



Veritas Florida

*4920 Walnut Ridge Rd.
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Dear Parent:

I am grateful for your interest in Veritas Florida, a part of the Veritas Classical Schools' family. We are embarking upon our 23rd year of partnering with homeschooling families to complement their home study program.

We seek to partner with homeschool families to provide a Classical, Christian educational experience that prepares children's hearts and minds for the next step in their faith and service to God. Our mission is to communicate the truth, train the mind, and cultivate the heart. Through our partnership with parents, we help mold students into thinkers who can analyze and critique ideas from a distinctive biblical perspective.

I invite you to read the enclosed information and visit us online at www.veritasflorida.com. On our website, you may conveniently complete your child's application.

Questions? Contact me at 770.231.1904 (cell) or email me at robin@veritasflorida.com.

In His Service,

Robin Hair McEuen,
Administrator
Veritas Florida



General Information

Curricula

Veritas Florida grades K-4 emphasizes student exposure to and comprehension of core knowledge in literature, writing, grammar, vocabulary, history, geography, and fine arts. The Veritas Florida Grammar School curriculum incorporates methods developed by Charlotte Mason, such as narration, memorization, picture study, and sketching. Weekly assignment sheets guide students and parents in preparation for the next week's class.

Veritas Florida grades 5-12 are taught from a distinctively biblical worldview throughout the subjects. The curriculum integrates Bible, history (world and American), literature (classical, American, British), composition, grammar, study skills, logic/critical thinking. Students receive weekly assignment sheets delineating the work required in each subject area.

Locations

Veritas Florida partners with churches to host its program.

Lutz: Our Lutz campus partner is Northside Bible Church, 405 Hayes Rd., Lutz FL 33549.

Brandon: Our Brandon campus partner is Southside Baptist Church, 415 W. Lumsden Rd., Brandon, FL 33511.

Schedule

Humanities classes meet one day per week from 9:00 – 2:00 p.m. and on another weekday for math, science and other electives. Electives are held only if there are enough students by grade to comprise a class.

Accreditation

Veritas Florida operates as curriculum support for homeschooling families. Therefore, homeschool families are responsible for meeting state requirements and completing the yearly homeschool evaluation process for their child to meet state requirements.

Common Questions

Class size & grades: Typically, classes range from 6 to 15 students. Based on enrollment numbers, we may combine 1st/2nd, 3rd/4th, 5th/6th, 7th/8th, and 9-12th grades.

Assignment Sheets - Students will receive an assignment sheet each week. Parents are responsible for reviewing their child's work and signing the sheet to indicate completion.

Calendar - Classes typically begin mid- to late-August and end the third week of May. Classes will not be held the weeks of Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year, Winter Break, and Spring Break. We do not have a fall break.

Teachers: These individuals are qualified educators who have a strong biblical worldview. We hire individuals who are growing in their walk with Christ and who are passionate about teaching young people. A background check is part of the interview process.

Classroom Environment – The teacher will spend the day introducing the curriculum, reviewing assignments, explaining upcoming projects and leading discussions with the students about the material. Students will have periodic tests and/or quizzes on the curriculum.

Transportation - Veritas Florida does not offer bus transportation. All families are expected to transport their own children to the appropriate campus. Parents are welcome to make their own arrangements to carpool with other participating families.

Car Pool Drop-off/Pick-up - Students should be dropped off no more than 15 minutes before school begins and should be picked up promptly at the end of the school day.

Dress Code – Dress code will consist of any solid color or striped classic polo shirt or oxford shirts (long or short sleeve) with modest khaki, navy, black, white, gray, or brown solid pants or capris, knee-length shorts, or skirts or jumpers. Shoe color and style is left to the parents' discretion.

Lunch - All students should bring a healthy snack to class, along with a water bottle. Students should bring a sack lunch and drink. Depending on the church partner, students will either eat lunch in the classroom or social hall.

Grades & Report Cards – Veritas Florida provides grades for homework, quizzes, and tests. We also provide two report cards each school year. Parents may submit these items to meet their homeschooling requirements.

Standardized Testing – Veritas Florida will offer standardized testing in the spring.

Website – www.veritasflorida.com

Please refer to this site for more detailed information and an application.

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Philosophy & Mission

The Goal of Veritas Florida

The goal of Veritas Florida Classical Schools is to offer homeschooling families a unique, integrative complement to their home study programs with an emphasis on a classical Christian model of education. Because of this integrative approach, our humanities program is taken as a unit. **We do not offer the option of choosing specific courses to take in the humanities.**

Veritas Florida Classical Schools functions in the role of tutor, assisting parents in their educational roles. Each student attends Veritas Florida's humanities class one day per week for 33 weeks.

Mission Statement

Veritas Florida Classical Schools assist homeschooling parents by partnering with them to communicate the truth, train the mind, and cultivate the heart in a Christ-honoring atmosphere.

