



# Back to School Guide



2023-2024

# Mission

Northshore Christian Academy partners with families to provide a superior Christian education developing spiritual, academic, and personal excellence in a Christ-centered environment.

# Vision

To transform our communities by graduating resilient disciples of Christ who are spiritually equipped and academically prepared to be the leaders of tomorrow.



Northshore Christian Academy began in 1995 with 37 students in kindergarten through third-grade meeting in a rented warehouse. Now located on our picturesque 33-acre campus, we have grown to serve over 1,000 students annually in our Early Learning Center through eighth grade. As a ministry of Northshore Christian Church, we are anchored in Christ and hold to a traditional biblical worldview.

**You are a part of our NCA family. Go Lions!**



# Welcome Back!

Welcome back NCA family! We are excited to start the new school year with you!

This guide will help you prepare and navigate the start of a new school year.

Join us: **NCA Kickoff Family BBQ**

Thursday, August 31 @ 4:30–6:30 PM

Front Lawn & Main Lobby

## 2023-2024 Theme & Verse

Anchored in Christ

“We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.” -Hebrews 6:19

## WE ARE LIONS!



## HEAD OF SCHOOL

Mrs. Pam Jackson, Head of School



Mrs. Kristin Christensen, Executive Assistant to Head of School

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**Early Learning Center**



# Early Learning Center

TODDLERS, PRESCHOOL, PRE-K (FULL DAY)

## ORIENTATION

ELC Parent Orientation – Thursday, August 31st @ 3:30 PM

## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

ELC First Day of School – Tuesday, September 5th



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## LEADERSHIP & SUPPORT

*Mrs. Angela Leyba*, ELC Director

*Mrs. Eliana Borowicz*, Program Coordinator

*Mrs. Sarah Estes*, ELC Administrative Assistant



*Mrs. Eliana Borowicz*, Program Coordinator  
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# Garden Level Division

PRE-K (AM), KINDERGARTEN, 1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADES

## ORIENTATION

Pre-K (AM), K-2nd Grade Parent Orientation – Tuesday, Sept. 5

- PreK (AM) @ 9:00 AM
- Kindergarten @ 11:00 AM
- 1st-5th: Session 1 @ 1:00 PM; or Session 2 @ 2:00 PM

## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Wednesday, Sept. 6 @ 8:30 AM

## IMPORTANT EVENTS

Uniform Exchange @ Main Lobby – Sept. 5-8 during orientation & school hours

Convocation Prayer Event @ Soccer Field – Sept. 8 @ 8:45 AM

## LEADERSHIP & SUPPORT

*Mrs. Pam Jackson, PreK (AM)-2nd Principal*

*Mrs. Noelle Brown, Assistant Principal*

*Mr. Gene Berge, K-2nd Grade Counselor*



*Mrs. Ruth Flores, Administrative Assistant*  
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**Garden Level Division**





**Skyview Division**

# Skyview Division

3<sup>RD</sup>, 4<sup>TH</sup>, & 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADES

## ORIENTATION

3rd-5th Grade Parent Orientation – Tuesday, Sept. 5:

- Session 1 @ 1:00 PM; or Session 2 @ 2:00 PM

## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Wednesday, Sept. 6 @ 8:30 AM

## IMPORTANT EVENTS

Uniform Exchange @ Main Lobby – Sept. 5-8 during orientation & school hours

Convocation Prayer Event @ Soccer Field – Sept. 8 @ 8:45 AM

## LEADERSHIP & SUPPORT

*Mrs. Heather Shaw, 3rd-5th Principal*

*Mrs. Noelle Brown, Assistant Principal*

*Mr. Gene Berge, 3rd & 4th Grade Counselor*

*Mrs. Kaylene Williams, 5th Grade Counselor*



*Miss Alexis Griffin, Administrative Assistant*  
[agriffin@nca.school](mailto:agriffin@nca.school)



# Middle School

6<sup>TH</sup>, 7<sup>TH</sup>, & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADES

## ORIENTATION

MIDDLE SCHOOL Meet & Greet – Tuesday, Sept. 5 @ 10:00 AM

## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Wednesday, Sept. 6 @ 8:30 AM

