

Kootenai Valley Christian School

1024 Montana Avenue

Libby, MT 59923

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Welcome to Kootenai Valley Christian School!

Thank you for your interest in KVCS. Our purpose is to provide an inter-denominational Christian center for academic excellence, to provide a community to model godly lives and principles before the students and to assist families and churches in challenging the students to grow and mature into Christ-centered people.

Admission to KVCS is open to all and will not be denied on the basis of race, color, national, or ethnic origin.

Enclosed in this **7th through 12th-grade** packet are materials to assist you in becoming acquainted with KVCS and assist you in the enrollment process. Included are the following:

- Statement of Faith and our School Philosophy
- Tuition and fee schedule
- Student application. (Please be sure to fill out both sides.)
- Enrollment Contract
- Commitment Agreement
- Consent to Treat
- Photo Permission Slip

The first step in the registration process is to complete the Student Application and Enrollment Forms and return them to the school. Then an appointment for a family interview will be made.

Our prayer is that KVCS will be an extension of the teaching which you have begun at home. May God be glorified as we work together preparing your child to become a young boy or girl whose life is committed to Jesus through the rest of his/her days.

Kind regards,

The Board of KVCS

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Statement of Faith

We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God.

We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.

We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful man, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential. That salvation is solely by Grace, through faith, totally apart from works.

We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.

We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.

We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Statement of Doctrine

The school views itself as an indispensable part of the three major forces on the life of each child: the home, the school and the church. The school intends to be an extension of the home and, therefore, a responsive listener to the home. It intends to be cooperative with the churches represented among the student body and supportive of activities within the tenants of the Statement of Faith. The Statement of Faith is fundamental to basic Christian tenants and contains those doctrines to which we unreservedly adhere and teach. It is our desire to maintain this position. Due to our inter-denominational position and our awareness that the Church, the bride of Christ, is composed of saints from all denominations, we desire to have a doctrinal position that will not offend that Body, but will rather edify regardless of denominational preference. Therefore, the Board has seen that the following four doctrinal areas could lead to division among us and they will be left primarily to the teaching of the home and church, though Kootenai Valley Christian School reserves the right to teach about these topics without taking a position:

- *Time and method of water baptism and communion*
- *Eternal security of the believer*
- *End times teaching*
- *Spiritual gifts*

Statement on the Sanctity of Human Life

We believe that all human life is sacred and created by God in His image. Human life is of inestimable worth in all its dimensions, including pre-born babies, the aged, the physically or mentally challenged, and every other stage or condition from conception through natural death. We are therefore called to defend, protect, and value all human life (Psalm 139).

Statement on Same Sex Marriage

Because there is long-standing Biblical evidence that a homosexual lifestyle is perverse and destructive to individuals and to society, Kootenai Valley Christian School is committed to Biblical holiness and holds in high regard Scriptural injunctions related to homosexuality. KVCS cannot accept, endorse, or condone homosexual behavior. We believe that God ordained marriage between one man and one woman.

We seek to express love, compassion, and concern for those who struggle with sexual identity, or homosexual orientation, and to support a chaste relationship in Christ. KVCS will demonstrate love toward all people and we will urge all to seek the grace of God and Biblical counsel. KVCS affirms our conviction that based on the Biblical standard we believe homosexual behavior is sin. KVCS stands firmly opposed to the licensing, ordination, or approving for leadership of those who are involved in this lifestyle. KVCS supports instruction which brings understanding to issues related to homosexuality, but opposes instruction which endorses or promotes homosexual

Philosophy

We believe that children should receive a complete course of instruction in all the common branches of learning as prescribed by the State of Montana, but that such instruction should be given from a Biblical point of view.

We believe that children can and should be taught to treat others with love and respect.

We believe in maintaining high standards of character development, academic education, fine art, vocational and student activities.

The opposite of Christ-centered education is man-centered education or humanism - declaring man, instead of God, as the authority for truth. We lift up Christ and the Bible as the ultimate authority for truth.

Goals

To provide Biblical training that will tend to teach the basic and general Christian beliefs and principles while leaving specific teaching, outworking, and areas of disagreement to parents and churches.

To provide a strong academic program that satisfies state academic requirements and prepares young people to live successfully in this world. This will be based on a Biblical educational philosophy, not a human one. Students will be given a strong background in the basics of reading, language, mathematics, science and history.

