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Student Application For 2020-2021

The purpose and mission of Banks Academy is to train and educate students with excellence from the communities of Birmingham, Alabama through a private Christian High School.

Our Commitment to Parents:

- Your child will be in a **safer and more positive** environment
- Your child will be will be enrolled in an **Accredited High School.**
- Your child will **advised and prepared for future employment.**
- Your child will be in a **Christ centered environment**

Scholarships are available to all applicants for the Fall/Spring 2020/21 for a limited time. (We have limited our total number of students accepted, please apply quickly)

We are accepting applications for up and coming **9th, 10th, 11th & 12th Grade Students.**

Upon completion of your application, you will need to call and schedule a meeting. Please call 205-368-3090 to set a time. **You need to bring your application and required documents to your initial meeting along with a \$20 application the fee.** (See the following page for documents needed)

Mailing Address: or **Fax** or **Email**

Banks Academy, Inc. 879-7418 info@banksacademy.org

PO Box 590049

Birmingham, Al 35259

(The school is located at 8301 8th Avenue South) **There is also a mail drop slot on the school entrance door.** Please have all your documents in a large envelope if you drop it off at the school and call 205-368-3090 to let us know you have done so. (1)

Instructions For Applications

STEP ONE

Please complete the Student Application Form, pages 3 through 5 and have a **\$20.00 non-refundable Application Fee**. You can either pay with check, money order or pay online at www.banksacademy.org or bring cash for the initial meeting.

For the initial scheduled meeting, we need you and your teenager to come together. At this meeting, we will provide information about the school and the amount of the scholarship that your child will qualify to receive.

FOR YOUR INITIAL MEETING, ALONG WITH THIS APPLICATION, YOU MUST BRING THE FOLLOWING

STEP TWO – To determine acceptance, you need to bring to the 1st meeting

1. Copy of their **Birth Certificate**
2. Copy of their **Social Security Card**
3. **Last Report Card**
4. **1040 Federal Tax Return for 2019 tax year**
5. If you receive the following, **SSI Disability Payment benefits letter, SSI Payment letter for the Child, Child Support Payments Letter**. Each one of these benefits & income must be for what you received **for the 2019 Year**, not 2020.

(These documents will allow us to calculate the amount of your scholarship)

6. If you have custody of the child, we need the “**Custody Letter**” from the court
7. Standardized Test Scores from your child’s (“Aspire”) or (“Explore”) **if AVAILABLE**
8. Blue Immunization Form (You can provide this later if necessary)

STEP THREE– After Acceptance we require a

1. Registration Fee for Accepted Students \$50.00 and you will be billed for the \$95 Activity fee in August. Tuition payments begin September 1st through May 1st.

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STUDENT APPLICATION

Student Name _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Social Security # _____ - _____ - _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home/Cell Phone () _____ - _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____

Age ____ Sex ____ Grade to Enter (____) **for 2020-21 - 9th, 10th, 11th & 12th Grades**

School Last Attended _____

Address _____

Public School Student is assigned to attend _____

Extracurricular Interest: Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Track, Cheerleading, Choir, Debate, Band,
other _____ **Circle any of the above your child has participated in or has an interest**

FAMILY INFORMATION

Father's Name _____ Email _____

Employment _____ Position _____

Work Phone _____ - _____ Cell _____ - _____

Email address _____

Mother's Name/GuardianName _____ **Email** _____

Employment _____ Position _____

Work Phone _____ - _____ Cell _____ - _____

Email address _____

***Student is currently living with** _____

Other Children or Dependents living in the home.

Name _____ Age _____

School Attending Currently _____

Name _____ Age _____

School Attending Currently _____

Name _____ Age _____

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School Attending Currently _____

In case of an emergency please contact:

Name _____ Relationship _____ Phone _____ - _____

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Name _____ Relationship _____ Phone _____ - _____

RELIGIOUS INFORMATION

Church Affiliation

Pastor's Name _____ Phone (205) _____ - _____

Address _____ City, St. Zip _____

(Please fill out the next page "Disclosure Form" also)

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DISCLOSURE FORM

***APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE “FULL DISCLOSURE IN REGARDS TO THE STUDENT(S) ACADEMIC, DISCIPLINARY, AND SOCIAL HISTORY AT THEIR FORMER SCHOOL.**

Has child ever been expelled, dismissed, suspended or refused admission to another school? _____ Explain: _____

Has child ever had any disciplinary difficulties? _____ Explain: _____

Has child ever been in trouble with the law, arrested, etc? _____ Explain _____

Has child had problems with alcohol, marijuana, tobacco or drugs of any kind? _____ Explain: _____

Please indicate academic level of applicant’s previous performance:

Excellent _____ Good _____ Average _____ Poor _____

Has child ever failed a grade in school? _____ Explain: _____

How did you hear about this school? _____

Your reason for selecting this school? _____

Which academic track was your child a part of at his/her former school?