## IMPORTANT EVENTS

Uniform Exchange @ Main Lobby – Sept. 5-8 during Orientation & School Hours

Convocation Prayer Event @ Soccer Field – Sept. 8 @ 8:45 AM

Middle School Success Night – Tuesday, Sept. 19 @ 6:30 PM

## LEADERSHIP & SUPPORT

*Mr. Doug McCardle*, Middle School Principal

*Mr. Jonathon Stein*, Middle School Assistant Principal

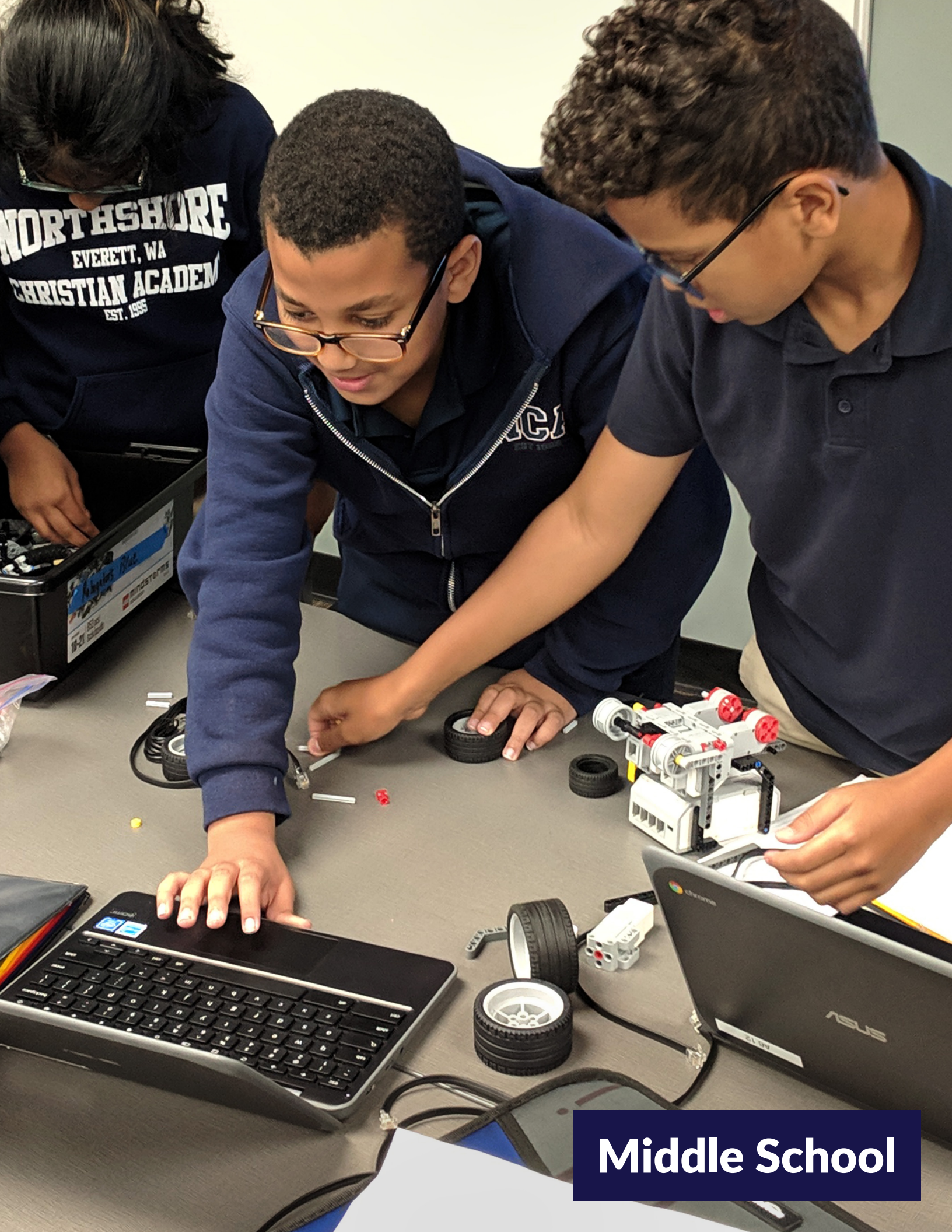
*Mrs. Kaylene Williams*, 6th-8th Grade Counselor

*Mrs. Rachel Erb*, Middle School Office Manager & Student Relations



*Mrs. Corlyn Watson*, Middle School Administrative Assistant  
[cwatson@nca.school](mailto:cwatson@nca.school)





**Middle School**



# Specialists Program

**Art** (K-2nd, 6th-8th)

**Computer** (K-8th)

**Drama** (6th-8th)

- Middle School Musical

**Foreign Language** (3rd-8th)

- Spanish

**Library** (PreK-5th)

**Music** (PreK-8th)

- General Music
- Choirs
- Bands
- Orchestras

**Physical Education** (K-8th)

**STEM** (K-8th)

- PLTW
- Robotics



Mrs. Lisa Walchenbach, Director of Fine Arts & Specialists, [lisaw@nca.school](mailto:lisaw@nca.school)  
Mrs. Teryn Jeyarajah, STEM Coordinator, [tjeyarajah@nca.school](mailto:tjeyarajah@nca.school)







# Athletics

Athletics program offered for 6th-8th students with the WIAA Conference.

- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Soccer
- Track & Field
- Volleyball



Mr. Jonathon Stein, Athletic Director  
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# Lion's Club Enrichment Classes

We offer K-8th after-school classes throughout the school year with revolving options such as STEM, Fine Arts, Cultural Exploration, Sports, Robotics, and Culinary Arts.



Mrs. Sarah Doty, Lion's Club Coordinator  
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# Extended Care Program

We offer before and after school options for K-8th grade students, including All Day Care on specified days.

Hours:

- AM Care: 7:00–8:00 AM / Mon-Fri
- PM Care: 3:30–6:00 PM / Mon-Thurs
- Friday Care: 1:00–6:00 PM
- All-Day Care: 7:00 AM–6:00 PM



Mrs. Cynthia Curtis, Extended Care Coordinator  
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# Calendar & Schedules

## CALENDARS

- Parent Calendar 2023-2024
- Key Events Calendar 2023-2024

## BELL SCHEDULES

### Early Learning Center

- 7:00 AM–6:00 PM (Mon-Fri)  
Up to 10 hours per day

### Pre-K (AM)

- 8:35 AM–11:35 AM (Mon-Thur)

### Elementary (K-5<sup>th</sup>)

- 8:30 AM–3:05 PM (Mon-Thur)
- 8:30 AM–1:05 PM (Fri)

### Middle School (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)

- 8:30 AM–3:25 PM (Mon-Thur)
- 8:30 AM–1:25 PM (Fri)

## CHAPEL SCHEDULES

ELC Preschool – Wednesdays @ 9:30 AM

PreK (AM & Full Day) – Wednesdays @ 9:50 AM

K-2nd – Wednesdays @ 9:40 AM

3rd-5th – Wednesdays @ 8:40 AM

6th-8th – Fridays @ 8:30 AM

# Parent Resources

SCHOOL UNIFORMS & LION'S WEAR

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

LUNCH & BEVERAGE (New program)

ARRIVAL / DISMISSAL

## Required Forms

### Complete Required Forms

- General Forms
- ELC Forms
- Elementary School Forms
- Middle School Forms
- Student Support Forms
- Athletics Forms (6th-8th)
- Medical Forms (Magnus)

### BLACKBAUD

- Family Portal, Resource Boards / Forms
- Tuition Management



Mrs. Tammy Gimbel, Blackbaud Coordinator  
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# Health, Safety, & Student Support

## HEALTH ROOM / NURSE



*Mrs. Gina Kikuta, RN, Head Nurse*  
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*Mrs. Joanie Gorhum, RN, Nurse*  
*Mrs. Sharman Flood, Health Room Assistant*

## SAFETY



*Mr. Doug McCardle, Safety Coordinator*  
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*Mr. Tom Goepfert, Campus Resource Officer*

## THRIVE TUTORING



*Mrs. Janet Christy, Thrive Director*  
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*Mrs. Chrissy Nicolici, Speech Pathologist*

## COUNSELORS



*Mr. Gene Berge, K-4th Grade Counselor*  
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*Mrs. Kaylene Williams, 5th-8th Grade Counselor*  
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# Development

AUCTION (Fall)

WALK-A-THON (Spring)

## WAYS TO GIVE

- Annual Fund
- Educator Excellence Award Program



Mrs. Lina Maragliano, Development Director  
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Mrs. Karlie Stein, Development Manager  
Mrs. Amy Worden, Development Coordinator

# Parent Teacher Fellowship

## VOLUNTEERING OPTIONS

- PTF Board
- PTF Annual Benefit Auction
- Teacher Appreciation Luncheons
- Classroom Ambassador Parents
- Multi-Cultural Connections
- Popcorn Club
- Giving by Purchase
- Moms in Prayer / Parents in Prayer
- Thrilling Thursdays
- Walk-A-Thon
- WatchDOGS
- Office Volunteers



# Accreditation



**Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) – Accredited**



**Cognia/Northwest Accreditation Commission (NWAC) – Accredited**



**Washington State Board of Education (SBE) – Approved**



**Washington State Department of Children, Youth & Families (DCYF) – Licensed**



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