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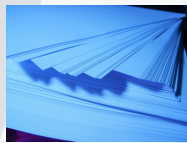
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A look at what is going on Behind the Scenes

- Foundations Course presented by FACE
- We received an amazing donation of furniture from a local school
- Continued planning is taking place for fundraising and marketing. If you are interested in helping, please email: contact@firstprinciplesacademy.co
- Construction permits have been submitted
- FPA will have a booth at Oldham County Day, July 20th!!!
- Admissions opened and the list of students continues to grow!
- Steering team working on the final touches of school documents

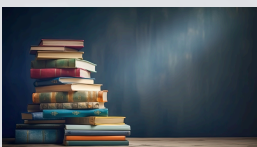
SCHOOL SUPPLY NEEDS

We have been asked what are some items the school is in need of.



An Industrial size printer, along with printer paper, and ink is at the top of the list

Our next big purchase will also be curriculum books for the students



Teachers will also have a list of classroom needs we will publish next month

Pictures are just for illustration purposes**

Teacher Hiring Update

As you know our Steering Team has been and will continue to work hard this summer. Interviews for teachers started back in late May and continued into early June.

We now have a wonderful group of teachers who see the vision and want to be a part of this mission. They have embraced the Principle Approach and want to work alongside parents to instill in the students of FPA these values & principles.

Prayers as the Holy Spirit works through them.

Announcement coming soon on who these faith led teachers are!!!!

Let us take a moment to say how good our God is!! Thank you, Lord, for being our guide on this journey. It is a blessing to do your work!! In His Almighty Name.

Admissions opened on Monday, June 3rd, 2024. In just 3 1/2 weeks we are at 81 students, which is 53 families who are interested in their child(ren) attending FPA. The Steering team has created a calendar with dates for family interviews and student placement testing. These dates are being shared with those families. A signup genius for scheduling will be sent out by Sunday June 30th.

What can families expect on these Family Interview Days:

- Forms given to parents outlining our policies and practices
 - FPA Christian Philosophy of Education, Mission Statement Exercise, Code of Conduct & Discipline Policy, Sample of Family Covenant and Enrollment Agreement, School calendar, and Uniform/Dress code policy
- Parents will have access to look through the books and guides we will be using this school year
- Students will take a placement test that focuses on Math, Reading, and Language while parents are reviewing their documents.

Q & A

1. How long will the test take? It will depend on the child. We have been told it could be anywhere from 1 - 3 hours.
2. Is there a fee associated with the test? Yes. The fee will be \$30 per student. Parents will be responsible for covering this cost.
3. What if this would be a financial burden? Parents will be asked to reach out to our Steering team to discuss further.
4. Why are students taking this placement test? a. To make sure the child is in the right class. b. Level field, same test given for each grade.

First Principles Team understands each child's individuality and they are made in God's image. We want to meet the child where they are in their learning. We will work with parents, listening to any concerns and make the best decisions possible for their student

What folks are saying about the Foundations Course

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You may be wondering what the Foundations Course is. This link will take you to the FACE site where they go into detail. [Foundations Course - The Foundation for American Christian Education \(face.net\)](https://www.face.net)

I was blessed to be able to attend the Foundation's course. I loved meeting people who are sold out to Jesus & who truly care about our youth. The instructors have a zeal for the Lord. Everything they taught pointed to God. Such a worthwhile week of learning & growing in the Lord!
Bethany Shoemaker

I was tremendously impressed with the Foundations course. It was an ultra-informational week, and the breadth of knowledge displayed by all the teachers was phenomenal.
Mike Dudley

I believe because of this methodology of the Principle Approach, we are going to be able to restore a love of learning to children.
Michelle Elliott

The Foundations course has been an opportunity for God-centered study that brings into definition His providential fingerprints telling His story. I gained a better process to study His work and see Him and share Him in all the disciplines. The more I study, the bigger He gets and the better I rest in His work.
Abby Borders

The Principal Approach brings our Biblical Christian foundations back home to us. It is a course for every educator, parent, and pupil that calls Jesus their Lord.
Kimberly Burton

The propeller of this Plane

Being a mission-based school that is tuition free, we as the adults, the parents, the school administration, will always be fundraising. It may sound overwhelming at first, but with a good team, a strategy, and God equipping us for this, we know we will succeed!!

