# 2024 - 2025 ADMISSIONS





# WELCOME PROSPECTIVE WATERSPRINGS PARENTS

Thank you for your interest in Watersprings School and Christian education. The choice you make for your child's education shapes them academically and spiritually, as well as helps them develop their worldview. At Watersprings School we take very seriously the responsibility of developing children's minds in each of these areas and recognize that developing skills in young people is essential to helping them reach their God-given potential.

Our Christian educators help shape a worldview in which God has His rightful place, and they look to the Bible for guidance in answering life's big questions. These teachers enhance children's spiritual development in an intentional, nurturing manner.

Watersprings School would love to partner with you in Christian education. We desire to work alongside you to help your child grow spiritually, academically, and socially.

We care about the things you care about; nurturing a love for God and people, building character, instilling strong principles and values, college and career readiness, safety, security, accessible teachers, academic excellence, wholesome/biblical peer influence, and developing leadership skills and abilities.

As a student of Watersprings School, your child will enjoy:

- A loving environment where teachers genuinely care for their students
- Affordable Tuition
- Small Class Sizes
- Secure Buildings with Video Surveillance
- Licensed Before and After-school Daycare
- A Thriving Athletic Program
- A Full Size Gymnasium and Auxiliary Gym
- Technology Integration for All Grades
- Two Beautiful Playgrounds

We ask that you would prayerfully consider partnering with Watersprings School in Christian education. Should you have any questions or if you would like to schedule a tour or shadow day, please feel free to call me at 208.542.6250 or email me at admissions@waterspringsschool.net.

Shayley Howell

Director of Admissions and Marketing



#### **Notice Of Nondiscriminatory Policy as to Students**

Watersprings School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin and grants them all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national, or ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship programs, athletic, and school-administered programs.

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### Who We Are

Watersprings School was founded in 1997 upon a desire to provide the Christian community of Idaho Falls with a Christ-centered school.

Partnering with Christian parents, Watersprings School provides a Christ-centered education built upon a biblical foundation of love, truth, and discipline and trains students spiritually, academically, physically, and socially for a lifetime of glorifying and serving the Lord.

Currently, Watersprings School has over 400 students enrolled in our Preschool through 12th grade.

### **TUITION & FEES**

#### Registration and Tuition

	PRESCHOOL						
Registration 9 Month Tuition 9 Month Plan 4 days Plan 5		9 Month Tuition Plan 5 days	10 Month Tuition Plan 4 days	10 Month Tuition Plan 5 days	Yearly Tuition 4 days	Yearly Tuition 5 days	
\$225.00	\$337.22	\$381.67	\$303.50	\$343.50	\$3,035.00	\$3,435.00	

KINDERGARTEN - HIGH SCHOOL							
	Registration	9 Month Tuition Plan	10 Month Tuition Plan (Contract due by Jul. 5 to qualify)	Yearly Tuition			
Kindergarten - 1st Grade	\$325.00	\$611.67	\$550.50	\$5,505.00			
2nd Grade - 5th Grade	\$400.00	\$611.67	\$550.50	\$5,505.00			
6th Grade - 8th Grade	\$400.00	\$678.89	\$611.00	\$6,110.00			
9th Grade - 12th Grade	\$400.00	\$786.11	\$707.50	\$7,075.00			

For new students, a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit of the registration fee is required at the time of enrollment to hold each student's spot.

The registration fee is due by August 1, 2024.

If enrollment happens after the school year has begun then the Registration Fee will be due within two weeks of student's initial start date.

Once a student begins the school year, registration, building & maintenance, and parent volunteer fees are non-refundable.

#### Yearly Building & Maintenance Fee Per Family

(Fee determined by oldest student in the family. Yearly building & maintenance fee can be spread throughout the year.)

Grades K3 - 3rd \$200.00 Grades 4th - 12th \$300.00

#### **School Discounts**

- \$100 discount will be given if the yearly tuition is paid in full by September 1, 2024.
- Multi-Student Discount: Eldest child pays full tuition; siblings receive 20% discount on their tuition cost.
- 25% Pastor Discount.

