

HARVEST HILL
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY



Information Package

2025/2026

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OUR VISION

To see families strengthened as we work together to raise up men and women who know God, know their identity in Christ, and are prepared to make a difference in the world.

Welcome to Harvest Hill Christian Academy

We believe that God has a love-inspired, hope-filled plan for the families and youth of today.

At Harvest Hill, we follow Jesus' example of transforming ordinary lives into extraordinary ones. Our students are equipped to grow spiritually, academically, emotionally, and physically for an abundant, effective Christian life. We also provide the "gift of time" for families by offering a college-style schedule where students learn in the central classroom two days a week and reinforce lessons at home during the remaining weekdays. This structure preserves and strengthens the God-ordained family relationship.

We're excited to share more about our program as you consider if Harvest Hill Christian Academy is right for your family.

PARTNERING WITH FAMILIES TO PROVIDE A CHRIST-CENTRED, HIGH-QUALITY, COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION

Our Core Values

Christ as the Foundation

Our commitment to Jesus is not in name only—it is the foundation of everything we do. We believe that Jesus Christ is the source of all truth, wisdom, and life. His Word is not just an add-on to our curriculum but the lens through which we view the world, shape our character, and pursue understanding. Our goal is not only to educate minds, but to disciple hearts—raising up students who love Jesus deeply, follow Him faithfully, and seek to reflect His character in all areas of life.

Colosians 1:17, Proverbs 1:7

Family- Focused

We believe that parents are the foundation of a child's education. Children thrive when their parents are actively engaged in their education. Our school is designed so that parents are empowered to spend more meaningful, intentional time with their children in these formative years. In a culture that often separates learning from the home, we are committed to restoring a collaborative, trust-filled relationship between families and the school.

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

Personalized Learning

We are committed to nurturing the unique growth of each student by fostering an environment where individual strengths are celebrated and curiosity is sparked. Our program is designed to engage and challenge students through personalized learning, providing them with space to explore ideas and take ownership of their learning journey. Each child is uniquely created as a purposeful part of the body of Christ, and their education should reflect that.

Ephesians 2:10

Purposeful Preparation

We are committed to equipping students with the academic, spiritual, and social skills they need to confidently pursue God's purpose for their lives. Our program focuses on developing not only knowledge, but also the skills needed for students to be capable, creative thinkers as well as effective communicators. As God calls us to excellence, we strive to cultivate individuals who are prepared to make a difference in the world and serve as His ambassadors in places of influence.

Matthew 5: 14-16, Colossians 3:23

Life Happens in Community

We know that all of God's people are equal in value, but uniquely gifted with different roles and functions. At Harvest Hill, we intentionally build strong, positive relationships between students, parents, teachers, and peers—believing that we learn and grow best in a compassionate, connected community. Our school is a family, with peers and volunteers of all ages collaborating and sharing their gifts. As students are nurtured in love, they are also encouraged to serve—extending Christ's heart beyond the classroom to bless and impact the world around them.

John 13:35

Why ‘Harvest Hill’

The name Harvest Hill is inspired by two biblical verses that guide our mission. **"Harvest"** comes from Matthew 9, where Jesus says, *"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few"*. Just as workers are needed in the harvest field, our school is committed to equipping students to go out and make a difference in the world, using their God-given talents for His glory.

The word "Hill" comes from Matthew 5:14, where Jesus says, *"You are the light of the world. A town built on a **hill** cannot be hidden."* At Harvest Hill, we aim to raise students who shine brightly for Christ in every sphere of life. We believe that like a city on a hill, our students are called to be shapers of society—impacting their communities, workplaces, and the world with their faith, integrity, and service to others.

Together, these scriptures inspire us to provide a Christ-centered education that prepares students not only spiritually but also academically, emotionally, and socially to boldly serve the Lord, bringing light to the world and making an eternal impact wherever they go.

Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field." Matthew 9:37-38

Faculty and Staff

As a family-focused school, our leadership team is comprised of married couples. This provides balance and support to our administrators in their decisions and roles as school leaders, as they also have their own families that they lead and prioritize. At Harvest Hill, we focus on hiring faith-filled, gifted teachers with hearts to serve the next generation. It takes a village to raise a child, and we are so grateful to have a variety of community experts teaching our Christian Studies, Arts Education, Physical Education and Elective courses on 6 week rotations. Read more about this in the Unique Program Features section.

Principal

Alenna and Aaron Jamieson
Directors of Family Ministry and Operations

Vice-Principal

Bethany and Chris Brade
Directors of Academics

Core Teachers

Alenna Jamieson
Bethany Brade
Jacinth Sloomweg
*More to be confirmed before
September as we build our teaching
team

Board of Directors

The Elders Board of the Roblin Evangelical Mission Church sits as our official school board, with a few elders designated to represent the school at the board level:

- Nick Johnson
- Rick Olding
- Aaron Jamieson

Harvest Hill - Past to Present

Our History

Founded in 2023 as Harvest Homeschool Co-op, our program quickly grew to offer two full days of core subjects with certified teacher support, serving over 50 students in our second year.

After two successful years, we're transitioning to an official hybrid school, partnering with University Model® schools, and registering as an independent school with Manitoba Education. We will continue to run out of the Roblin Evangelical Mission Church.

This transition will begin in the upcoming 2025/26 school year and formally launch in Fall 2026. We recognized a strong desire among families for a balance of family time, Christian community, and academic excellence. This decision reflects our commitment to providing sustainable, quality, Christ-centered education that blends the best of homeschooling and traditional schooling.

NAUMS Inc.

NAUMS Inc. (the National Association of University Model Schools) developed out of the first University Model School. It exists to support the development of new and existing University Model Schools worldwide. Visit their website naumsinc.org to learn more about the model.

By partnering with them we receive:

- 1) The support of an organization that shares our values
- 2) A community of like minded schools
- 3) Accreditation and academic oversight
- 4) The credibility of a model with a proven track record

UNIVERSITY MODEL CORE VALUES

- 1) Love and Glorify God
- 2) Help Fulfill the Great Commission
- 3) Pursue Christ-Centered Community
- 4) Affirm, Encourage, Equip Families
- 5) Educate with Excellence
- 6) Integrate Home and School
- 7) Reach Out to the World



“The ultimate goal is that of producing wholesome, competent men and women of character who make a positive difference for Christ in the next generation.”

*Dr. John W. Turner, Jr.
Author, Character Driven College Preparation*

DISCIPLESHIP

The fulfillment of God's purposes on the earth depends on godly families who know Him and make Him known. Parents play a critical role in this mission.

STRUCTURE

The University- Model is a 5-day academic program with students spending 2-3 days in the central classroom and 2-3 days in their satellite classroom at home.

CREDIBILITY

The University- Model's credibility is validated by its trademark, verification, and Cognia accreditation.

Academic Program Outline

Full Time Program (K-9)

Our program is a 5-day college-style academic program that combines:

- Instruction in the central classroom on campus
- Reinforcement and research/study in the satellite classroom at home

Parents and teachers work together, with parents providing extension, enrichment, support, and supervision at home. This support positions parents to build into their children spiritual truths, morals, character qualities and relationships that reflect their biblical convictions. The role of the parent shifts depending on the age of their child, from co-teacher in the early years to a coach in the later years. Students, as a result, become increasingly independent, capable, and engaged learners as they move through the program.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
SATELLITE CLASSROOM Reinforcement	CAMPUS DAY Instruction	WONDER WEDNESDAY	CAMPUS DAY Instruction	SATELLITE CLASSROOM Reinforcement



CAMPUS DAYS (Tues/Thurs)

Instruction occurs in all subject areas under the leadership of professional classroom teachers. The teacher is responsible for introducing all new content, providing reinforcement activities for home days, and providing regular feedback to both the student and parents concerning the student's progress. The teacher is also available during designated office hours to assist families on satellite days.