To instill patriotism, love of country and conservative ideals which have made our country great.

To provide godly Christian teachers who will be role models for the students they teach.

To develop in the child Christ-likeness in the following areas as an outgrowth of the development of the Christian mind set: (consistent life view with Christ pre-eminent)

- Spiritually - teach the basis of successful Christian living based on faith in Jesus Christ, knowledge of God's Word, development of godly character traits, and maturing in the Christian walk (II Thessalonians 3:3).
- Mentally - develop a Biblical way of thinking that places Christ preeminent in all of life, stressing that all of life is spiritual (Philippians 2:5).
- Physically - our body is the vehicle given to us by God in which we live our lives to bring glory to God. Therefore, we need to learn to care for and develop it so that we may serve God to the fullest (II Corinthians 6:16).
- Socially - to learn to develop Biblical human relationships in which we serve people not use them (Matthew 20:25-28).
- Emotionally - develop a stable personality which is based on one's self worth in "God's sight" and that emphasizes self-control and the fruits of the Spirit (Galatians 5:21,22).

Academically, the school endeavors

To promote high academic standards within the potential of the individual as uniquely created by God and to help the student realize his full academic potential.

To help each student gain a thorough comprehension and command of the fundamental processes used in communicating and dealing with others; such as reading, writing, speaking, listening, and mathematics.

To teach and encourage the use of good study habits.

To teach the student how to do independent research and to reason logically.

To motivate the student to pursue independent study in areas of personal interest.

To develop creative and critical thinking and the proper use of Biblical criteria for evaluation.

To promote good citizenship through developing the understanding and appreciation of our Christian and American heritages of responsible freedom, human dignity, and acceptance of authority.

To discuss current affairs in all fields and relate them to God's plan for man.

To produce an understanding and appreciation for God's world, and an awareness of man's role in his environment and his God-given responsibilities to use and preserve them properly.

To develop a practical reason for learning the content of mathematics, English, history, science, physical education, etc., and to allow the student to see a purpose in his/her education and how it can be used.

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Tuition and Fees

The school board of KVCS desires to provide an excellent education for every child. Parental involvement, volunteer help, and fun-raising efforts will keep tuition and fees to a minimum. Below is an outline of the registration process.

1. Application
2. Family interview
3. Notification regarding acceptance (by school to parents)
4. Family Agreement:
5. Payment plan (Enrollment Contract);
6. Service Hour participation (18 hours or \$50) per quarter (PreK-12)

Tuition & Payment Schedule

GRADE	YEARLY TUITION	9 MONTHLY PAYMENTS SEPT. 1ST - MAY 1ST
3 & 4 Yr Old Pre-school & Pre-k	\$2,997.00	\$333.00
Kindergarten	\$2,997.00	\$333.00
1st - 6th Grade	\$2,997.00	\$333.00
7th - 12th Grade	\$3,429.00	\$381.00

Payment Schedule:

- A. Tuition is due the 1st of each month. Any payments received after the 10th of each month will be subject to \$10.00. Late fee.
- B. The 1st tuition payment is due September 1st and the last payment is due May 1st.
- C. Enrollment fee will be due by June 1st to secure enrollment. Failure to pay by June 1st may result in the loss of your reserved spot. Non-refundable.

Yearly Fee Schedule

Grade	Existing Families Enrollment fee (non-refundable)	New Families Enrollment fee (non-refundable)	Service Hours
Pre-School & Pre-K	\$195.00	\$210.00	\$50/quarter
K-6th	\$245.00	\$260.00	\$50/quarter
7th-12th	\$270.00	\$285.00	\$50/quarter

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Kootenai Valley Christian School Student Code of Conduct

(To be completed by all students 7th – 12th Grade)

