Accomplishment
Artistry
Celebration
Discovery
Eternity
Hope
Innovation
Intellect
Missions
Performance
Renewal
Selflessness
Teamwork
Worship
The NCS community goes beyond high quality education and strives to support parents in developing mature Christian individuals. This is accomplished in the classroom through Bible-based academics and character development as well as through a community of mentors and peers who provide positive impact in the lives of NCS students.

**why NCS?**

**WHAT SETS US APART?**

**Academics**

20 Honors courses  
Accelerated Math and Accelerated Reader programs  
ACT ASPIRE and PSAT/NMSQT  
AdvancED & ACSI Accredited  
Arizona Career Information System (AzCIS)  
Dual enrollment college courses  
Guidance counselor/college planning  
Low student to teacher ratio  
NCS graduates average over $70,000 in college scholarships  
Orton-Gillingham instruction for phonics grades K-5  
PSAT/SAT/ACT preparation through The Princeton Review  
Ranked #1 Private Christian School in Arizona  
SAT/ACT scores above state and national averages  
Spanish offered grades 3-12  
Speech, spelling, and academic meets  
Summer school  
Weekly classes in technology, arts, and physical education

**Spiritual Life**

Daily Bible classes  
Discipleship groups  
Service projects for all grades  
Parent prayer support with Moms in Prayer and Big Boys on Campus  
Student led community groups  
Weekly chapel

**Campus Life**

Celebrated fine arts program  
Clubs to suit most interests  
Events like Homecoming, Sadie Hawkins, and Prom  
Field days  
Middle school activities including Amazing Race and Impact Day  
Service opportunities  
State championship caliber athletic program

**Family Involvement**

Extended care  
Extended library hours  
International student program  
Summer activities to foster community building  
School guidance programs  
Tuition assistance workshops  
Volunteer opportunities available through Parent Service Cru
Arts

2 school-sponsored student film festivals
Choir festivals and fairs
Drumline
Fall movie production
Fall/winter/spring choir and band concerts
High school worship team
International choir travel
Regional/All State band opportunities
Spring drama production
Weekly fine arts classes

Athletics

3A conference member (AIA) starting 2016-2017
27 sports offered each year
35 state champions since 1988
Competitive athletics 1st - 12th grade

Clubs

Adventure Cru
Ambassadors
As You Wish (art)
Barnabus Club (service club)
Bowling
Cheer
Chess
Christian Warriors (martial arts)
Cub Scouts
Drama
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
Flag Football
Girl Scouts
Golf
Guitar
Jazz Band
Junior Achievement
Junior Crusaders Athletics
Math
Missions
Musical Conservatory
Musical Theater
Movie Production
National Elementary Honor Society
National Honor Society
National Junior Honor Society
National League of Junior Cotillions
National Youth Arts
Performing Arts
Robotics
Student Council
Speech
Sportsball
Worship Team

Facilities

Art classrooms
Baseball field
Basketball/Volleyball courts
Computer labs
Football/Soccer field
Gymnasium

Library
Music classrooms
Science labs
Softball field
Weight room

Technology

Integrated iPad environment
Library Resource Center with computer commons
Mobile iPad Carts
Projectors, Apple TVs, speakers in classrooms
Technology-enhanced accelerated learning
Technology-use classes
Two computer labs
EARLY EDUCATION

Early education provides a critical step for both children and parents, introducing the school place and educational ideas in a developmentally appropriate environment. The flexible early education programs at NCS provide families with options to fit children at all levels of readiness for schooling.

Mini Crusaders

A first school experience for young children, Mini Crusaders provides structured care for infants and toddlers in a Christ-centered environment. MC is ideal for parents who want to introduce their children to a scheduled program of education among their peers, and frequency of attendance can be customized for each child. Children with experience in MC are well equipped to enter preschool. A typical day includes:

- Art and science exploration
- Lunch and nap time
- Manipulative exploration
- Outside play and buggy walks
- Snack and group time
- Thematic play

Preschool

NCS Preschool is a safe, loving place in which a child can begin to learn in earnest. Students are given encouragement based on their abilities and accomplishments, as well as freedom to solve problems and observe the results of their decisions and develop critical thinking skills.

All of the loving preschool staff are experienced and trained as well as qualified through DPS background check and fingerprinting. They take great joy in assisting young students in early reading, art, technology, math, and social concepts. They also provide an open environment for students to experience group relationships, preparing children for future educational experiences.

Preschool is offered for 3 year olds through PreK. Two, three, and five day programs are offered in order to allow maximum flexibility for each family.
NCS offers an academically rich and rigorous program for students in grades K – 5. The curriculum offers foundational strength in phonics with Orton Gillingham leading to competency and fluency in reading throughout the grade levels. The mathematics program aligns with Stanford 10 and ACT Aspire standards providing day to day application and proficiency with math functions. Write From the Beginning has provided a foundational system for the writing process with opportunities to write daily. Science and Social Studies are taught throughout the year as students get to see God’s hand in creation and history. Children study the Bible every day as teachers provide opportunities to talk about a Christian worldview and biblical integration in every content area. Chapel is a highlight each week as students, teachers and guests focus on character development and spiritual formation as they worship and learn together. Qualified students are invited to participate in the National Elementary Honor Society which recognizes academic achievement and character. Additionally there are weekly classes in technology, music, library science and internet safety, Spanish, art and physical education. 3rd grade families are invited to participate in an annual science trip to San Diego. 5th graders may participate in beginning band, experience an outdoor education camp and learn economics through Biztown with Junior Achievement.