Gifted/Honors _____ Basic _____ IEP _____

Registration Fees for Fall Classes (Due June before the Fall Semester)

Annual REGISTRATION FEE (Non-Refundable and required each year) \$50.00

Annual Technology/Activity Fee (Non-Refundable & required each year) \$95.00 Due August 1st

TUITION (Paid Monthly & Non-Refundable, Due the 1st of each School month, Sept –May)

Tuition Costs: \$10,000 Annually (Scholarships Available for all High School Students)

The portion of the tuition the parents will pay is determined by a sliding scale based on household income. Every student accepted to Banks Academy may be eligible for financial assistance to pay the remainder of the tuition. In our initial meeting, we will be able to determine your child’s qualification for our Scholarship program..

School Hours: 8:45am – 3:45pm (School Calendar is on web page)

Arrival after 9:00 is considered Tardy

Banks Academy’s Core Values

The **bible is without error** and is God’s written record to all of man. Our school and philosophy are determined by this absolute truth.

We are committed to providing a **safe and encouraging environment** to as many students as possible in East Birmingham & the surrounding areas.

We are committed to provide a **holistic approach** in which the mental, physical, emotional and spiritual needs of each student are addressed.

We are committed to providing a **first class education and Godly training** to prepare the students for life.

General Information and Policy:

Discipline is necessary for the welfare of the students as well as the entire school. It is impossible for learning to take place in a classroom unless control and good order are maintained. Therefore, each teacher has been instructed on methods for enforcing classroom discipline based on Christian principles as set forth in the Scriptures. Banks Academy expects full cooperation from both students and parents. Any parent or student suggestions or complaints are urged to be taken up with the principal in a respectful manner.

UPON ACCEPTANCE, PARENTS ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN DISCIPLINE PERMISSION FORMS. ALSO ALL NEW STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND MANDATORY INTRODUCTORY MEETINGS TO HELP THEM TO BE PREPARED FOR THE NEW SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT. (These meetings will be scheduled in the summer)

- A)** Discipline is a reflection of love and concern as we train and nurture students.
- B)** Responsibility and authority to discipline comes from God. Teachers stand in the place of parents during school hours and have delegated authority to discipline students. It is vital that teachers and parents closely communicate on discipline matters.
- C)** All discipline should be administered at (or as near as possible to) the time of the offense in a thoughtful, caring manner by the person immediately responsible for the student or the principal.
- D)** Discipline procedures should be limited to those directly involved and related to a specific incidence. The people involved should be held to the smallest number possible without undue conversation that would initiate rumors or attitudes negative to the student's school experience.
- E)** The intent of all disciplinary procedures is to instruct and correct bad behavior. Discipline of the students is administered to submit to God and learn to obey the authorities over them.
- F)** The teachers and principal have full discretion in the discipline of the child.
- G)** The school reserves the right to discipline or expel any student who does not cooperate with the total instructional program. Students or parents alike who, violate Biblical principles or cast a poor reflection on the school may be subject to dismissal.
- H)** If a student does any malicious damage or vandalism to school property, the parent will be held financially responsible and the student will be subject to disciplinary action

School Uniforms and Dress Code

It is the desire of Banks Academy that our students live and conduct themselves in a manner that will be pleasing to God, and glorifying to the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Standards for appearance are a means of building character and distinction in the lives of our students. It not only affects the clothes budget, and the planning and shopping for a wardrobe, but every school day this rule visibly affects our students. When a student is observed by a teacher or the principal to be in violation of the dress code, the parents or legal guardian may be called and the student may be sent home to make any needed alterations. If it is impossible for the student to go home to change, he or she may be held out of class for the remainder of the day. The student's grade for each day will reflect his or her absence. We will provide guidelines each year for the school's dress code. The dress code is on our website. (7)

Delinquent Tuition and Fees Policy

- * Payment of tuition is due on the first of each month. (You may pay online or an auto draft plan)
- * Debit card payments are processed the first of each month for tuition that is due on the 1st. (Please **do not pay with cash**, You may use a money order instead)
- * Tuition not paid by the 5th of the month may cause your child to be removed from class
- * If tuition has not been paid by the 15th of the month, the parents will receive communication notifying them of the outstanding payment. If payment of tuition has not been paid by the end of the month, the student may not be allowed to attend class on the first of the following month. **For example**, if tuition is late and is not paid for September by September 30th, the student could be held out of classes on October 1st.
- * Students may be dismissed for non-payment of tuition.
- * Report cards, academic records, and/or graduation diploma may not be released if there is an outstanding balance at the time of the request.
- * Enrollment for a new school year will not be allowed unless all tuition and fees for the previous school year have been paid.

Open Communication

If you are having any issues with paying your tuition bill on time, you must communicate with Darryl White. Call or text to 205-368-3090 or email at info@banksacademy.org