# SCHOOL INFORMATION

#### **Administration:**

Superintendent: Dr. Cy J. Smith Secondary Administrator: Mr. Terry Campbell Elementary Administrator: Mrs. Linda Hoeflich Independent Studies Principal: Mrs. Charlene Eder Athletic Administrator: Mr. Doug Taylor

### School Hours & Information:

Monday - Friday 8 am - 3 pm 500 Logan Road Mansfield, OH 44907 Phone: 419-756-5651 Fax: 419-756-7470 Website: www.mcsflames.org

# Office Extensions:

Central Office - Ext. 200 Secondary Office - Ext. 209 Elementary Office - Ext. 224 Independent Stud. Office - Ext. 219 Athletic Office - Ext. 221

Facebook: www.facebook.com/MansfieldChristian



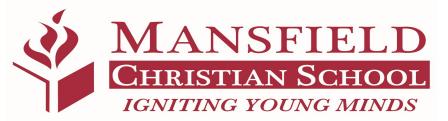




# " Christ in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." Colossians 2:3

# HISTORY

Mansfield Christian School is a non-denominational, evangelical school with an enrollment of over 500 students representing over 70 churches in the Richland County and surrounding counties. The school was established in 1961 and has sought to integrate Biblical principles and values into our academically sound curriculum. Our faculty is certified by the State of Ohio and by ACSI. Our school has students in preschool, elementary, middle school, high school, and Independent Studies (home school) programs. We draw students not only from our immediate city, but also from a thirty-mile radius into the surrounding communities. We have also had international students participate in our educational program. We are very thankful to be able to serve such a wide geographic constituency.



# TOP TEN REASONS PARENTS ENROLL THEIR CHILDREN AT MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

- 10. Godly example of teachers and staff for my children
- 9. Teachers and staff pray for my children
- 8. Little negative peer pressure
- 7. Safe environment
- 6. Small class size
- 5. High standard of academics
- 4. Children are interacting with other children from likeminded families
- 3. Christian teachers who really care about children
- 2. Teachers who support Biblical values taught at our home and church
- 1. Biblically based education







# WHAT PARENTS HAVE TO SAY

"I am so thankful that more and more we can see the benefits of our decision to send the boys to MCS. It is so important to us that not only their minds are challenged but that they are encouraged to grow their hearts."

"We love the wonderful education our child is receiving academically and spiritually."

"Our son is new to MCS but we are beyond thankful to everyone! He has been welcomed and appreciated more than we could have ever imagined!! We are honored to have our son attend MCS!! Thank you and may God abundantly bless MCS!" "The Christ-centered education is invaluable and the teachers love my children as if they were their own. I have complete confidence in the school when I drop my children off each day..."

"I like that my son is not just another child. His teachers care how he is doing academically, socially, and spiritually,."

"We feel that our child, as well as ourselves, are important to the staff and parents of the other students."

"We feel that the environment at MCS closely resembles that of our home and, therefore, our child feels at home, safe, secure, and loved."

# **OHIO EDCHOICE SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM**

Created in 2005, the EdChoice Scholarship Program provides scholarships to students who attend the state's lowest-rated schools to be used toward tuition at the participating private school of their choice. The scholarship is renewable through high school graduation.

Who is eligible? The Ohio Department of Education releases a list each year of the state's lowest rated public schools, which are know as designated schools. Designated schools are listed on the Ohio Department of Education website. In the Mansfield area, Mansfield Middle School and the Mansfield Alternative School qualify.

Your child is eligible to apply for an EdChoice Scholarship if one of the bullet points below is true:

- Your child attends one of the schools on the list (currently the Middle School located at Mansfield Senior High School)
- Your child is assigned to attend one of the schools on the list for the upcoming school year (your child is a current 6th grade Mansfield City School student who will be entering the 7th grade for the 2014-2015 school year)
- Your child attends a charter school but is assigned to attend a school on the list
- Your child is homeschooled, attends a charter on-line school, and would be assigned to attend a school on the list

**EdChoice Income Based Scholarship**—Your child is eligible if they are an incoming kindergarten or first grade student whose family's income is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. This scholarship is based only on income and is available in any part of the state.