- 1) I will seek to build up and encourage the Body of Christ at KVCS, promoting the unity that Jesus prayed for His followers in John 17:20-26. I will provide a mature Christian role model for younger KVCS students in view of I Timothy 4:12.
- 2) I will strive to work in harmony with my classmates, the teachers, and staff. If faced with a conflict or misunderstanding, I will immediately and respectfully go to those involved to resolve the situation in view of Matthew 18:15-17.
- 3) I will practice courtesy and consideration in my association with teachers, school employees, fellow students, and visitors, respecting their person and property, in view of Ephesians 4:28-32.
- 4) I will respect the authority of teachers, administrators, and staff members and treat them respectfully as unto the Lord, in view of Hebrews 13:17 & I Thessalonians 5:12-13.
- 5) I will abstain both on and off campus at all times from the use or possession of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, and pornography, gambling and other practices that are harmful to health and Christian character, in view of I Corinthians 6:19-20.
- 6) I will abstain from profanity, vulgar or abusive speech, and harmful actions. I will speak and act in appropriate and considerate ways as I mature spiritually, academically and morally, in view of Ephesians 4:29.
- 7) I will refrain from public displays of affection on campus. I will behave discreetly and follow the KVCHS “hands off” policy, upholding biblical standards of sexual purity in view of I Thessalonians 4:3-7.
- 8) I will leave all annoying, potentially disruptive or dangerous items at home. My cell phone will remain off during school hours, in view of Philippians 2:2-3.
- 9) I will do my own work, so that my record will reflect my individual effort. I will be honest and I will not give or receive illegitimate help on tests or assignments, nor give the appearance of doing so, in view of I Thess 5:22.
- 10) I understand that plagiarism is the “use of another writer’s ideas or words without giving correct citations for them.” I will avoid plagiarism.
- 11) I will respect and follow school rules during school hours and during all school-sponsored events and field trips. I Peter 5:5

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

STUDENT APPLICATION

APPLICANT'S SECTION

Student's Name: _____ Enrollment Date: _____
Address: _____ Birthdate: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____
Home Phone: _____
Method of Applicant's Transportation to school: Parents Carpool (with whom?) _____

STUDENT SCHOOL HISTORY

School now attending or last attend: _____
Address of School: _____
Circle Grade Completed at above school:
PS PK K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11
List any other schools attended and
addresses: _____

List Awards/Achievements/Special Recognition
received: _____
Has the applicant ever failed any grade? ___Y ___N
If yes, what grade? _____
Does Applicant have a learning disability and need tutoring or special education? ___Y ___N
Has the applicant ever been dismissed or suspended from school? ___Y ___N

SPIRITUAL INFORMATION

Has the Applicant received Jesus Christ as Personal Savior? ___Y ___N Church
Name: _____
Does Applicant Regularly Attend: _____ Address: _____
Sunday School ___Y ___N Church: ___Y ___N Pastor's Name: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Hobbies: _____
Favorite Sport: _____
Talents: _____

HEALTH INFORMATION

Physician's Name: _____ Physicians Phone Number: _____
Physician's Address: _____ Is Applicant on any Medication? ___Y ___N If yes, what
Kind? _____
Does the applicant have a disease, nervous disorder, heart problem, epilepsy, asthma etc.? ___Y ___N
If yes please explain: _____

Does the applicant have any handicaps? ___Y ___N
If yes please explain: _____

Realizing that Kootenai Valley Christian School is supported in part by PRAYER and SACRIFICIAL FINANCIAL GIFTS of God's people and further realizing my responsibilities before God and the community to maintain a good

witness and testimony, I will do my best to bring honor and credit to my school, church and home. I have read and understand or my parents have read and explained to me and I understand the Parent/Student handbook. I declare myself willing to abide by the regulations and standards set forth by the Faculty and School Board and realize that the willful breaking of such may constitute a just cause for my dismissal. This is my prayer.

Student Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Student lives with: Both Parents Mother Father Other: _____

FATHER/MALE GUARDIAN'S SECTION

Name: _____ Social Security #: _____
Occupation: _____ Employer: _____
Employer's Address: _____ Employer's Phone: _____
Years Employed: _____ Previous Employer: _____
E-Mail: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Education: _____ High School _____
School College (number of years) _____
Spiritual Commitment: Have you received Jesus Christ as your personal Savior? Y N
Is the Parent a Church Member? Y N

MOTHER/FEMALE GUARDIAN'S SECTION

Name: _____ Social Security #: _____
Occupation: _____ Employer: _____
Employer's Address: _____ Employer's Phone: _____
Years Employed: _____ Previous Employer: _____
E-Mail: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Education: _____ High School _____
School College (number of years) _____
Spiritual Commitment: Have you received Jesus Christ as your personal Savior? Y N
Is the Parent a Church Member? Y N

ALTERNATE CONTACT

Responsible Adult to contact if parents cannot be reached
Name: _____ Relationship: _____
Address: _____
Home phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____
List other children under 18 years of age living with your family:

List any unusual factors in the life of applicant (examples: absence of father or mother, invalidism of either parent, adoption, unusual accident, serious illness, etc.)

