



**WESTLAKE**  
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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# WELCOME

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Thank you for taking the time to visit Westlake Christian Academy. We are so pleased that you have come to find out more about our school. Our desire is to partner with you in the discipleship of your children.

As one of the few Christian schools in the area, we are passionate about training our students to love and follow Jesus. At the same time, we place a high value on academic rigor and 21st century skills. We want our graduates to be well-equipped to engage with the culture and impact the world.

If this is the type of education you are pursuing for your children, then I hope you will begin the application process now.

With eternity in mind,  
Laura DeReus  
*Principal*



## Our Mission

To provide for Christian families a Christ-centered education  
that disciplines our students to honor Jesus Christ  
in thought, word, and deed.

## Our Vision

Every student a disciple of Jesus Christ.

# **MEET WESTLAKE**

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Westlake offers a rigorous academic program that provides students with a radically different definition of the good life. We are all about discipling students so that they are prepared to serve God and others. By presenting all material from a biblical perspective and offering a wide variety of service learning opportunities, we hope to lead students into a deeper love for God, a spirit of compassion, and a faith that they can defend.

## **Our Core Values**

### **TRUTH**

Eternally exists in God

### **GOSPEL**

Radically transforms the believer

### **LOVE**

Love for God and others leads to holiness and service

### **DISCIPLESHIP**

Learning to follow Jesus in thought, word, and deed

### **SCHOLARSHIP**

Preparation through excellent academics taught with a Christian world view

### **INTEGRATED INSTRUCTION**

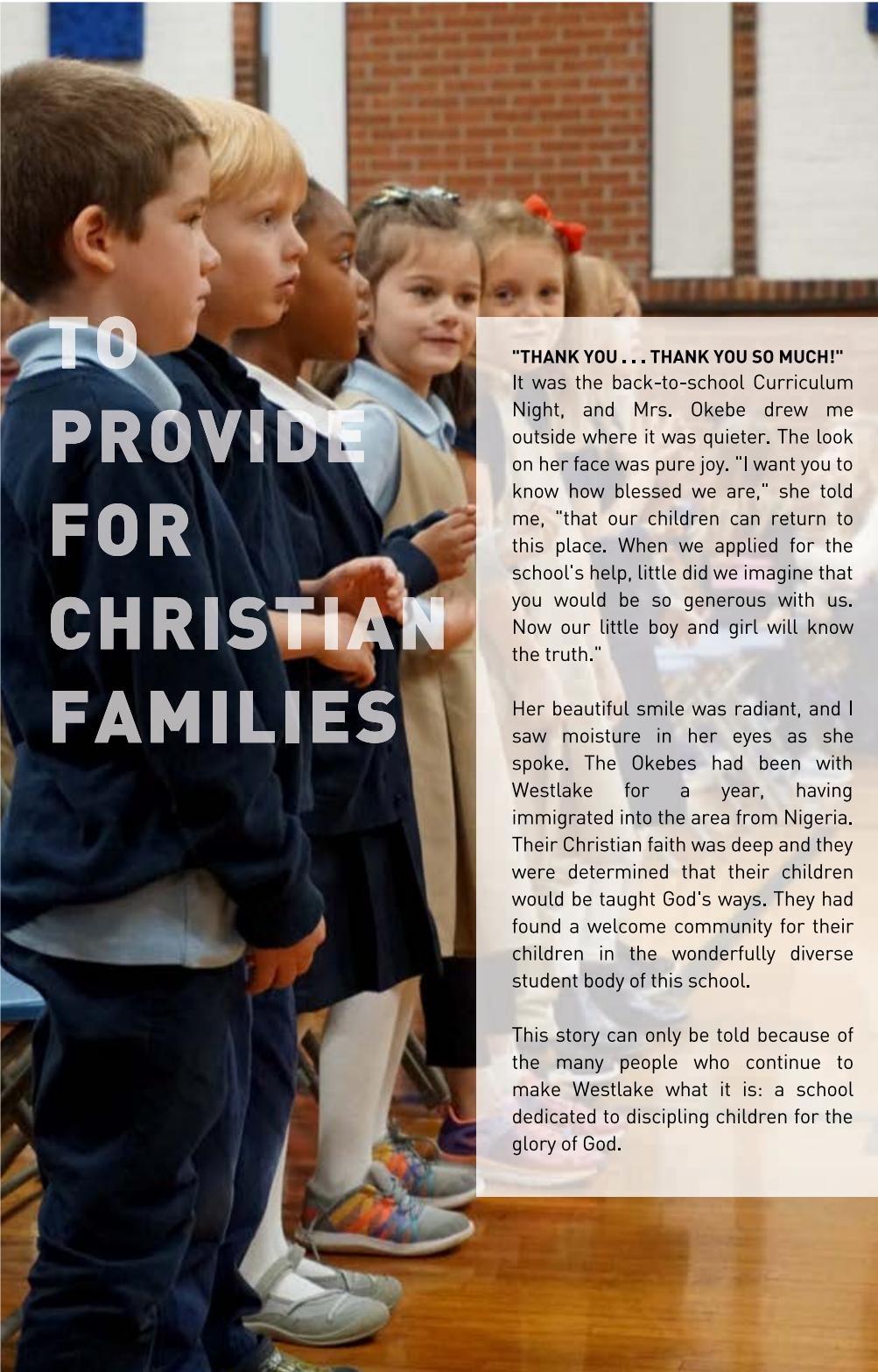
Educating the whole child to be well rounded and thoroughly equipped