# **Mission Statement**

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# ABOUT WATERSPRINGS SCHOOL

#### **Office Hours**

- Elementary School 8:00 am 3:30 pm
- Middle School/High School 8:00 am 4:00 pm

#### **Daycare**

- Grades K3-6th grades
- Cost \$4.00 per hour for the 1st student and \$3.25 per hour for each additional student
- Hours 7:15 am until 8:15 am and after school until
   6:00 pm
- Daycare invoices will be emailed weekly via FACTS

#### **Educational Affiliation/Accreditation**

Watersprings School is a member of the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI). Our Middle School/High School is accredited through ACSI and Cognia.

#### **Payments**

School/Daycare payments can be made online through FACTS or in the school office. We accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover, credit or debit cards. There will be a **2.6% fee charged for any credit transaction**.

#### **FACTS**

You can use our online FACTS system to pay school fees, make tuition payments, and purchase school lunches. You can access this via factsmgt.com or through a link on our school website waterspringsschool.net.

You can use the FACTS Family Portal to access documents and schedules, view grades, email your child's teachers, and more.

You will need to enter our District Code, which is CC-ID, and then you will be able to create your own Username and Password. Please call the School Office at (208)542-6250 if you need assistance.

#### **Lunch Program**

We offer nutritional and affordable lunches for all our students. Pre-payment is required.

Hot lunch (including milk) costs:

- K3 & K4: \$3.25 a day, and milk alone is \$0.50
- K5 5th Grades: \$3.50 a day, and milk alone is \$0.50
- 6th through 12th Grades: \$3.75 a day, and milk alone is \$0.50

#### **School Supplies**

The annual registration fee pays for all standard school supplies for your child. Additional supplies may be requested. Your child will need to bring a backpack.

#### **School Website**

For your convenience, the below information can be found on our school website at waterspringsschool.net.

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- Online Registration/Tuition Information
- School Calendar
- Lunch Menus and Costs
- Student and Parent Handbook
- Athletics Info
- Pictures of Events and Activities
- And much more!





<b>&gt;</b>	Grade	Bible	Language Arts	Spelling	Math	History and Science	Electives
STUDY	K4	Purposeful Design	BJU Press	BJU Press	Abeka/ BJU Press	BJU Press	Art, Music
SE OF	K5	Purposeful Design	BJU Press	BJU Press	Big Ideas Math: Modeling Real Life	BJU Press	Art, Music, PE, Technology
EMENTARY COURSE	1	Purposeful Design	BJU Press	BJU Press	Big Ideas Math: Modeling Real Life	BJU Press	Art, Music, PE, Technology
ARY (	2	Purposeful Design	BJU Press	Purposeful Design	Big Ideas Math: Modeling Real Life	BJU Press	Art, Music, PE, Spanish, Technology
M M E N	3	Purposeful Design	BJU Press	Purposeful Design	Big Ideas Math: Modeling Real Life	BJU Press	Art, Music, PE, Spanish, Technology
PRE-K/ELE	4	Purposeful Design	BJU Press	Purposeful Design	Big Ideas Math: Modeling Real Life	BJU Press	Art, Music, PE, Spanish, Technology
PRE-	5	Purposeful Design	BJU Press	Purposeful Design	Big Ideas Math: Modeling Real Life	BJU Press	Art, Music, PE, Spanish, Technology