Reason(s) for selecting Kootenai Valley Christian School: _____
Recommended by: _____

Have we had an interview with you regarding your child's application Y N

I have read the Parent/Student Handbook. I declare myself willing to cooperate with the school in its endeavor to maintain these regulations and high Christian standards or put in writing any concerns I have with provisions therein and discuss these with the administrator.

Father's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Mother's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Enrollment Contract

Please be advised of the following policies:

- Current tuition and fee rates are published each spring at re-enrollment time.
- Each parent is furnished with an enrollment contract at the start of the year. This provides tuition payments prorated on a ten-month pay schedule.
- Tuition payments begin on September 1st of each school year. Payments are due on the first of each month, September 1st through May 1st. Any payments not received by the 10th of the month will be considered past due and assessed a late fee of \$10.00 per month. If it is not possible that payment be made at that time, it is the responsibility of the parents to notify the school administrator in writing or by phone and work out an agreeable arrangement. If it is not cleared, your chil(ren) will be withdrawn from school. A 5% discount will be given if yearly tuition is made as a one time payment, in full, before the start of each school year.
- Enrollment fees are to be paid in full before your child begins school.
- No enrollment fee refunds will be given unless conditions warrant such consideration and pre-approved by the board.
- New students enrolling at mid-term will pay the full registration fee and the supply fees will be prorated. Tuition payments may be adjusted as necessary, depending on the date of enrollment.
- Because our budget is dependent upon student commitment, a withdrawal fee is due for students who are withdrawn prior to the end of the school year. The withdrawal fee will be one month of tuition. If at least two weeks' notice is given, and all family requirements are fulfilled (account must be current on service fees & tuition) the fee will be prorated to one half of the month.
- Each family is required to contribute 18 service hours, per quarter at the school. They may be per job or per hour, depending on the area you are serving. If unable to serve in this way, a \$50.00 quarterly fee must be paid to the school at the start of each quarter.
- If student accounts become past due two (2) months, you will have 10 days to clear the account. If it cannot be cleared, your child(ren) will have to be withdrawn.
- ALL donations received for scholarship, whether for specific student or general scholarship, are not eligible for a refund and will be used for scholarships at the discretion of the Board in the event a specific scholarship student exits the school.

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K-12 student discount: 2nd child \$20/month. Discount, 3rd child \$40/month discount, 4th child free

We have _____ child(ren) enrolled at KVCS in the 20__-20__ School Year.

Student Names: _____

I would like to pay my tuition in:

- *One-time payment in full (less 5% discount) _____ Total tuition \$ _____
 Advanced payments of _____ Deduction \$ _____
 9 monthly installments of _____ Scholarship \$ _____
 Other _____ Total Due \$ _____

*This applies to Kindergarten through 12th Grade only.

Please Note: Need-based scholarships are available. There is a non-refundable \$40 scholarship application fee per family.

Parent Sginature _____ **Date:** _____

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**IN THIS COMMITMENT BETWEEN KOOTENAI VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL AND
(PARENTS NAME) _____ WE AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:**

1. We will faithfully support the school through our prayers and positive attitude, and share any complaints, questionable, or negative comments with only the people involved (administration or faculty), and not around our child(ren).
2. We understand the general philosophy of education and are in agreement with the purpose and intent of Kootenai Valley Christian School.
3. We agree with the standards of conduct and discipline and grant authority to the teacher and administration to discipline our child(ren) when necessary.
4. We understand that the standards of Kootenai Valley Christian School do not tolerate profanity, obscenity in word or action, dishonor to the Holy Trinity and the Word of God, disrespect to the personnel of the school, or continued disobedience to the established policies of the school.
5. We understand that our failure to report any prescribed program of medication, involvement with the law or juvenile authorities may be cause for immediate dismissal. We agree to report relevant psychiatric or psychological counseling information.
6. We agree to hold and support the high academic standards of the school by providing a place at home for our child(ren) to study, and to give our child(ren) encouragement in the completion of homework and assignments.
7. We will support the school by regular involvement at Parent/Teacher fellowship meetings, workdays, open house, fundraisers, and other school-sponsored meetings and activities.
8. We understand and agree to the school's financial policy.
9. Pre-existing student(s) enrollment fee is due by June 1st. New student(s) enrollment fee is due upon acceptance.
10. If a family so chooses, they may pay tuition in 9 equal monthly payments beginning September 1. Payment is expected by the 1st of each following month. A \$10.00 late fee will be assessed if payment is not received by the 10th.
11. If there is some difficulty in paying the account, contact should be made with the administrator as soon as the account becomes past due.
12. If student accounts become past due two (2) months, you will have 10 days to clear the account. If it cannot be cleared, your child(ren) will have to be withdrawn.
13. We understand that failure of the parents to comply with established regulations and discipline, parental commitment, and financial obligations will forfeit the student's privilege to attend Kootenai Valley Christian School.