### **UNITY IN DIVERSITY**

Celebrating the variety in God's family

### **COMMUNITY**

Doing life together



# TO PROVIDE FOR CHRISTIAN FAMILIES

## "THANK YOU . . . THANK YOU SO MUCH!"

It was the back-to-school Curriculum Night, and Mrs. Okebe drew me outside where it was quieter. The look on her face was pure joy. "I want you to know how blessed we are," she told me, "that our children can return to this place. When we applied for the school's help, little did we imagine that you would be so generous with us. Now our little boy and girl will know the truth."

Her beautiful smile was radiant, and I saw moisture in her eyes as she spoke. The Okebes had been with Westlake for a year, having immigrated into the area from Nigeria. Their Christian faith was deep and they were determined that their children would be taught God's ways. They had found a welcome community for their children in the wonderfully diverse student body of this school.

This story can only be told because of the many people who continue to make Westlake what it is: a school dedicated to discipling children for the glory of God.



# A CHRIST-CENTERED EDUCATION

"**AS A WESTLAKE ALUM,** there's a lot I can say about Westlake." Twenty-sixteen graduate, Kayla, recognizes the value of having Christ at the center of her education and her life. "It is more important to go into college having a strong Christian background and a faith of your own than enter with 10 college credits. They left me with a strong foundation in the gospel, wisdom, and I learned so many practical life things from the Christ-centeredness that they so strongly focus on."

At Westlake, it's not just about the Bible classes. In every subject we strive to lead students into a deeper love for God, a spirit of compassion, and a faith that they can defend.

"It doesn't matter if you don't have AP this or that," Kayla continues. "Westlake is a school that helps your child be spiritually strong." This challenge, discipling our youth, is so difficult in the context of modern American life. Therefore, it is vital for parents to have a place like Westlake which will partner with them in intentionally discipling their children within the context of an excellent, educational program.

# EARLY LEARNING CENTER

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Our play-based early learning program offers a safe, loving environment where children grow academically, spiritually, socially, and physically. Our literature-rich, Christ-centered curriculum includes a wide variety of multi-sensory activities that prepare children for success in school.



[WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/ELC](http://WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/ELC)

## Half Day Options

	8:20a - 11:30a	Rates
Preschool (Age 3)	2 Days (M/W or T/TH)	\$1,333
Preschool & Pre-K (Age 3 & 4)	3 Days (M/W/F)	\$1,998
Preschool & Pre-K (Age 3 & 4)	5 Days (M-F)	\$3,333

## Full Day Options

	8:20a - 3:10p	Rates
Preschool (Age 3)	2 Days (M/W or T/TH)	\$2,020
Preschool & Pre-K (Age 3 & 4)	3 Days (M/W/F)	\$3,030
Preschool & Pre-K (Age 3 & 4)	5 Days (M-F)	\$5,050

# KINDERGARTEN

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Our kindergarten program offers a safe, loving environment where students engage in hands-on activities focused on preparing them to read, write, solve problems, and think critically. Our teachers consistently integrate faith and learning as students study a wide variety of high-interest topics.



[WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/KINDERGARTEN](http://WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/KINDERGARTEN)

## Half Day Option

Kindergarten (Age 5)	8:20a - 11:30a 5 Days (M-F)	Rates* \$3,175 - \$5,292
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## Full Day Option

Kindergarten (Age 5)	8:20a - 3:10p 5 Days (M-F)	Rates* \$4,164 - \$6,940
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*Full Day Kindergarten is Morning Class Plus Afternoon Enrichment*

**Extended Care is Available from 7a - 6p for an Additional Charge for PS - 6th**

Children must turn the appropriate age by September 1st | \*Variable Tuition Rates Are Available for K-12th Grade

# **ELEMENTARY**

## **1ST - 6TH GRADE**

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Our elementary faculty and staff have worked diligently to create a safe, nurturing environment where every child is encouraged to grow both academically and spiritually. Children receive rigorous instruction in reading, math, and the sciences, as well as opportunities to explore music and the arts. By teaching within the context of a Christian worldview, we inspire children of all ages to become disciples of Jesus Christ in thought, word, and deed.



**WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/ELEMENTARY**

### **Variable Tuition**

First Child (1st - 6th Grade)  
Second Child & Beyond

### **Rates\***

\$4,908 - \$8,180  
\$4,663 - \$7,771

### **School Day:**

**8:20a - 3:10p**

# **SECONDARY**

## **7TH - 12TH GRADE**

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Our high school program is primarily college preparatory. The academic emphasis is to provide educational experiences with the rigor, breadth, and depth necessary for graduates to succeed in whatever post-secondary pursuits they desire. We hope they will continue to build and solidify their understanding of a Christian worldview as they prepare for life and pursue vocational excellence.



**WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/HIGHSCHOOL**

### **Variable Tuition**

First Child (7th - 12th Grade)  
Second Child & Beyond

### **Rates\***

\$5,469 - \$9,115  
\$5,195 - \$8,659

### **School Day:**

**8:15a - 3:20p**

**Every Friday is a Late Start | Half Day: 9:00 - 12:00 Full Day: 9:00 - 3:10/3:20**

\*Variable Tuition is Matched to Each Family's Unique Financial Situation. See Page 10 or More Information