	Grade	Religion	Math	Science	Language Arts	Social Studies	Special Areas
	6	Bible	6th Grade Math	6th Grade Science	Literature, Grammar, Composition, Vocabulary	Ancient History	Art, H.E.L.P.S., Physical Education
OF STUDY	7	Bible	7th Grade Math or Pre-Algebra	Life Science	Literature, Grammar, Composition, Vocabulary	World History	Art, Physical Education, Spanish
	8	Bible	Pre-Algebra or Algebra 1 (HS Credit)	Earth & Space	Literature, Grammar, Composition, Vocabulary	American History	Art, Physical Education, Spanish (HS Credit)
MS/HS COURSE	9	Bible	Algebra 1 or Geometry	Physical Science	Fundamentals of Literature, Writing & Grammar	Health* Speech* Geography* *required 9th grade courses	Physical Education, Spanish
/HS C	10	Bible	Geometry or Algebra 2	Biology	Elements of Literature, Writing & Grammar	World History	Health, Spanish
Σ S	11	Bible	Algebra 2 or Pre-Calculus	Anatomy/ Chemistry	American Literature, Writing & Grammar	US History	Career Development, Physical Education, Work-Based Learning
	12	Bible	Financial Algebra or Calculus (Dual Credit)	Chemistry/ Physics	British Literature, Writing & Grammar	American Government & Economics	Physical Education, Senior Project, Work-Based Learning

### **PRESCHOOL**

#### Ages 3 and 4

#### 8:30 am to 11:30 am Daily

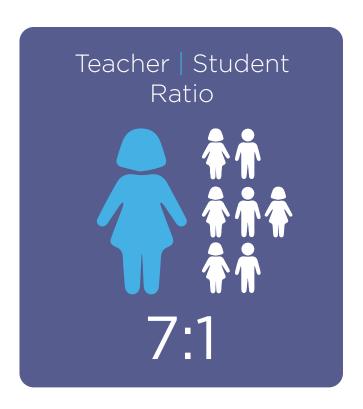
Our preschool has a rich curriculum designed to equip students with Kindergarten readiness skills. Students learn their letters, numbers, and even begin some essential prereading skills. Additionally, our preschoolers learn about many Bible truths that emphasize God's love. Lessons include discussions on prayer, creation, sin, forgiveness, God's promises, obedience to God, and the life of Jesus.

#### **Daycare**

Before and after school daycare is available from 7:15 am to 6:00 pm. Students enjoy structured activities (snack time, homework club, arts and crafts, etc.)

Our Preschool and Daycare staff are:

- Licensed through the City of Idaho Falls
- Fingerprinted and Background Checked
- CPR Certified
- Engaged in 20+ hours of Professional Development each year



# It's a great place to learn about God and life and pretty much everything else! - Student







### **ELEMENTARY**

#### Kindergarten through 5th Grade

(Students must be 5 years old by September 1st to enroll in Kindergarten)

#### 8:30 am to 3:00 pm Daily

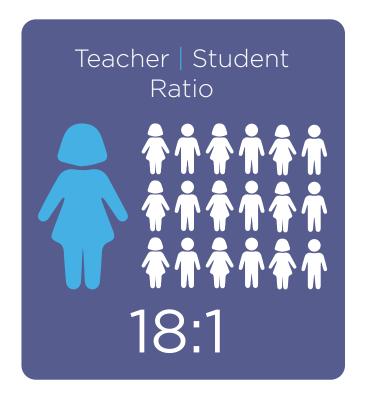
We have three important components that we focus on in our elementary grades:

- **1. Biblical Worldview** We teach each subject through the lens of Scripture.
- 2. Academic Rigor We utilize educational materials that use hands-on learning, creative problem solving, and other research-proven instructional strategies to motivate students to take an active role in learning and to master age appropriate material.
- **3. Critical Thinking** Our goal is for our educational program to go beyond facts and processes, so we utilize a curriculum that directs students to think for themselves. We challenge students to develop skills in critical thinking with inductive teaching, hands-on-learning, and probing questions.

Our elementary students enjoy:

- STEAM Projects
- Music

- PE
- Technology



- Playground
- Chapel

# Love

Loving Christ and one another

# Learning

A learning rich environment, striving for academic excellence.

# Leadership

Training up the next generation for leadership in our community and in the church.







# MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL

#### Profile

Watersprings School is an Early Childhood Education through 12th grade private Christian school with over 400 students. The current enrollment of secondary (grades 6-12) students is approximately 140 students. Founded in 1997, the school is a ministry of Watersprings Church with a student body representing multiple churches throughout the local area.