**How much is the scholarship worth?** EdChoice Scholarships are worth \$4,250 for students in grades K-8 and \$5,000 for high school students. Private schools are required to take the scholarship as full tuition for families under 200% of federal poverty guidelines.

#### How do we get the scholarship?

*Contact*—Call Mansfield Christian School to get an application or download it at mcsflames.org (Elementary Office 419-756-5651 ext. 224 & Secondary Office 419-756-5651 ext. 209)

*Consult*—Mansfield Christian School will contact you for an interview when all your paperwork is turned in.

**Confirm**—You will receive a letter informing you of acceptance or rejection to Mansfield Christian School. Once accepted, you can submit your scholarship application to Mansfield Christian School and your income verification paperwork to the Ohio Department of Education.

#### EdChoice Application Periods: Spring (February 1 through April 18, 2014) or Summer (July 1-31, 2014).

### SCRIP

#### What is Scrip?

Scrip is gift cards and certificates. When you purchase these gift cards, they can be used just like cash. You use scrip to purchase everyday expenses like food, clothing, gasoline and other essentials. With every purchase you earn a rebate or credit that can be applied to school related expenses. Expenses such as tuition, registration, class due, athletic or music fees can all be paid for using your scrip rebate.

#### How does the Scrip Program work?

MCS acts on behalf of schools, churches and other non-profit organizations to purchase gift cards from grocery, dept. stores, restaurants, gas stations and other retailers at a discount. MCS sells the gift cards at full face value. The discount from one to fifty percent is what families earn as a rebate. That rebate is then split with 70% going to the families that participate and 30% to operate the program.

#### Who are the vendors?

MCS buys from over 400 local and national retailers. Places like Kohl's, Meijer, Speedway, Bob Evans, Wendy's, Lowes and many more. A complete vendor list is available in the Scrip Office, each MCS office and online at <u>www.mcsflames.org</u> and shopwithscrip.com (enrollment code LA534F52722).

#### Scrip is "Shopping Cart Fundraising"

Families make regular every day purchases using gift cards. Groceries, clothing, toys, gifts, even gasoline can be purchased with gift cards.



<u>To Purchase Scrip :</u> Call: 419-756-5651 ext. 215 Fax: 419-756-3049 Email: scrip@mcsflames.org Online www.shopwithscrip.com <u>Visit the Scrip Office at:</u> Mansfield Christian School Door #7, Back of the Building 500 Logan Road Mansfield Ohio 44907

# VISION STATEMENT

"Mansfield Christian School is committed to training future generations to live a life consistent with a Biblical worldview. Our desire is to provide students with a caring environment that emphasizes excellence with the godly wisdom necessary to impact their culture for the glory of Jesus Christ."

# MISSION STATEMENT

### "Assisting the Christian home and church by teaching solid academics rooted in a Biblical worldview"

Mansfield Christian School exists as an extension of the Christian home and church to fulfill God's commands to teach His Words "diligently unto our children" (Deuteronomy 6:5-7). Our foundation rests upon acknowledging Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and the Bible as the Word of God. We strive to assist each student to grow in excellence spiritually, academically, socially, and physically through the Godly ministry and examples of teachers, administrators, board members, and staff.