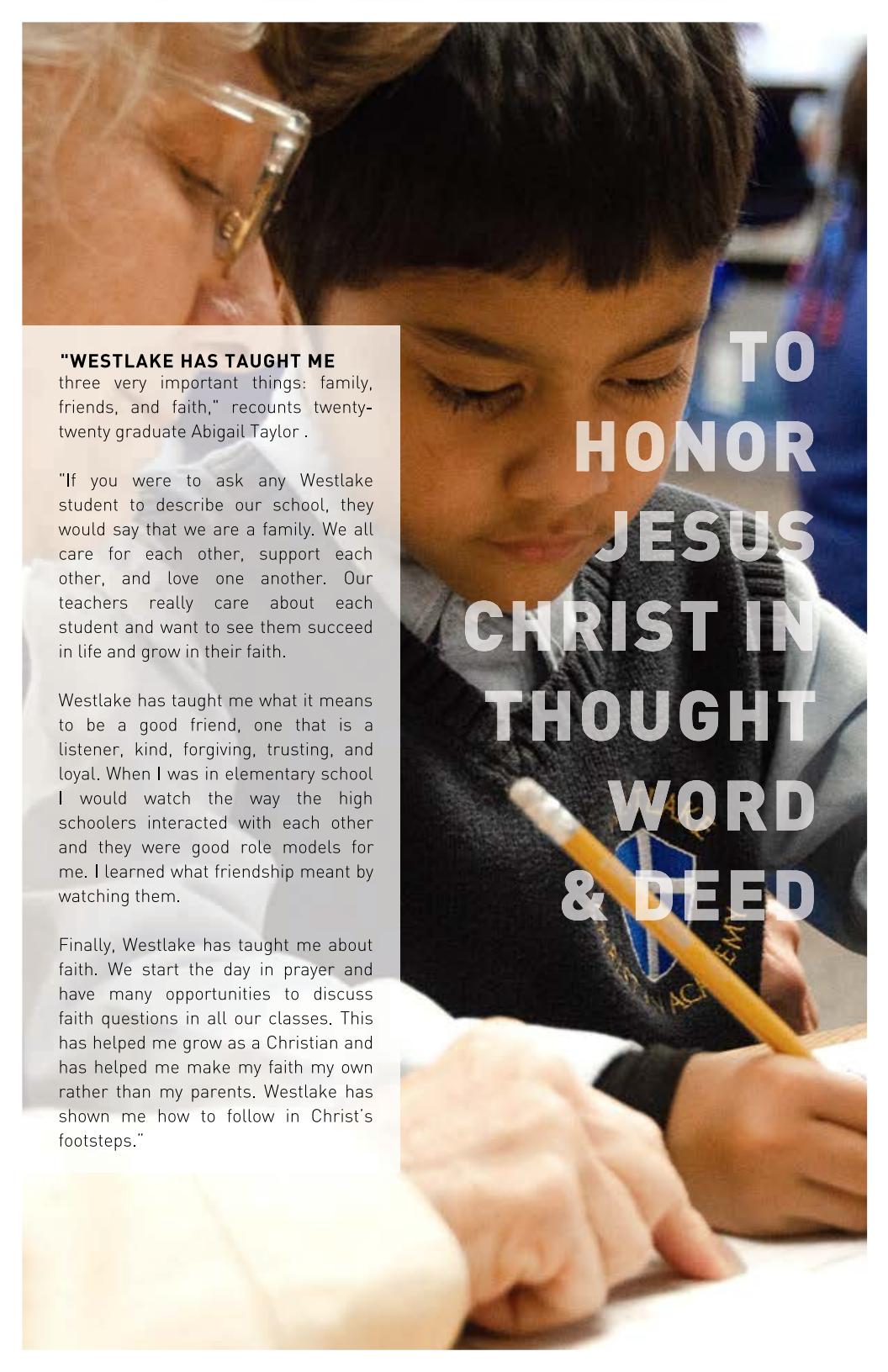


# THAT DISCIPLES OUR STUDENTS

**"THE AMERICAN CULTURE** is saturated with messages of materialism, relativism, and self promotion. At Westlake, we are committed to telling a different story," Principal Laura DeReus explains. "As it becomes increasingly difficult to train children to honor God in both their thoughts and actions, we are offering an excellent academic program that disciplines our students to honor Jesus Christ in thought, word, and deed.

We believe in educating the whole child, so we offer a well-rounded curriculum that addresses academic, social, physical, emotional, and spiritual needs. Our classes are taught using research-based best practices. We integrate service-learning opportunities into our academic curriculum to help our students begin to think beyond themselves.

Our teachers are well-trained and spiritually mature. Our students are loved and challenged to do their best in all areas. We offer a wide variety of fine arts and athletic opportunities, as well as support services as needed. We desire to partner with parents to educate their children and prepare them to become servant leaders."



# TO HONOR JESUS CHRIST IN THOUGHT WORD & DEED

**"WESTLAKE HAS TAUGHT ME**  
three very important things: family,  
friends, and faith," recounts twenty-  
twenty graduate Abigail Taylor.

