



WELCH
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COLLEGIATE
— ACADEMY —





DESIGNED FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE:

- intellectually curious
- self-starters
- ready to learn in a more mature setting
- focused on academics

OUR MISSION

The new Welch Collegiate Academy provides high-achieving high school juniors and seniors an opportunity to enroll in a Christ-centered collegiate experience at Welch College, earning both a high school diploma and a college associate's degree at the same time.

WELCH'S DISTINCTION

Welch Collegiate Academy is hosted by Welch College (est. 1942) and available through a partnership with Christian Community Schools.

WELCH COLLEGE IS:

- 1.** an evangelical Christian liberal arts college in Gallatin, Tennessee
- 2.** accredited by the SACS Commission on Colleges
- 3.** ranked Top 10 by *U.S. News and World Report's Best Colleges* among Regional Colleges–South
- 4.** ranked #3 among college teacher education departments in Tennessee by the Tennessee Department of Education

HOW IT WORKS:

- Students will commute to the Welch campus and take up to 62 credit hours of courses.
- At the end of this two-year experience, students who satisfactorily complete required courses will receive a high school diploma from Christian Community Schools and an Associate of Arts degree (A.A.) from Welch College.
- Credit earned is eligible for transfer to any accredited college or university.
- Some students may wish to remain enrolled in their high school or home school and enroll in college-credit courses at Welch Collegiate Academy.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- Completion of 11 High School Credits
- 3.00 GPA
- 21 ACT Composite Score
- Church Involvement and Spiritual Maturity



TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID

Welch Collegiate Academy enables families to provide their children with up to 62 hours of credit and a degree from a private Christian college at a fraction of the typical cost.

- With the Dual Enrollment (DE) Grant, Tennessee students will pay just \$850 out of pocket for the first 30 hours (10 courses).
 - The Tennessee Dual Enrollment Grant pays the entire cost of the first 5 courses.
 - All Welch DE coursework is recorded on the student's college transcript and can apply toward associate's and bachelor's degrees and pays \$300 per course for the next 5 courses.
- Students can continue to take college courses at the special rate of \$170 per credit hour. Welch Collegiate Academy students may enroll for the next 30 hours for just \$5,100. (The cumulative, out-of-pocket amount for 60 hours is \$5,950.)*
- Students who complete 62 hours can subsequently enroll in a program of studies at Welch College and the completed coursework will apply toward the degree selected by the student. Coursework transcribed from Welch Collegiate Academy students may be applied to a Welch College Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree. The Welch College minimum requirement for an Associate of Arts degree is 62 hours and for a bachelor's degree is 124 credit hours.

Learn more at welch.edu/finaid.

*Up to 60 credit hours can be earned prior to high school graduation. The remaining credit hours would be earned in the summer term immediately following high school graduation allowing the student to receive a Welch College associate's degree.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1 **Q:** Who will teach the classes?

A: Welch Collegiate Academy students will be enrolled in college courses (most at the freshman or sophomore level) with regular Welch College students, and the courses will be taught by regular faculty at Welch College.

2 **Q:** May I attend part-time and still attend and graduate from another school?

A: Yes. Students may, based on the requirements of their schools or their home school requirements, attend Welch Collegiate Academy on a part-time basis.

3 **Q:** What about lunch?

A: Students may bring their own lunch and eat in either the dining hall or the West End coffee shop. Students wishing to purchase their lunch from Welch can purchase the Commuter Student Meal Plan for \$508 per semester or eat in the dining hall for \$6.50 per meal.

4 **Q:** Can I be involved in the arts at Welch?

A: Yes. WCA students are eligible to audition for the arts at Welch, including musical ensembles such as the Welch College Choir, *Rejoice!* vocal ensemble, the instrumental ensemble, as well as theatrical productions such as the fall play and spring musical and the theatrical touring ensemble *The Evangel Players*.

5 **Q:** Can I be involved in intercollegiate athletics at Welch?

A: Since NCCAA rules require that athletes be high school graduates, WCA students are not eligible to participate on Welch athletic teams.

6 **Q:** Can I continue to be involved in extracurricular activities such as sports or the arts at my high school?

A: Yes. TSSAA provisions for home schooled students will apply to students who participate in athletics. Home schooled students would participate in the arts (i.e. music, theater, forensics, etc.) based on the partner school schedule and practice requirements.

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