and any recent standardized test results.*

Acceptance

New applicants will be accepted on the basis of a complete review of academic information, the personal interview, the reference forms, and the readiness results for Kindergarten, or entrance tests for upper grades. The applicant will be informed of his acceptance through a letter from the Administrator.

Why Hope Christian School of Hanover?

GENERAL INFORMATION

- 📖 HCS is a member of Keystone Christian Education Association (KCEA).
- 📖 A spiritual emphasis pervades each subject.
- 📖 Teachers provide a positive, productive classroom atmosphere.
- 📖 HCS maintains a positive atmosphere where self-discipline is taught and encouraged.
- 📖 HCS strives for academic excellence. Problem solving and critical thinking skills are emphasized.
- 📖 Children play on a safe, well-equipped playground.
- 📖 A child's welfare is paramount.

STAFF

- 📖 Well-qualified, dedicated teachers are skillful in handling academics and God's Word to shape lives and character.
- 📖 All of our teachers have at least a bachelor's degree. Several have advanced degrees.
- 📖 Our staff has many years of experience.
- 📖 Faculty members are required to be fully certified by KCEA at the level of Professional I.

TEXTBOOKS

- 📖 The Bible is integrated into every subject.
- 📖 Bob Jones University (BJU) Press textbooks are used at every grade level. Secular texts are also used occasionally.

ELEMENTARY LEVEL

- 📖 Physical Education classes are held weekly by a qualified teacher.
- 📖 General weekly music instructions are given by a qualified teacher
- 📖 Elementary Field Day is held on the last week of school each year.
- 📖 Each Friday, students in grades K-6 bring home a Weekly Folder and an “Activity Sheet” containing information about tests, quizzes, announcements, projects, etc. Parents inspect the folder contents and then sign the cover sheet and any tests to verify their inspection. Folders are returned each Monday.
- 📖 “Book It!” is conducted each year for five months. This is a national reading incentive program in which students can earn rewards for reading books.
- 📖 Classes take field trips throughout the year.

HIGH SCHOOL (7-12)

- 📖 Class offerings meet or surpass state graduation requirements.
- 📖 Students are provided with a biblically-integrated curriculum
- 📖 Foreign language classes include Spanish I & Spanish II.
- 📖 Computer classes are available for all junior high students with advanced electives in the high school.
- 📖 Students have required English, history, math, and science classes.
- 📖 Physical Education classes are held for all students in grades 7-12.
- 📖 Opportunities for participation in fine arts competitions are available each spring.
- 📖 Hope Christian School has an active honor society – an official Chapter of the Keystone Christian Honor Society.
- 📖 Students take field trips pertinent to course studies.

OTHER OFFERINGS

- 📖 Students assemble once a week for Chapel..
- 📖 For an extra fee, private piano lessons are offered.
- 📖 Christmas and spring concerts are prepared each year, with students performing programs from a Christian perspective.
- 📖 Our library has over 8,000 books for all age levels. Our librarian meets each week with each class to give assistance and instruction.
- 📖 Speech Therapy and educational testing is provided through the Lincoln Intermediate Unit (LIU) when needed.
- 📖 KCEA academic tests are offered to students in fourth grade up through senior high.
- 📖 Passport Learning Reading Lab is available for those students needing extra help in reading and comprehension.