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#### **Grading System**

Letter Grade	Grading Scale	GPA points	GPA for Dual Credit Courses
Α+	97+	4.0	5.0
A	93-96	4.0	5.0
Α-	90-92	4.0	5.0
B+	87-89	3.0	4.0
В	83-86	3.0	4.0
B-	80-82	3.0	4.0
C+	77-79	2.0	3.0
С	73-76	2.0	3.0
C-	70-72	2.0	3.0
D+	67-69	1.0	1.0
D	63-66	1.0	1.0
D-	60-62	1.0	1.0
F	0-59	0.0	0.0
W	Withdrawn	0.0	0.0

#### **Grading Period & Schedules**

The school year is divided into trimesters. Middle School students have seven class periods daily. High School students have six class periods daily. Class periods are slightly shorter on Wednesdays to accommodate weekly chapel. School hours are from 8:15 am 3:30 pm.

### Average Number of Middle Schoolers per Grade 22 Average Number of High Schoolers per Grade 16



#### **Faculty**

From among the school's fifteen faculty members, six hold degrees above a bachelors. Our secondary principal has 17 years of administrative experience. The average student to faculty ratio is 12:1.

#### **Standardized Testing**

Pre ACT 8/9

Pre ACT

ACT

#### **Dual Credit/Dual Enrollment Courses**

- Calculus
- Understanding the Times (Bible)
- Understanding the Faith (Bible)
- Anatomy & Physiology

Juniors and Seniors may take additional dual credit/dual enrollment courses as approved by the Guidance Department.

# HIGH SCHOOL - CLASS OF 2025

#### **Graduation Requirements**

Bible (12 credits)\*

English (12 credits) Mathematics

(12 credits) Science (12 credits)

Social Studies (10 credits)

Foreign Language (3 credits)\*\*

Speech (1 credit)

Health (1 credit)

Career Development (1 credit)

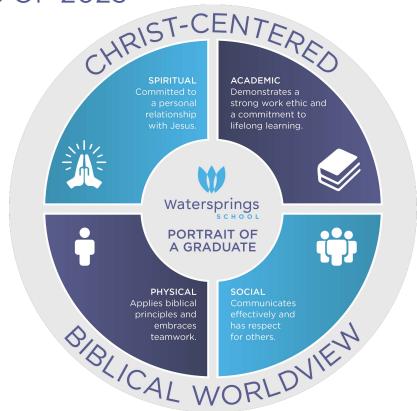
Physical Education (2 credits)\*\*\*

Electives (4 credits)

Senior Project (1 credit)

**Total: 71 credits** 

**Notes** 



- \* Bible Bible credits are required for each trimester in attendance at Watersprings School.
- \*\*Two or more years of the same foreign language are strongly recommended and are required for admission to many colleges. Three years are required by some highly competitive colleges.
- \*\*\*PE At Watersprings School, students who participate in sports are eligible to earn additional credits. These are reflected on a student's transcript as a participation credit in the appropriate sport. While a student can potentially earn many PE credits for PE classes taken and sports played, only 1 of the required 4 elective credits can be physical education related. The remaining 3 credits must be received for taking non-PE classes.

Credits - 1 credit is earned each trimester for each course successfully completed.









#### **Athletics**

Watersprings School has won both team state championships and individual state championships in addition to three academic state championships. We believe that participation in sports closely models life itself and provides an opportunity for kids to grow and mature into adulthood. Our student-athletes are taught teamwork, commitment, discipline, servant leadership, hard work, toughness, sportsmanship, perseverance, and sacrifice. We are members of the Idaho High School Activities Association and compete in IA Division II athletics.