# **CORE VALUES**

- Partnership with families We team with responsible and appropriately engaged Christian families and their churches in educating their children to become like Christ and preparing them to fulfill God's purpose for their lives. (Deut. 6:7)
- 2. <u>Biblical Worldview</u> Scripture is the revealed Word of God and is taught as Truth, which is then integrated into learning experiences throughout the school. (2 Tim. 3:16-17)
- Caring Christian Educators The governing body, administration, faculty and staff are committed followers of Christ. The teachers are the living curriculum in the classroom and model a Christian life consistently and provide exceptional care for every child. (Phil. 3:16-17)
- Spiritual Formation We equip and inspire each student to live and serve as a spiritually mature follower of Christ. We prioritize the process by which Christian students become more fully united to Christ, especially with regard to maturity of life and calling. (Rom. 12:1-2)
- 5. <u>Excellence</u> Continuous improvement and the pursuit of excellence underlies all that we do academically, creatively, and athletically. It is our goal to help each student, faculty, and staff member achieve his or her very best. (Phil. 1:9-10)

# PRE-K EARLY EDUCATION

Our Early Childhood program offers a safe and fun environment to begin a lifetime of learning for 3 to 5 year olds. We provide experiences that meet the spiritual, academic, physical, emotional, and social needs of the child, all rooted in a Biblical foundation. Learning is made fun through hands-on activities in the areas of math, science, social studies, and language arts all taught through the integration of God's Word and Biblical principles.

The Pre-Kindergarten programs participate in pre-academic lessons through many learning centers, whole group demonstrations, and field trips while developing courtesy, kindness, self-discipline, and purpose enabling the learner to best serve and glorify the Lord. Teacher/student ratio is 1 to 10 for each program.

Activities include Family Science Night, Uno Tournament, field trips, service projects, and much more!

### Pre-Kindergarten Programs:

### 2 Day (3 Year old):

- Student must be 3 years old on or before September 30.
- Student must be completely toilet-trained.
- Tuesday and Thursday: 8:30am 11am

#### 3 Day (4 - 5 year old):

- Student must be 4 years old on or before September 30.
- Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8am 11am or Noon 3pm

#### 5 Day (4 - 5 year old):

- Student must be 4 years old on or before September 30.
- Monday through Friday: 8am 11am or Noon 3pm

"Train a child in the way that he should go and he won't depart from it."











Real Life Radio, WVMC FM, is a very unique radio ministry. WVMC FM is one of only a handful of radio stations in the nation owned by a Christian school. It gives Mansfield Christian School a valuable marketing source, sharing the MCS story to listeners throughout North Central Ohio. WVMC FM plays up-tempo, God-honoring music that encourages listeners in their walk with God.

WVMC FM has been on the air since 1979, sharing the hope of the Gospel of Jesus at 90.7 in Mansfield, 91.1 in Ashland, and 102.7 in Wooster. In February of 2013, WVMC FM completed the largest power increase in its history. The radio station is funded completely by love gifts from families, businesses, and churches.

At WVMC, MCS students learn the basics of radio from instructors with real-world radio experience. Students may begin taking classes their sophomore year. Classes offered include Intro to Radio, Intro to Radio Production, and Management Intern. Students who complete all three years of the radio program graduate with experience similar to that of a college freshman.

Students who have graduated from the MCS radio program have gone on to WMAN, WMFD, WCVO and Way FM, in addition to radio stations in Virginia, California, Indiana and Georgia.

General Manager Scott Saunders has been the General Manager since 2010. He has worked at mainstream and Christian radio stations in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Michigan and Ohio. He caught the "radio bug" while on his high school speech team. You can reach Scott at 419-756-5651, ext. 225, or at wvmcfm.com.







# **TUITION RATES - 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR**

Early Education	
Pre-K 2 Day:	\$ 1,020
Pre-K 3 Day:	\$ 1,814
Pre-K 5 Day:	\$ 2,464
Kindergarten half-day:	\$ 2,689

# Independent Studies

Tuition for one child: \$1,715 (For each additional child: \$150)

# **Elementary**

Kindergarten Full Day	′ - 4th
Grade:	\$ 5,262
5th & 6th Grades:	\$ 5,401

Registration Fees:	
(Non-Refundable Tuition Down F	Payment)
Pre-K	\$100
K-12th Grades On Campus	\$350
Independent Studies K-6th	\$300
Independent Studies 7-12th	\$325