The 4-block chart below helps illustrate the plan for the fundraising team. If you feel called or have experience in this area and would like to help, please reach out to contact@firstprinciplesacademy.co and we will get you in contact with the lead in that area.

Church Sponsorships

- Solicit area churches to donate a portion of their mission fund to the FPA/S&L Mission.
- Continue to build S&L congregation donations.
- Tithe to the endowment

Business Sponsorship

- Restorers @ \$25K
- Rebuilders @ \$10K
- Repairers @ \$5K
- Reclaimers @ \$1K
- Tithe to the endowment

Legacy Fundraising Events

- Form groups of interested donors who share the mission to their networks, growing the number of events exponentially.
- Conduct annual event(s)
- Tithe to the endowment

The Endowment

- Build a network of individual donors capable of underwriting the endowment with annual donations, charitable gift annuity, directed or non-directed bequests.

HOW TO GIVE

<https://saltandlightbaptist.churchcenter.com/giving/to/s-l-school>

or

<https://www.givesendgo.com/firstprinciplesacademy>

God moves fast sometimes

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A story of His love and timing.
Written by Michelle Elliott

Years ago, my son pondered the idea of knowing the contents of a gift before unwrapping it, questioning the thrill of surprises. For me, the element of surprise often brings more joy than the gift itself.

As my faith has grown, I tend to notice God's providence shaping our lives profoundly. He orchestrates connections, places, and people strategically in our paths. Sometimes, relationships stem from challenging situations, like removing your child from public school and searching for a new school or deciding to homeschool. In hindsight, what seemed like adversity unfolds into beautiful moments.

God's impeccable timing continues to astound me. After witnessing His work over the years, being consistently amazed is unexpected yet gratifying. I am thankful for the ongoing sense of wonder and the joy of surprises.

This last week, on a Monday, I received a text that a school not too far away was remodeling some of their classrooms. They would have furniture to donate to First Principles if we were interested. Yes, I said DONATE!!! This is where "God moves fast" comes into play. The earliest our team would be able to get the furniture and the latest the school needed us to get the furniture was Saturday, just 5 days later.

Relationships God formed over the years, years before the school was thought of, cultivated this wonderful gift. I now take a moment to ponder His providence as I am writing, and my thoughts lead me to a few things: Mission, Reading, School, Prayer, and Brotherhood. These 5 things resonate to me most and brought this gift.

A huge THANK YOU to all the folks who showed up with trucks, trailers, vans, cars, and manpower to load and unload the furniture. And of course, THANK YOU to the folks at the school who facilitated. You are a treasure!

WHAT TO EXPECT THIS SUMMER FROM FPA

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July

- Student placement testing
- Family Interviews
- School policy documents review
- Invitations for enrollment sent to families (late July)

August

- Invitations for enrollment continue to be sent to families (early August)
- Teacher classroom setup
- School Opening Celebration
 - Meet the teacher
 - See the classroom



September

School Starts for the 2024-
2025 school year



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN VBS?

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HOST AT SALT & LIGHT &
RAN BY THE AMAZING
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TEAM

Every day, our kids are bombarded with questions: Did God really create everything? Why do bad things happen? Was Noah's ark real? Why do I need to be saved? Can I trust the Bible?

At this VBS, your kids will explore the biblical answers to these questions as they set off on an epic adventure from Genesis to Revelation. Amid sloths, butterflies, river dolphins, and dart frogs, your children will sail along on a fun jungle cruise, stopping at seven ports of call. These ports are the 7 C's of History: Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, and Consummation. Kids will discover how these events shape our world, and they will learn to reconnect the Bible to their everyday life.

[Link to Register:](https://saltandlightbaptist.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2307592)

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