Technology integration increases each year in the elementary program. Each classroom is equipped with computers for student research, skill development and content application in math, reading, science and social studies. Accelerated Reading as well as IXL and VMath provide integration curriculum programs for students to get reinforcement and challenge in reading and math. Ipads, projectors, document cameras, digital microscopes and transponders are used regularly throughout the elementary program to enhance learning.
NCS middle school is comprised of grades 6 through 8 and has high academic expectations as well as biblical integration in daily study and required Bible classes. Community involvement is emphasized as students become critical thinkers who will affect change in our world, and the mechanics and responsibilities for this involvement are addressed. In addition to the traditional subject areas, a variety of electives are offered at each level, including physical education, Spanish, French, photography, technology, drama, art, choir, band, and yearbook. Accelerated classes include math, Spanish, and Band. Students have the opportunity to participate in Student Council, National Junior Honor Society, and several mission trips.
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High School programs at NCS are integrated with biblical principles to aid students in the development of a Christian worldview. In addition to the traditional subject areas, a variety of electives are offered at each level including computer instruction, foreign language, speech, art, physical education, weight-lifting, choir, band, yearbook, sports medicine, drama, fire science, speech and Bible electives. Juniors and Seniors may also choose to take such electives as psychology, history and the cinema, historical simulations, and forensics. Daily Bible classes are taught, where teachers strive to develop a solid foundation of biblical truth.
Academics

- 20 Honors courses
- ACT ASPIRE, ACT and PSAT/NMSQT
- Arizona Career Information System (AzCIS)
- College prep, planning, and guidance
- Dual enrollment for college credit
- Ideal student to teacher ratios
- SAT/ACT scores above state and national averages

Athletics

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cheer
- Cross Country
- Golf
- Football
- Soccer
- Softball
- Tennis
- Track
- Volleyball
- Wrestling

Technology

- 1:1 Initiative – student iPads
- Classroom projectors and AppleTVs
- Computer lab
- Computer programming
- Mobile laptop and iPad carts
- Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint classes
- Photography and photo editing labs
- Teacher iPads

Arts

- Band
- Choir
- Drama class
- Film making class
- Fine art studies
- Music/drama production
- Musical
- Photo club
- Worship team

Clubs

- Adventure Cru
- Ambassadors
- Book clubs
- Bowling
- Chemistry
- Chess
- Drama
- FCA
- National Honor Society
- Robotics
- Speech
- Student Council
- Worship team
Northwest Christian School guides students to develop critical thinking skills with the potential to become difference makers who impact change in their community and the larger world. NCS provides a biblically-based atmosphere, fostering a Christian worldview which prepares students for godly roles in home, church, country, and the world. Students participate in weekly chapel, with a student led worship team and engaging speakers.

Starting in Preschool, students have the opportunity to serve the community in small but mighty ways, developing an early understanding of what it means to offer Him our best with joyful hearts. Elementary grades each take on an organization as their Service Learning Partner for the year, and Middle School students participate in several service projects throughout the year. High School students are involved in a quarterly service project where they go out and serve while being examples of Christ.

Every spring, Northwest students perform in a musical, play production, or a talent show. Both middle school and high school students may also take band and/or choir as an elective and perform in concerts, both at Northwest and in competition with other schools. Another elective that may be chosen is a yearbook class. Students are responsible for photographing Northwest functions and assembling the current yearbook.

There is always something exciting going on at Northwest, whether it’s a sporting event, Rodeo Day for the preschoolers, or an all school pep assembly. Northwest is full of extracurricular activities that go on throughout the week and bring students together.
There are more than 50 organizations that provide tuition assistance for families seeking a Christian education at NCS. Contact the Admissions or Finance office for more information on the following tuition grants and scholarships.

Questions? Contact our Admissions Director at 602-978-5134

northwestchristianschool.org
In 1980, through the efforts of parents and Northwest Community Church, Northwest Christian School was established and has grown to become an independent organization and the largest Christian school in Arizona, serving over 1500 students in preschool-12th grade.

Excellence in academics is recognized by AdvancED and the Association of Christian Schools International, and biblical integration in all areas continues to be a priority. The faculty is committed to honoring Christ in their teaching and relationships with students. Parents especially appreciate the family atmosphere and caring environment at Northwest, where values of a Christian home and parents are central in the training of their children for the future.

The purpose of Northwest Christian School is to provide an educational program which upholds a standard of scholastic and behavioral excellence, furnishes instruction in biblically-based Christian faith which enables students to develop a Christian world view, and prepares students to fulfill their God-ordained role in the home, the church, their country, and the world.