### **Secondary**

7th & 8th Grade:

9th - 12th Grade:

 <u>NOTE</u>: K-12 On Campus & IS registration fees paid by April are discounted \$100.
\$ 6,073
\$ 6,239

# FIVE REASONS FOR CAMPUS WEAR

- Improve relations and promote peace between parents and children, staff and students, as well as parents and staff.
- Promote a more serious atmosphere for learning as we increase our focus on spiritual and academic objectives.
- Promote campus safety and security through quick identification of students and visitors.
- Promote a sense of school spirit, acceptance, and belonging at MCS for a student body that is separated geographically.
- Promote the real individuality of the students as seen in their God-given gifts and abilities, not in their appearance.

#### Handbook:

Each year K-12 receives a student/academic handbook that outlines the Dress Code Guidelines.

#### Purchasing Campus Wear:

All Campus Wear must be purchased through School Closet, our exclusive provider of Campus Wear. Gently used campus wear may be purchased

through our Campus Closet located at Mansfield Christian School. For details or hours please call Extension #205.

### **School Closet**

2497 East Main Street, Columbus, OH 43209 Phone: 614.237.0088 Fax 614.237.6969 www.schoolcloset.com.



# **ELEMENTARY–GRADES K-6**



Mansfield Christian Elementary has provided academic and spiritual excellence in teaching for more than fifty years. Its strength begins with our fabulous, dedicated teachers. We use curriculum integrated with the Bible that stresses academic excellence and also allows us to work with our

students on character development. We feel strongly that character qualities such as honesty, loyalty, responsibility, self-control, forgiveness, love, and generosity become the hallmark of molding young lives into mature adults, leaders in the community, and individuals who care for others. At MCS we have the privilege of telling children, daily, in a positive context, "The chief end of man is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever." Christ is central to all information taught.

#### Grades K-6:

- Small group intervention FLAME (Further Learning and Me) Time -Remediation, enrichment.
- Over 3,700 Guided Reading Books for small group reading instruction
- Loving, caring teachers and staff that teach from a Biblical worldview, training students to love the Lord with all their heart, soul, mind and strength.
- Our elementary program has been a solid cornerstone of academic and spiritual excellence for over fifty years
- Dedicated Teachers
- Curriculum integrated with the Bible that stresses a strong academic approach

#### **Accelerated Reader Program:**

 Seeks to increase students' vocabulary and comprehension, develop character and a love for reading



 Uses computer testing after they have completed a book selected from over 3.000 titles

#### Specialized Teachers Provide Activities Instruction In:

- Music (PreK 6)
- ♦ Art ( PreK 6)
- Physical Education (PreK 6)
- Library Skills (K 6)
- ◆ Speech Therapy (K 6)
- Accelerated Reader Program (1 6) ♦
- Creative Writing Contests (4 6)
- Piano Lessons (K 6)
- Weekly Chapel (PreK 6)

- Field Trips (PreK 6)
- Speech Meet (2 6)
- Math Olympics (3 6)
- Grandparents' Day (K 4)
- Missions Week (K 4)
- Roller Skating Month (1 6)
- Friendly House Basketball (3 6)
- Swimming at the YMCA (Grade 3)

Grouping of students for individual instruction tailored to special needs, including enrichment.

## **SECONDARY–GRADES 7-12**

#### **School Facts:**

- Private Christian Non-Denominational
- Accreditations –ODE & ACSI
- During the 2013-2014 school year, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class tested above the national average in all four subject areas of the EXPLORE assessment (English, Reading, Math, and Science).



