

VALLEY FORGE BAPTIST ACADEMY

OBJECTIVES

The educational and Spiritual objectives of Valley Forge Baptist Academy are divided into four categories: Student's Spiritual and Moral Growth, Personal and Social Development, Academic Advancement, and the school's responsibility to the entire family from which the student is raised.

I. **Student's Spiritual and Moral Growth, the school seeks:**

- A. To teach the Bible as God's inspired Word and to develop attitudes of love and respect towards it.
- B. To teach the basic doctrines of the Bible.
- C. To lead the student to a decision of confessing Jesus Christ as his Savior and Lord.
- D. To develop a desire to know and obey the will of God as revealed in the Scripture.
- E. To equip the student to carry out the will of God daily.
- F. To impart an understanding of each Christian's place in the local church and its worldwide task of witnessing, evangelism and discipling, and to stimulate the students' involvement in this task.
- G. To develop the mind of Christ toward Godliness and sin and to teach the students how to overcome sin.
- H. To encourage the development of self-discipline and responsibility in the student based on respect for and submission to all authority.
- I. To help the student develop for himself a Christian outlook on life by integrating life and studies with the Bible.

II. **Student's Personal and Social Development, the school aims:**

- A. To help the student develop his personality based on a proper understanding and acceptance of himself as a unique individual created in the image of God and on the fullest possible development of his own capabilities.
- B. To teach the students to treat everyone with love and respect since they, too, are made in the image of God.
- C. To make the student a contributing member of his society, realizing his dependence on others and their dependence on him and the need to serve them.
- D. To promote an understanding of time as a God-given commodity and the individual responsibility for effective use of time.
- E. To show a realistic and Biblical outlook on life and work, and to provide skills for personal relationships and future endeavors.
- F. To develop both good and proper attitudes toward dating, marriage, and the family, and to understand the skills needed to establish God-honoring homes.

OVER

- G. To promote physical fitness, good health habits, and wise use of the body as the temple of God.
- H. To impart the Biblical attitudes toward material things and to encourage individual responsibility of using them for God's glory.

III. **Student's Academic Advancement, the school endeavors:**

- A. 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.
- B. 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.
- C. To teach and encourage the use of good study habits.
- D. To teach the student how to do independent research and to reason logically.
- E. To motivate the student to pursue independent study in areas of personal interest.
- F. To develop creative and critical thinking and proper use of Biblical criteria for evaluation.
- G. 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.
- H. To discuss current events in all fields and relate them to God's plan for man.
- I. To produce an understanding and appreciation for God's world, and awareness of man's role in his environment and his God-given responsibilities to use and preserve it properly.
- J. To foster an appreciation of the fine arts through the development of the student's understanding and personal expression.

IV. **School's Responsibility to the home from which the student is raised, the school desires:**

- A. To cooperate closely with the parents in every phase of the student's development, especially as it relates to the school program.
- B. To help the parents understand the school's purpose and program.
- C. To aid families in Christian growth and to help them develop Christ-centered homes.
- D. To encourage regular attendance and involvement in the local church.

VFBA does not discriminate in admissions or administration of programs on the basis or race, color, national or ethnic origin.