Classical Christian Approach

It is not uncommon for homeschooling families to feel the need for assistance in the *planning* and *structure* of curricula, in providing *motivation* for their students, in the *teaching* of various special subjects, and in the objective *evaluation* of their students' work. Homeschooled students may benefit from *robust peer interaction* in an academic atmosphere, where challenging discussion, debate and idea-analysis are encouraged.

Veritas Florida provides homeschooled students with: **Integrated core curriculum** in history, literature, composition, grammar, critical thinking, and vocabulary/language; **Regular assignments** to outline the student's weekly work at home; **Accountability** for completed assignments; Teaching of **advanced subjects** with **enrichment activities** not frequently included in homeschool studies; **Evaluation** of the student's progress by experienced educators; Weekly **classroom peer interaction** in an academic environment.

Purpose

The purpose of Veritas Florida is to help mold students into thinkers, young men and women who do not simply "regurgitate" the information they have been fed but rather who analyze, critique, and affect the world by applying biblical wisdom to their lives, families, and communities. Veritas Florida Schools offer homeschooling families a unique complement to their home study programs by providing one day per week of classroom instruction, with an emphasis on classical as well as traditional subjects taught from a distinctly Christian perspective.

It is our goal that Veritas Florida students learn to THINK, biblically and logically, not just to blindly memorize seemingly unrelated and irrelevant facts required to do "well" on tests. The Veritas Florida student is taught to be a lifelong learner by consistently evaluating and critiquing relevant issues, and to always seek to skillfully communicate his thoughts. All students at Veritas Florida are taught factual and philosophical truth, are taught to evaluate the messages they are receiving from the world around them, and are taught to defend their beliefs in a persuasive manner.

Philosophical Perspective

Veritas Florida recognizes that God has ordained parents as the agents responsible for the academic and spiritual nurturing of their children. At Veritas Florida, we assist parents by providing a Classical Christian curriculum, the structure of a weekly classroom setting, the accountability of a Christian teacher who grades assigned work. We empower parents to take an active role in their child's education through weekly, detailed Assignment Sheets. Our teachers present a Christian world-view throughout each of the subjects thereby teaching students to love God with all their hearts, minds, souls, and strength.

***Study to show yourself
approved unto God.
II Timothy 2:15***

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Admissions & Fees

Candidates for Enrollment

The student who will prosper in Veritas Florida Classical Schools is one who is being reared in a family that values academic, spiritual, and moral education. He or she is from a family that understands the home to be the primary educational entity in the child's life but which also sees the value of a positive teacher/mentor and peer group interaction in a small-group setting. The student who has a strong work ethic and who has learned to appreciate the rewards of work well done will find that while the Veritas Florida approach may be rigorous, it is not burdensome. The family seeks an education that will prepare the child to grow in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man.

Process

Admission Requirements:

- Complete Online Application
Include: Academic Information and Parent Testimony
 - Pay Registration Fee (PayPal online)
 - An administrator will review your application and call with questions.
 - Notices of Acceptance will sent via email by Aug. 10th.
- Questions? Call the school Administrator at 770-231-1904.

Applications

Applications are accepted throughout the current school year and are processed on an "as available" basis. Applications must be accompanied by the appropriate registration fee to be processed. Parents may be access our application online at veritasflorida.com anytime.

Withdrawal Policy

Veritas Florida's budget is based upon annual enrollment. We hire experienced tutors for the entire school year Therefore, your faithful financial commitment is critical to a successful year. **Once a student begins the fall semester, parents are responsible for the financial obligation for the entire 10-month school year.**

Fees & Tuition

A non-refundable \$200 registration fee must be received by Veritas Florida on or before May 31st.

Sibling discount: Registration fee is \$150 per sibling on or before May 31st. (Example: 3 children in same family: \$200-1st child + \$150 2nd child + \$150 3rd child = \$500 registration fee if received on or before May 31st).

LATE REGISTRATION FEE: If received ON or AFTER June 1st, registration fees increase \$50 per child. \$250 1st child and \$200 per additional child from same family.

Humanities Tuition: Tuition is \$195/month for 10 months and is due the first week of each month of the school year (August. - May). A \$100 discount per student will be given for families paying tuition in full by August 1st in addition to multi-child discounts if applicable.

*****For humanities tuition only:** Veritas Florida offers a \$15 discount per month for families with multiple students.
Pre-Kindergarten – 12th grades tuition:

- 1st child - \$195/month/10 months
- 2nd child - \$180/month/10 months
- 3rd & each additional child - \$165/month

Veritas Florida Math Tuition: Tuition is paid over 10 months. \$75 Math registration fee applies **if student is not a humanities student and participates in math only. Classes are held by individual grade and are NOT combined.**

- All Grades \$70 monthly – Math
- \$85 monthly – Math only
- One time supply fee - \$50**

Veritas Florida Science tuition: Tuition is paid over 10 months. \$75 Science registration applies **if student is not a humanities student and participates in science only.**

- All Grades: \$70 monthly – Science w/Humanities
- \$85 monthly – Science Only
- One time supply fee - \$50**

Other Electives: Veritas Florida will offer foreign language and arts electives. Information will be forthcoming.

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