- During the 2013-2014 school year, the 9<sup>th</sup> grade class tested at or above the national average in all four subject areas of the PLAN assessment (English, Reading, Math, and Science).
- 90% of Graduating Seniors Attend College

(Given to Air to "Graders in the Nation)						
SCHOOL	READING	MATH	WRITING	SCIENCE	SOCIAL STUDIES	PASSED ALL FIVE SECTIONS ON FIRST ATTEMPT
Mansfield Christian	97%	95%	100%	92%	97%	84%
Crestview Local	94%	92%	91%	90%	92%	87%
Ontario Local	91%	92%	96%	89%	91%	86%
Lexington Local	94%	94%	94%	86%	93%	82%
St. Peter's Catholic School	93%	84%	98%	84%	91%	80%
Lucas Local	95%	90%	92%	82%	95%	80%
Shelby City	89%	90%	91%	86%	78%	73%
Madison Local	86%	87%	89%	80%	81%	71%
Clear Fork Valley Local	93%	85%	81%	76%	81%	69%
Plymouth-Shiloh Local	88%	94%	75%	82%	79%	58%
Mansfield City	77%	68%	75%	64%	67%	49%
Average Public Schools of Ohio	88%	84%	85%	77%	81%	70%
Average Private Schools of Ohio	96%	93%	96%	91%	93%	85%

## The sophomores again had the highest scores in the area on the subjects of the Ohio Graduation Tests. Great work students and teachers!

# **INDEPENDENT STUDIES-GRADES K-12 (continued)**

The coordinator's knowledge of the course of study for each grade level is very helpful.

- Meetings are held regularly for the Independent Studies parents. Topics covered include learning challenges/styles, curriculum choices, preparing for testing, discipline, organization in the home, setting up a home education program for elementary through high school, and more.
- A well-stocked resource room with biblically based curriculum for Independent Studies students and parents save considerable money. Supplemental curriculum such as teaching CDs, children's CDs and DVDs, art books, science kits, games, devotionals, and more are available to our families.



" I don't know when we have felt as good about anything for our kids, MCS is well worth the drive and the time.

- Parent, Mt. Vernon

The Independent Studies staff is here to come alongside families and help direct their children to "seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." (Matthew 6:33) - Charlene Eder, IS Principal



# WEEKLY AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES FOR HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS

We offer weekly after school classes for all 7-12 grade home school students. Experienced teachers offer classroom instruction, hold labs, give tests, and require assignments to be completed during the week. These teachers are

#### 2013 OGT Results (Given To All 10<sup>th</sup> Graders in the Nation)

# **INDEPENDENT STUDIES–GRADES K-12**

The Mansfield Christian School Division of Independent Studies has been in existence since 1981, assisting families in and around the Mansfield area with education of their children. It has been, and still is, the commitment of Mansfield Christian School to serve the Christian home. We are known statewide as one of the best programs in Ohio, fully recognized and approved by the Ohio State Board of Education.

All Independent Studies students enrolled in Mansfield Christian School are considered students of Mansfield Christian School with the benefits of being involved in activities at the school. Many of our students participate in band and choir beginning in the fifth grade; others are also involved in the sports programs. Junior high and high school Independent Studies students may take up to three classes on campus at MCS while completing the rest of their courses at home. This offers the educational support families desire in certain subjects and provides a great transition for those students who plan to enroll in Mansfield Christian School full time.

Seventh through twelfth grade students are required to be enrolled in at least one academic class. This includes classes offered after school or one daily class at MCS. IS students grades 10-12 can participate in post-secondary option college courses, if qualifications are met.

Kindergarten through sixth grade students are required to attend two full day classes twice a month at Mansfield Christian School. Currently, these days include art, music, physical education, science, and math classes, as well as chapel. Students benefit from these classes while also collaborating with other Independent Studies Students. A variety of monthly field trips are available for IS families, providing opportunities for students to interact outside the home and school setting.

A professionally trained staff member is responsible for working with the Independent Studies students and their parents. Once every month a coordinator with teaching experience and current licensure meets with each family to offer encouragement, in addition to ensuring that each child is working up to their potential in every area.



