



Application for Admission

Grades K - 8



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*Early Childhood Education Program*

*Pre-school 2-4 year old*



Dear Prospective Grace Families,

Thank you for your interest in Grace Lutheran School (GLS). We are pleased that you are considering GLS for the Christian education of your child/children. GLS exists to provide a quality education, one in which students may also experience growth in their faith in Jesus. High academic standards grounded in Christian values characterize education at Grace. Grace is open to all families in our community.

We encourage you to visit our campus to experience the excellence in our classrooms. Grace Lutheran School is a learning community that integrates and correlates God's Word and Christian values with the students' learning and living experiences so that they see purpose in their studies and in their lives. Students feel a strong sense of personal worth as God's children. Students recognize God's spirit at work in their lives, creating a climate of trust, respect, cooperation, concern, and love among teachers, parents, and students.

We welcome the opportunity to get to know you and your child during the admission process. We invite you to schedule a tour of our campus. It would be our pleasure to assist as you apply to Grace Lutheran. Please call us at (863) 293-9744 if we may help you.

Sincerely,

Michael Rottmann  
Principal

# Mission Statement

The mission of Grace Lutheran School is to provide its students and their families with a strong spiritual and academic foundation so that they know and understand God's plan of salvation through Jesus Christ and are also able to live lives appropriate to their positions in their families, churches, community and country.



# **Admission Overview**

Grace Lutheran School seeks to attract highly motivated, achievement-oriented students who will be challenged and inspired by our excellent faculty and programs. We encourage all interested families to visit our campus so they can discover the full array of academic and extra-curricular opportunities that Grace Lutheran School offers each child.

## **Application Process**

### **APPLICATION**

Please complete and submit the enclosed application and the non-refundable \$90.00 application fee to initiate the admission process. Checks should be made payable to Grace Lutheran School.

### **ADMISSION TESTING**

Entrance testing is administered to all applicants. There are no additional fees for testing.

### **ACADEMIC RECORD**

Grace Lutheran requires a copy of an official transcript, a copy of the first semester report card and recent standardized tests results for all students applying to grades 1-8.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

All students applying to grades 1-8 should give the appropriate recommendation forms to current teachers and administrators for completion along with a stamped envelope addressed to Grace Lutheran School Admission.

### **OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

Please provide a copy of the student's birth certificate, proof of immunizations and current physical by a Florida physician. Candidates for grades 6-8 must complete the enclosed applicant questionnaire.

Students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin who meet our admission requirements are admitted to Grace Lutheran School and are given access to all of the rights, privileges, programs and activities that are made available to all students of the school. Grace Lutheran does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its admission and educational policies, scholarship programs, athletics and other school administered programs.



## *Checklist for Admission to GLS:*

Please provide the following documents to GLS soon after receiving this packet.

We prefer to receive documents as they are completed. Your child's application is considered complete and ready to process when the school has received the following items:

\_\_\_\_\_ Application (for **ALL** applicants to grades K-8)

\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant Questionnaire (for applicants to grades 6-8)

\_\_\_\_\_ Application Fee of \$90.00; non-refundable.

\_\_\_\_\_ Copy of Birth Certificate

\_\_\_\_\_ Academic Records (for applicants to grades 1-8) from current school. Please give your child's current school the **Permission to Release Records** form. **\*Note:** Transcripts and teacher recommendations must be sent from your child's current school directly to Grace Lutheran. A Conduct/Discipline report should also be included.

\_\_\_\_\_ Standardized Testing Results

\_\_\_\_\_ Current Immunization form (HRS Form 680) **AND** proof of physical from a Florida physician or the Florida Department of Health (HRS Form 3040)

\_\_\_\_\_ Doctors Diagnosis / Psychological evaluations / IEP and 504 Plans (If applicable). Please fill out form.

*Please contact the Admission Department at (863) 293-9744, with any questions or visit our website at: [school.glwh.org](http://school.glwh.org)*

# Financial Assistance Information



Grace Lutheran School is committed to enrolling a talented and diverse student body. We strive to make this educational experience affordable to all families that may require financial assistance.

Grace Lutheran School makes all admission decisions without regard to financial status. Families who have reviewed their financial situation and feel that help may be needed in paying tuition should apply for aid. Financial aid awards are available at any grade level to families who demonstrate need.

In determining need, the guidelines of the FACTS TUITION AID company are used. Each award is individualized based upon the financial assessment of each applicant. It is important to note that Grace Lutheran School may not be able to accommodate all financial aid applicants in a given year. Applications received in the Principal's Office beginning Feb. 1, will receive first priority relative to aid dollars available.

All families applying for financial aid for the first time should contact the Principal's Office for an appointment to receive an application for the following school year. Families currently receiving aid must submit a new application each year. If the family's financial circumstances remain the same, the school will make every effort to assist a family.

The Financial Aid Committee will make awards bi-monthly based upon the evaluation of the FACTS TUITION AID report and our own assessment of the data submitted.

Grace Lutheran accepts both the **Step Up for Students** and **McKay** scholarships. Please see our website, [school.glwh.org](http://school.glwh.org) for links to these programs.

## [How to Apply](#)

If you feel that you would qualify to receive financial assistance, please contact the school office at (863) 293-9744 to schedule an appointment with the principal to discuss your desire to apply for financial assistance .



Our classes stop in 8th grade,  
but the lessons last a lifetime.

The values and habits our students learn go beyond skills measured by standardized tests. For more than four decades our students have gone on to achieve success in high school and college, thanks to a well-rounded education conducted in a secure, nurturing environment. Here are a few of the opportunities at Grace Lutheran School:

- High-level academics
- Development of critical thinking skills
- Educational Field Trips along with extended field trips in Middle School
- Fine arts
- Music
- Athletics
- Technology
- Community outreach

Believe in opportunity-the opportunity for every child to learn, grow, and succeed.



Grace Lutheran is accredited by the following organizations:

NLSA- National Lutheran Schools Association

FL-GA District of the LCMS(Lutheran Church Missouri Synod)