#### **Middle School Sports**

Girls volleyball | Girls basketball | Girls track | Boys basketball | Boys track Boys football is available through the Sandcreek Gridkid Football program

#### **High School Sports**

| Girls cheerleading | Girls volleyball | Girls basketball | Girls track | Girls Golf | Girls Cross Country | Boys football | Boys basketball | Boys track | Boys Golf | Boys Cross Country

#### College Placement and Scholarships

Watersprings School students receive both academic and athletic scholarships. College acceptances include:

#### State of Idaho

Boise State University
College of Eastern Idaho
Idaho State University
Northwest Lineman College
University of Idaho
Vogue Beauty College

#### **Armed Forces**

Army Marines

#### **Out-of-State Schools**

Arizona State University
Calvary Chapel Bible College
Dixie State University
John Brown University
Kentucky State University
Life Pacific College
Montana State University
Portland Community College
South Dakota School of Mines
Tabor College
University of Montana

University of Montana Western University of Tennessee Utah State University Utah Valley University Weber State

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My son just started attending Watersprings School for 6th grade and we've seen positive changes in him! He loves school & knows he belongs here! I highly recommend this school!!! - Parent

#### **Spiritual Life**

#### Weekly Chapel

Each week, Watersprings School students enjoy chapel which begins with worship and culminates with a Christ-centered message designed to deepen a student's walk with Christ. A voluntary, weekly offering is collected and used to support the Niños con Fe ministry in Mexico. Parents are welcome to join us and participate with their child.

#### **Holy Spirit Week**

Holy Spirit Week is an annual event at Watersprings School that provides a Christ-centered, intentional, and purposeful opportunity for students' minds to be enriched by God's Word and for their hearts to grow in love for Christ. Chapel is held daily in the Watersprings Church sanctuary where students enjoy being led in worship and hearing from a variety of guest speakers.





#### **National Honor Society**

Membership in the National Honor Society (NHS) is one of the highest honors that can be awarded to a high school student. The Watersprings School chapter has worked hard to bring the accomplishments of outstanding students to the attention of parents, teachers, peers, and the community. Our chapter strives to give practical meaning to the Society's standards of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. These four ideals are considered as the basis for selection. No student is inducted simply because of a high academic average. The National Honor Society strives to recognize the total student—one who excels in all of these areas. Membership, however, is more than an honor. It is an ongoing responsibility and an obligation to continue to demonstrate those outstanding qualities that result in a student's selection.

### **Associated Student Body**

The Associated Student Body (ASB) of Watersprings School is devoted to serving our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and our Warrior family. With humble leadership, ASB will strive to create a school environment that fosters participation, unity, and school spirit in an effort to bring glory to the Lord.

The purpose of ASB is to: (a) develop responsibility, leadership, and school spirit, (b) promote the welfare and uphold the traditions of Watersprings School, (c) encourage godly behavior, student initiative, and respect among and students and staff, (d) nurture amity and cooperation among the students of this and all neighboring high schools, (e) support student activities, (f) provide information to incoming students, (g) provide opportunities for the training of student leaders, and (h) enhance all activities whether they are on campus or in the community.



# **EXPECTED STUDENT OUTCOMES**



# And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men. (Luke 2:52)

The mission of Watersprings School is to provide a Christ-centered education in order to train students spiritually, academically, physically, and socially for a lifetime of serving the Lord. It is our fervent prayer that, as a result of this education and the Lord's ongoing work upon the hearts and minds of our students, that our graduates will demonstrate the following characteristics:

#### Spiritual

- Commits to a personal relationship with Christ and pursues ongoing spiritual development (John 3:16, Romans 10:9, Acts 17:11, Colossians 1:9-10)
- Understands the gospel, salvation, and how to witness to others (II Timothy 2:2, Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15-16, 1 Peter 3:15)
- Practices spiritual disciplines such as devotions, personal Bible study, and prayer (Joshua 1:8, Psalm 119:15, Philippians 2:2, 1 Thessalonians 5:17, Ephesians 6:18)
- Commits to regular fellowship with a body of believers through a local church (Hebrews 10:25, Matthew 28:16-20, 1 Corinthians 12)
- Knows, understands, and applies the Bible as God's infallible Word (II Timothy 3:16-17)
- Interprets and articulates a biblical worldview and operates from that perspective in the world and in daily decision making (Genesis 1:28)
- Articulates differences between Christianity and other worldviews (2 Timothy 2:15)
- Dialogues effectively with those who hold other worldviews (2 Timothy 2:15)
- Defends one's faith by using the Word of God (1 Peter 3:15, 2 Timothy 4:2)