SATELLITE CLASSROOM DAYS (Mon/Fri)

Students spend the remainder of the week in the Satellite Classroom, which is set up at home, under the direction and mentorship of their parents or designated family member. These days involve reinforcement, research and study of topics introduced by the classroom teacher. Required learning will be assigned weekly on Thursday and is required by the following Tuesday.



WONDER WEDNESDAY

Students are given the opportunity to explore passions beyond the core curriculum (second language, trades, etc.). Families create personalized learning plans, set goals, and share their progress at regular showcases. This program fosters engaged, self-directed learning, supporting a well-rounded education that nurtures each student's unique interests and skills. We may also offer specialized learning groups on these days on campus, based on demand and teacher availability.

Academic Program Outline

Supplemental Program

For Exclusively Homeschooling Families

Families who prefer to exclusively homeschool, as opposed to enrolling as full-time students, are invited to enrol their children in all non-core subjects including Physical and Health Education, Christian Studies, Arts Education, and Electives.

These classes run in 6-week blocks, allowing families flexibility to choose programming that fits their interests and schedules. These courses will take place in the afternoons on both Tuesday and Thursday, and are taught by a variety of guest teachers. Homeschooled children will have the choice as to whether or not they will receive assessment and feedback.

In addition to supplemental courses, enrolled homeschooling families are also welcome to participate in field trips, extra curricular activities, Wonder Wednesday, and other HHCA community events.

Families who choose this option remain under homeschool legislation. They remain responsible for all core instruction and are required to report to Manitoba Education.



Course Options for Homeschoolers

- Christian Studies
- Physical Education
- Music
- Drama
- Outdoor Education
- Visual Arts
- Applied Design
- Skills & Technology
- Career Education
- And More



Block Schedule

Semester 1

- Block 1: Sept 9- Oct 23
- Block 2: Oct 28 - Dec 4
- Block 3: Dec 9 - Jan 29

Semester 2

- Block 4: Feb 3 - Mar 19
- Block 5: Mar 24 - May 7
- Block 6: May 12 - June 18

NOTE: Registration for homeschooled students is required at least 2 WEEKS prior to the start of each semester, and adherence to all of our school policies and procedures is required, this includes regular attendance during the duration of the block.

Unique Program Features



Flexible Learning Groups - Language Arts & Math

Teaching students where they are at, and challenging them to grow

Research shows that students in skill-based groups can make academic gains up to 20–30% higher than those in mixed-ability classrooms, especially in reading and math. At our school, students are grouped for Language Arts and Math based on their current level of ability. By tailoring instruction to each student's skill level, we ensure that every child is both supported and challenged. Students are assessed twice a year, once at the beginning and once midway through and regrouped if needed.



Skills-Based Electives Program

Setting kids up to be capable, confident, and creative citizens

We believe that part of a complete education is ensuring that students are engaging in learning that extends beyond traditional academic course work, is hands-on, practical, and will better equip students to live exceptional full lives as ambassadors for Christ.

Every student grade 1-9 takes part in electives in three key areas: Practical Skills & Career Readiness, Communication & Community, and Problem Solving & Innovation.



Guest Teacher Program

Learning from community experts

Many of our Christian studies, electives, arts, and PE classes are taught by guest teachers — parents, community members, and professionals—who bring real-world experience into the classroom. This approach gives students the chance to learn directly from those who are passionate and knowledgeable in their fields. It also creates meaningful connections between families, the school, and the wider community.



Focused Faith Formation

Partnering with families to instill a deep and authentic faith in Christ

Students engage in daily Christian Studies classes, monthly chapel, and begin each day with prayer and worship—creating rhythms that shape hearts as well as minds. Every subject is taught through a biblical worldview, helping students see God's truth woven throughout every area of learning. We recognize that the primary responsibility for discipleship belongs to parents. We exist to support and reinforce the values of the Christian home—not to replace them.

Academic Calendar

2025 / 2026

Harvest Hill Academic Calendar

At home learning

Holiday/no school

Semester Change

First/Last day of school

First/Last day in-class learning

Start of a new block

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Community Life

Family Ministry

The Family Ministry department is a unique aspect of our school that serves to protect the school's vision of making disciples. We aim to keep parents confident, competent, encouraged and happily involved with their children's education.