"If you were to ask any Westlake  
student to describe our school, they  
would say that we are a family. We all  
care for each other, support each  
other, and love one another. Our  
teachers really care about each  
student and want to see them succeed  
in life and grow in their faith.

Westlake has taught me what it means  
to be a good friend, one that is a  
listener, kind, forgiving, trusting, and  
loyal. When I was in elementary school  
I would watch the way the high  
schoolers interacted with each other  
and they were good role models for  
me. I learned what friendship meant by  
watching them.

Finally, Westlake has taught me about  
faith. We start the day in prayer and  
have many opportunities to discuss  
faith questions in all our classes. This  
has helped me grow as a Christian and  
has helped me make my faith my own  
rather than my parents. Westlake has  
shown me how to follow in Christ's  
footsteps."

# VARIABLE TUITION

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At Westlake Christian Academy, we strive to make education available to families who value a strong academic education that is rooted in Christ, regardless of the family's ability to pay. To help families with the cost of education, WCA offers a Variable Tuition program. We match your tuition rate to your family's unique financial position so that tuition at Westlake is not a one size fits all, it's a range. This program is optional for each family.



Please see our website or contact our school office for more information on how to apply for Variable Tuition.

[WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/VARIABLE-TUITION](http://WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/VARIABLE-TUITION)

# BEFORE & AFTER CARE

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Before and After School Care is available for Westlake students in Preschool–6th grade. Before School care includes supervised time for play and/or homework. After School Care provides structured activities, games, free play, and a time for homework for the older grades.

[WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/EXTENDED CARE](http://WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/EXTENDED CARE)

## Before Care | 7:00a - 8:20a

2 Days (M/W or T/TH)	\$495
3 Days (M/W/F)	\$783
5 Days (M-F)	\$1,278

## After Care | 3:10p - 6:00p

2 Days (M/W or T/TH)	\$1,143
3 Days (M/W/F)	\$1,737
5 Days (M-F)	\$2,808

## Before & After Care Combined | 7:00a - 6:00p

2 Days (M/W or T/TH)	\$1,638
3 Days (M/W/F)	\$2,502
5 Days (M-F)	\$4,086

*Please Note: Before and After School Care is not available for ½ days, teacher in-service days, holidays, or spring and Christmas vacations.*

# NEXT STEPS

## APPLY ONLINE

The admissions application is online. You will create a login and submit your application and documents through FACTS Family Portal.

 [WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/APPLY](http://WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/APPLY)

## FAMILY INTERVIEW

Once your admissions application is submitted online and all required forms and recommendations are received, you will be contacted to schedule a family interview with our principal, Mrs. Laura DeReus.

## ONLINE ENROLLMENT

Online enrollment is the final step. You will receive an email with instructions. The online enrollment packet and registration fee, along with the signed financial agreement form, must be submitted in order to finalize enrollment at Westlake.

## DISCOVER WESTLAKE

To learn more about a Christ-centered education at Westlake, we invite you to contact us for more information, schedule a tour, or attend an open house.

 [WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/DISCOVER](http://WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/DISCOVER)

## VARIABLE TUITION

Tuition at Westlake is a range, based on each family's unique financial situation. Applying for Variable Tuition is optional and may be completed at any point in the admissions process. Please note that the turnaround time is a minimum of three weeks.

 [WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/VARIABLE-TUITION](http://WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/VARIABLE-TUITION)

## FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

Upon notification of acceptance, you will receive a financial agreement form that contains your tuition amount. If you applied for Variable Tuition, this form will be held by the school until the Variable Tuition process is complete and an award has been made.

## WELCOME TO WESTLAKE!

After completing your online enrollment, please watch for a Welcome Mailing. You will also start receiving "What's Up @ Westlake" and "Principal's Pulse" email communications. New Family Orientation will be held in August before school starts.

 [WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/WELCOME](http://WESTLAKECHRISTIAN.ORG/WELCOME)

# PREPARED TO SERVE

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