By signing below, we attest that we have read the commitments and we agree.

Father _____ Date _____

Mother _____ Date: _____

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Authorization to Consent of Treatment of a Minor and To Release a Minor to a Person Other Than a Parent or Guardian to a Nearest Hospital

The undersigned parent or guardian of _____ (Student Name), a minor, authorizes any school sponsor, in an emergency situation, to consent to x-ray examination, laboratory test, anesthetic, medical or surgical procedure, or hospital care required by him/her while in their custody, and for which I am not able to be reached to provide consent.

Family

Physician _____ Telephone _____

Insurance

Company _____

Such care must be recommended by and performed under the supervision of a physician licensed to practice medicine.

Upon completion of medical care, you are authorized to release _____

(Student Name) to the custody of a school staff member or to the responsible adult below:

Name _____ Telephone _____

Then following information is relevant to my child's health:

Allergies _____

Medication _____

Other medical problems or conditions

__A new Authorization to Consent of Treatment must be submitted at the beginning of every school year for each student enrolled at KVCS. The authorization will remain valid for the length of the school year and will expire the last scheduled day of school.

Parent/Guardian

Signature_____Date_____

Internet Usage and Google Student Account Permission

Dear Parent or Guardian:

With your permission, your child will be able to access the Internet and obtain a Google account (consisting of a Gmail email account and use of Google Documents) at school as part of their class instruction. *Please read the usage guidelines below, sign & date the bottom section, and return to the Kootenai Valley Christian School office or your child's teacher.*

Guidelines for Internet Usage

1. All students must have a signed permission slip from their parents that authorizes them access to the Internet.
2. Respect for the equipment of the school and its network is a condition for the use of the computers.
3. Students are to notify the teacher immediately of any disturbing material they may encounter on the web or in e-mail.
4. Students are not to give out personal information such as telephone number, full name, address, etc. to anyone on the Internet.
5. Students are to never give anyone their password to any of their accounts or allow another student to use their account to access the Internet.
6. Students must gain clearance from the teacher before downloading anything from the Internet.

7. A Google account will be created for each student whose teacher requires it. This is for the sole purpose of accessing Google Documents and Gmail for teacher to student communication and for completing and submitting schoolwork electronically.

*Violation of any of these rules may result in appropriate disciplinary action
and/or forfeiture of permission to use the Internet.*

I give permission for my child _____ to access the Internet and school network in accordance with the above guidelines. I also allow Kootenai Valley Christian School to create a Google account for my child for the purposes of schoolwork and teacher to student communication.

Parent/Guardian Name: (Please Print) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

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KVCS PHOTO PERMISSION SLIP

From time to time, KVCS takes pictures during school activities. We would like your permission to use your child(ren)'s pictures on our website, in the weekly newsletter, on our bulletin boards, and/or in advertising brochures and presentations. Pictures would be selected to highlight activities in their class environment or special events. We will never reference your child by name or provide any specific information regarding your child. The pictures will only be used by Kootenai Valley Christian School to show the many ways our children & youth can have fun while participating in school!

Please take a moment to let us know your preferences regarding our use of photos of your children:

Initial beside all that you agree to:

I grant permission to use photos of my child on Kootenai Valley Christian School _____ website, _____ Facebook, _____ Yearbook, _____ bulletin boards, _____ newsletters, and/or advertising brochures & presentations.

-OR-

_____ NO. Please do NOT take or use any photos of my child.

Child(ren)'s Name(s) (PLEASE PRINT):

Parent/Guardian's Name (PLEASE PRINT):

Parent/Guardian's Signature:

Date: _____

For questions or concerns about this form, please feel free to contact the office.