Some aspects of family ministry that you can expect at Harvest Hill Christian Academy in 2025/26 are: parent education and encouragement, student-led worship and small groups on campus, family prayer, community service and missions, as well as counselling available for families who desire specific assistance. This department will also enforce the school's written standards of behaviour, approaching student correction from a spiritual formation and personal growth point of view that involves the whole family.



Student Life Activities

Our students enjoy a variety of extra and co-curricular activities, including after-school dance, athletics, learning fairs, musical theatre, seasonal celebrations, and field trips. We are registering with MHSAA, which will enable our grade 9 sports teams to compete provincially, if there is enough interest to build teams. We are excited to see this aspect of our program continue to grow. If you have a heart for coaching or starting a club, please reach out!

Family Involvement in Community Life

Our school is a community - a family - and as such, we love when everyone brings their gifts to the table to serve one another. Some of the opportunities families will have to get involved in will be:

- Classroom Helpers
- Campus Day Set Up and Clean Up
- Committees: Playground/Green Space Development, Fundraising, and Connected-Families
- Recess Supervision
- Lunch Room Set Up, Supervision and Clean Up

Upon enrolment, we are asking that all families sign up to volunteer a minimum of ONCE PER MONTH to help ensure our days run smoothly. This doesn't mean the family member needs to attend the entire school day, but just needs to fulfill their volunteer responsibility.

Tuition and Fees

HHCA is registering as a non-funded independent school with Manitoba education. This means we will be a recognized independent school but do not receive any provincial funding.

This allows us complete freedom to build a program that is innovative, excellent, and reflective of our values. Our program is funded by the generous support of the local church, donations, fundraising and tuition.



Full-Time Program

Registration Fee

- \$100 registration fee (per family).
- This fee is paid upon enrolment and is non-refundable

Tuition:

- 1st Child - \$2500/per year
- 2nd Child - \$2000/ per year
- 3rd Child - \$1500/ per year
- 4th Child - \$1000/ per year
- 5th Child and up - no additional cost

Families will pay a maximum tuition of \$7000 per year. Tuition is due on the first of each month and can be paid over 10 or 12 months.



Supplemental Program

Registration Fee

- \$100 registration fee (per family).
- This fee is paid upon enrolment and is non-refundable

Course Fees

- \$50/ per course/ per student/per block (12 classes)
- Course fees are due on the first day of each block

Financial Support

We desire that finances would not be a barrier to participation in any way. We currently offer **student sponsorships** and **individual fundraising opportunities** to offset the cost of tuition. Please note your desire to be included in these in your application form and we will be happy to support you in this way.

Frequently Asked Questions

Will you eventually be 5 days a week on campus?

No, the hybrid nature of this program is at the heart of who we are. We believe that time spent together as a family is a vital part of a child's education, particularly when it comes to spiritual formation. In order to be considered a registered University Model school, students may only be in the central classroom 2-3 days per week. While we may consider adding a third day in future years, a traditional 5-day a week program is not something we intend on implementing.

How much homework will my child have on home days?

While this number will fluctuate depending on the child, the goal is that homework on Monday and Friday can be reasonably completed in:

- 1 hour for kindergarten
- 2-3 hours for grade 1-3
- 3-4 hours for grade 4-6
- 4-5 hours for grade 7+

We also intentionally assign homework on Thursdays, to allow families the flexibility of the weekend to ensure their child is prepared for classroom learning the following Tuesday.

Do I have to be a Christian and/or attend a church to enrol my child?

We are a Christian school and all of our policies and expectations are derived from a biblical worldview. All subjects will be taught from a Christian perspective, and our staff are required to be actively living out their faith. It is important that the community of Harvest Hill is protected, and that all those participating act in a way that honours God. Expectations for behavior are high and will reflect Christian values.

That said, registration is open to all families who are in agreement with the guiding principles of Harvest Hill and respect the Academy's foundation as a faith-based program. All families will be asked to read and sign our statement of faith as part of the enrolment process. Church membership is not a requirement for acceptance.