#### Academic

- Demonstrates academic preparedness in all academic disciplines (Luke 2:52)
- Thinks critically and logically to ascertain truth and solve real-world problems (Proverbs 1:5)
- Pursues a strong work ethic and a commitment to lifelong learning (Colossians 3:23)
- Has the skills to ask questions, solve problems and make wise decisions (Proverbs 2:1-5, 3:5-6)
- Knows how to utilize resources, including technology, and to find, analyze and evaluate information within a Christian context (Philippians 4:8)

#### **Physical**

- Treats their bodies as the temples of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)
- Demonstrates self-control based on Biblical standards (2 Timothy 1:7, Galatians 5:22-23)
- Embraces the values of teamwork and sacrifice for the sake of others (John 15:13, Ecclesiastes 4:9-10)

#### Social

- Learns to communicate effectively when speaking and writing (2 Timothy 4:2)
- Understands that work has dignity as an expression of the nature of God (Colossians 3:23-24)
- Respects the people with whom they work, play, and live and relates to them appropriately and with integrity (Titus 2:7)
- Practices stewardship of all God has entrusted to him/her (1 Corinthians 4:2)
- Demonstrates servant-leadership (Matthew 20:2-8, John 15:13)

# VARIABLE TUITION

### Making Christian Education Affordable

We understand that a Christian education is a huge investment for our families, so we offer an affordable option; Variable Tuition. Variable Tuition is a needs-based program, allowing families to apply for reduced tuition that fits their unique financial situation. Our goal is to make Watersprings School affordable and accessible to most families. Apply for Variable Tuition by going to online.factsmgt.com/aid. (Not available for Preschool)

#### How does it work?

Any family may apply for Variable Tuition if they are concerned about affording the full tuition rate at Watersprings School. We use a 3rd party company to decide who qualifies and many factors are used to determine the tuition amount a family is able to pay such as income, assets, and the family size.

# Do I need to apply to Watersprings School to receive Variable Tuition?

Yes. Admission acceptance will need to happen before applying for Variable Tuition.

# Are all admitted students offered Variable Tuition if the family qualifies?

No. Unfortunately, the school does not have the ability to offer Variable Tuition to every student who qualifies for both admission and Variable Tuition. A student may be admitted to the school but placed on a waiting list for Variable Tuition. It is recommended that families apply for Variable Tuition as early as possible.

# Do I need to apply for Variable Tuition every year?

Yes. A new application must be submitted every year.

# If I do not qualify for the program this year, can I apply again next year?

Yes. A family that does not qualify is welcome to reapply the following year.

# Should every family submit an application for Variable Tuition?

No. Only families who feel that they may not be able to pay the full tuition amount should submit a Variable Tuition application.

#### Do returning students receive priority over new students when applying for Variable Tuition?

Yes. Re-enrolling students who submit a re-enrollment application will receive priority consideration.

# Will applying for Variable Tuition hurt my student's chance of being accepted to Watersprings School?

No. Both applications are evaluated separately, and applying for Variable Tuition has no bearing on the admissions process.

# Do I need to apply for re-enrollment separately from applying for Variable Tuition?

Yes. For returning students the re-enrollment process must be completed before the application for Variable Tuition can be considered.

# What kind of economic situation is typical of a family who qualifies for Variable Tuition?

Families with a wide variety of circumstances qualify for the program.

#### Are some families awarded full tuition?

No. Every family is required to make a financial investment in their child's education. Our commitment to providing Variable Tuition means that we are sharing in that investment with you.

#### Who should I contact with questions?

Questions should be directed to our school office at (208) 542-6250.



Watersprings School offers a Christ-centered education that strives to equip students with college and career readiness as well as cultivate a lifelong desire to serve Jesus.





