



# **Alpha & Omega Christian Academy**

*“Reaching our world with wise generations”*

July 8, 2011

Dear Parents and Students:

It is my pleasure to welcome you to Alpha and Omega Christian Academy, where our purpose is to provide an opportunity for students to study in a Christ-centered academic environment. Like many other discerning parents today, you are to be applauded for fulfilling your God-given responsibility to seek out the best educational opportunities for your children.

One of the top reasons for the existence of Christ-like schools is to provide an education that is effective in the spiritual development of its students. Understandably, spiritual formation is a deliberate and intentional plan advanced by each believer to stimulate continual growth throughout one's lifetime.

Kingdom Education, the philosophy at Alpha & Omega Christian Academy, focuses on bringing the home, church, and school into a partnership for the purpose of training the next generation. Kingdom Education is defined as the life-long, Bible-based, Christ-centered process of leading a child into a new identity with Christ, developing a child according to his/her specific abilities given to him by Christ, so that a child would be empowered to live a life characterized by love, trust, and obedience to Christ.

This spiritual development plan should include a rigorous academic program. Thankfully, God has provided in Scripture the product that all Christian schools should endeavor to produce. Daniel, of the Old Testament, was unequivocally superior in his professional and academic training background and infiltrated the marketplace of secular mainstream society successfully. He did this without compromising his fundamental convictions of serving a holy God. All this to say, advancing a deliberate plan of spiritual development also requires a specific plan for cultivating wise believers who can articulate their worldview in a marketplace full of opposing ideas and ideology.

It is most exciting to be a part of a vision and committed plan that has an eye on the next generation...

*If your vision is for a year, plant wheat.  
If your vision is for ten years, plant trees.  
If your vision is for a lifetime, plant people.*

We are in the ministry of planting people. What an honor it is to partner with you as we "plant" in the heart and mind of your child.

Welcome to a great **2011-2012** school year at AOCA!

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Enclosed you will find our annual calendar. You will also find August calendar, lunch menu and supplies list. With this in mind, we ask that you mark your calendar for our first day of school, **Wednesday, August 17, 2011**. Classes will begin at **8:00 a.m.**; students are expected to arrive on time. You may also stay connected with us by logging on our web page [www.centrocristiano.org](http://www.centrocristiano.org) and click to **Academy**. By doing so, you will find our monthly newsletter, calendars and other important information. Daily news will always be posted on [www.twitter.com/AOCAHouston](http://www.twitter.com/AOCAHouston); you can follow us without having a twitter account.

Registration, curriculum fees and August tuition are due **August 1**. To avoid late fees, payments must be received by **Friday, August 5**.

It is important that you are aware that your financial responsibilities go beyond your tuition payments. Therefore, every family is required to participate in **ALL** fundraising activities. There are **four** specific fundraisers planned for the school year that will be used to satisfy a family's fundraising obligation. Please check our annual calendar for the specific dates.

**New Student/Parent Orientation** is scheduled **Monday, August 15, at 10:00 a.m.** It is imperative that all **new** students and parents attend.

ALL new and returning students, regardless of grade, **MUST HAVE** a new TB test, and all immunizations must be up to date! Immunization records must be turned in to the school office **by September 7<sup>th</sup>** or students will be held from classes **on September 8<sup>th</sup>**.

Sometime in November students in grades K4-12<sup>th</sup> **MUST** have a hearing and vision screening performed here in school. The cost is of **\$18.00** and **MUST** be paid before **November 1, 2011**. The cost for the **Stanford Achievement Test** is **\$35.00** and may be paid at the beginning of the school year or in March.

**Mills Wear** will continue being our uniform provider. Please make plans to purchase uniforms in a timely manner. Please be reminded that the **complete** uniform must be purchased at Mills Wear (**pants purchased at other stores are not allowed**). Uniform vests must be worn on Wednesday. Our school code with Mills Wear is **#633**. You may also purchase uniforms online by logging on [www.millswear.com](http://www.millswear.com)  
NOTE: **Torn or faded uniforms will not be permitted.**

Our school's annual Open House is scheduled for **Friday, August 26, at 6:00 p.m.** Plans for that evening are a Family Dinner. You can call our office and reserve now! Please make plans to attend and cooperate by purchasing a dinner ticket. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend!

We look forward to your involvement and support this coming school year! As **PARTNERS**, your feedback, suggestions and comments are welcomed. If you have any questions, feel free to call our office.

Sincerely,

*Mrs. María A. Peña*

*Principal*