Is this homeschooling?

No, while we adopt the best aspects of home education and traditional education, homeschooling requires parents to choose, teach and assess material. From a legal perspective, we are registered under the Manitoba Education Act as an independent school, so HHCA does all necessary reporting to the government on the child's learning. As part of the full-time program, our staff teach all new material on classroom days and assign required homework, which families facilitate at home. Homeschooling families are welcome to participate in our Electives: Phys Ed, Arts Ed, Christian Studies classes as well as extra curriculars. They are, however, expected to self-report under Homeschooling Legislation according to the Education Act, and will not receive a grade from HHCA.

Will high school courses be offered? Can my child get a diploma and graduate from HHCA?

Our goal is to be offering high school programming and graduating our first class by June 2028! As a non-funded Independent school we cannot issue provincial diplomas. However, by becoming a registered University-Model School we can become an accredited institution through their accrediting body Cognia, which would allow us to issue internationally recognized diplomas.

While it is not a guarantee, our projected timeline for this process is three years - with the goal offering grade 10 next year, and grade 11 & 12 in subsequent years, dependent on enrolment and staffing.

Why is it called the University-Model? Is the focus on college?

The name comes from the university-style schedule, 2 days of in-class instruction with independent study at home. The goal is not necessarily college attendance, but preparing students for success in any field through strong academics and faith-based discipleship. The priority is to equip students to follow Christ and make an impact in the world, whether in college, careers, or other callings. As a school we believe in offering a complete education that focuses on all forms of learning; ensuring that students of all abilities have opportunities to shine.

Enrolment Process

Our school is a unique community that we take care to protect. We take time to ensure that all who attend are in agreement with our Christian values and are prepared to take on the additional responsibility this model requires, in order for our family/school partnership to be successful.

Remember, the decision to enrol in Harvest Hill is a spiritual decision as much as it is a practical one. We ask that all families take time to pray and ask God what His will is for you and your family.



Step 1 - Prayerful Consideration

Attend a family information night or get an info package from one of our team and take time to pray about your decision to enrol in Harvest Hill.



Step 2 - Apply

Complete and submit your application form and fee in person to Moise at EMC or by email to harvesthillacademy@gmail.com.



Step 3 - Read Family Handbook & Attend Interview

One of our directors will contact you to schedule an interview and give you a family handbook. Please read through the handbook and prepare any questions you may have beforehand.

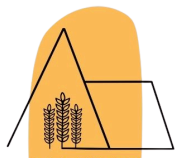
The purpose of the interview is to ensure that parents and students fully understand their role and are willing to adhere to all HHCA policies. Both the parent(s) and children should attend the interview.



Step 4 - Acceptance & Enrolment

Our office will contact you to confirm your acceptance. Then you can complete the full enrolment package, placement tests, and pay your first month's tuition.

Harvest Hill Christian Academy Application Form



FAMILY INFORMATION

Parent Name (s): _____

Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____ Email Address: _____

Preferred method of contact: _____

NAMES OF CHILDREN & GRADES FOR THE 2025/26 SCHOOL YEAR

1) _____	5) _____
2) _____	6) _____
3) _____	7) _____
4) _____	8) _____

Which program are you enrolling in?

☐ Full Time Program

☐ Supplemental Program

OTHER INFORMATION

Briefly outline your children's previous education (public school, homeschool, other)

In what capacity and how often are you able to volunteer (fundraising, recess supervision, school set up/clean up, classroom helper, guest teacher, other)

Do you wish to be considered for tuition support?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Once this application form and the application fee is received you will be contacted by the Principal to receive your family handbook and to arrange a family interview. The interview is a chance for you to ask questions and ensure you agree to the expectations of our program. These interviews will take place in June & July.

Upon a successful interview, you will be asked to complete your enrolment package and placement tests.

Please submit this form

- in person to the Evangelical Mission Church office
- by email at harvesthillacademy@gmail.com

A non-refundable application fee of \$100 per family must be submitted with the application.

\$50 per family if paid by June 5th

Cash, Cheque (made to Roblin EMC) or Scan the QR code

