

C.A.R.R.S ACADEMY

Parent & Student Handbook

2026–2027 School Year

Creating Academically Resilient and Reflective Students

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Mission Statement

C.A.R.R.S Academy is dedicated to equipping students with essential academic tools that foster lifelong skills. Our focus on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) empowers students to become college and career-ready individuals. We strive to create a conducive learning environment where students can explore their interests, enhance their knowledge, and develop the competencies necessary for future success.

Vision Statement

Our vision is to cultivate a community of motivated learners who embrace curiosity and creativity. We envision a world where every student is equipped not just academically, but also socially and emotionally, allowing them to navigate and thrive in an ever-evolving landscape. By fostering collaboration and innovation, we aim to inspire the next generation of leaders who will contribute positively to society.

Statement of Faith

At Carrs Academy, we believe that Jesus Christ is the foundation from which we learn, teach, and build cultural belonging. Our faith shapes every aspect of our school culture, guiding how we educate, discipline, and nurture each child.

Grades Served

Carrs Academy now serves students from Pre-K4 through 12th Grade.

Students in 1st through 8th grade are enrolled in the Acellus Accredited program for all core academic instruction.

High School students (9th–12th grade) also utilize Acellus Academy toward completion of an accredited high school diploma.

Drop-Off & Pick-Up Procedures

Morning Drop-Off begins at 7:30 AM. Students must be in class by 8:00 AM.

After 8:15 AM, do not ring the bell. Parents must text staff for entry. Students will be marked tardy.

Car line ends at 8:00 AM. After 8:00 AM, parents must park and sign in at the front office. No exceptions.

Afternoon Pick-Up begins at 2:00 PM and ends at 2:10 PM. After 2:10 PM, students are placed in After Care and charged \$10 per 30 minutes via FACTS.

Little Scholars Program (PreK4–K)

The Early Childhood program fosters holistic development including emotional, social, cognitive, and physical growth.

Students develop early literacy, numeracy, social skills, creative expression, and cultural awareness in a safe learning environment.

Ongoing assessments monitor growth and guide individualized instruction.

Carrs Academy Prep (1st–2nd Grade)

Core subjects delivered through Acellus Academy.

Hands-on manipulatives strengthen math and science mastery.

Primary Phonics for reading intervention.

Financial Literacy provided quarterly by Pelican Credit Union.

Music, Art, STEM, and Introduction to Spanish included.

Carrs Academy Collegiate (3rd–8th Grade)

Fully Accredited Acellus Academy program (WASC Accredited).

Students may take up to six courses at a time and work at their own pace.

Includes Vectored Instruction, Prism Diagnostics, Writing Tutor, and Acellus Classmates.

Extracurricular offerings include Beta Club, Financial Literacy, Public Speaking, Book Club, Music/Choir, Art, and STEM.

Academic Policies

Grading Scale (10-Point System):

A: 90–100 | B: 80–89 | C: 70–79 | D: 60–69 | F: 0–59

Uniform Policy

Uniforms required Monday–Thursday. Free Dress Fridays permitted if appropriate.

PK4–2nd: Logo polo, black/gray pants or Carrs plaid, closed-toe shoes.

3rd–8th Boys: White button up, black/gray pants, plaid tie on business days.

3rd–8th Girls: Red/black polos, plaid skirts (shorts underneath), black pants.

Students out of uniform will be sent home to change.

Hygiene Expectations

Students must arrive clean, well-groomed, with neat hair and trimmed nails.

Students with contagious conditions will be sent home and require medical clearance.

Sick Policy

Keep students home if fever 100.4°F+, vomiting, diarrhea, or contagious illness.

Parents must notify the office by 8:00 AM for absences.

Students must be fever-free 24 hours without medication before returning.

Makeup work allowed for excused absences only.

Discipline Policy

Core Values: Respect, Responsibility, Integrity.

Behavior expectations include following directions, respectful language, and active participation.

ClassDojo rewards positive behavior.

Consequences include verbal warning, reflection, classroom consequence, parent contact, and administrative referral.

Tuition & Fees

Monthly tuition due on the 1st of each month.

Semi-annual payments due June 1 and December 1.

Full tuition due by June 1.

Late fee: \$25 per day.

Annual Activity Fee: \$250 per student.

Technology Fee: \$80 single child / \$100 per family.

Club fees vary depending on the club.

After Care Program

After Care available Monday–Thursday from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

Weekly Rate: \$120 per child.

Drop-In Care: Minimum 2 days per week at \$40 per day.

Late pick-up fees apply.

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