# SECONDARY-GRADES 7-12 (continued)

### Average ACT Scores Over the Last 5 Years:

ENGLISH	MATHEMAT- ICS	<u>READING</u>	<u>SCIENCE</u> REASONING	<u>COMPOSITE</u>
Core/ncore	Core/ncore	Core/ncore	Core/ncore	Core/ncore
23.5/20.6	21.5/21.0	23.9/21.4	21.7/20.8	22.8/21.1

The average score on the ACT for the Class of 2013 is 22.4 (national average is 21.1). Four students in the Class of 2013 have earned a 30 or better on the ACT.

### Core Classes:

- Math
- English
- ♦ Science
- Social Studies
- ♦ Bible

### **Elective Courses:**

- Fine Arts
- Physical Education
- Online options (Rosetta Stone, Ignitia Online)
- Six post-secondary classes offered on campus in Science, English, and Social Studies.
- One AP Class in Mathematics

### College Prepartory Classes:

- An average of 90% of each graduating class goes to college to further their education.
- Students have received merit scholarships to various colleges.
- 42% of the class of 2014 have taken courses for college credit during high school.
- 6 college courses are offered at MCS for college credit in our postsecondary offerings. These are offered by qualified MCS staff or by adjunct professors who come to campus.
- MCS students have graduated with an average of 18 semester college hours to transfer to the school of his/her choice over the last 5 years.

# SECONDARY-GRADES 7-12 (continued)

#### National Honor Society:

- 39% of this year's class have become members of the National Honor Society.
- NHS requires leadership, community service, an outstanding character and a GPA of 3.5.
- Every other year NHS members travel on a five day educational and leadership development experience to historical sites.

### Graduating Class of 2013

- ♦ Size: 46
- Attending 4-Year Colleges: 25
- 18 graduates are National Honor Society members
- 41% Graduated Cum Laude or higher
- 13 Graduated with Ohio Honors Diplomas
- The Class of 2013 earned over \$350,000 in scholarship monies



### Grade Distribution Class of 2013

- 46% graduated with a 3.5 GPA or better
- 72% graduated with a 3.0 GPA or better

MCS Student Says... "Being able to come here has meant the world to me and my life will be forever changed. I have fallen in love with this school and everything about it." - Lydia, Student





# ATHLETICS

Home of the *FLAMES* 

### Fall Sports

Boys Soccer – JV & Varsity Girls Soccer – Varsity Volleyball – Jr. High, JV, Varsity Golf – Varsity Cross Country - Jr. High, JV, Varsity

#### Winter Spots

Boys Basketball - Jr. High, JV, Varsity Girls Basketball - Jr. High, JV, Varsity Swimming - Varsity Cheerleading - JV & Varsity

### Spring Sports

Baseball - Varsity Softball - Varsity Track - Jr. High & Varsity

#### For More Information Contact:

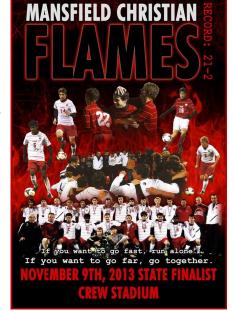
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Mansfield Christian School has an alumni base of almost 1,850 graduates. Since the first class of graduates in 1972, alumni from MCS have continued to serve the Lord around the world in a multitude of endeavors. The school now enjoys record numbers of alumni that are returning to send their own children to MCS.

MCS is making a determined effort to foster alumni relations through the young MCS Alumni Association. This organization was designed to keep the alumni informed of the changes and progress at MCS, promote ongoing class relations between graduates, and enable regular giving opportunities for alumni. We also have had frequent Hall of Flames inductions over the past years of Alumni.

Alumni are invited to return to their alma mater at any time and many frequently visit the school over Homecoming weekend, during winter holiday breaks, and summer reunion tours of the facility.



Please visit us on our website at: <u>www.mcsflames.org</u>

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