The Lakeland Christian School Discovery Program is an educational program for students with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) or a related disorder characterized by similar traits as ASD who require a modified academic setting. The Discovery Program consists of three classrooms with specific curriculum and daily activities designed for students with a diagnosis of ASD.

Why LCS?

Sharpening Minds, Shepherding Hearts

Lakeland Christian School is one of the nation's premier private Christian schools. We strive to provide challenging academics, championship athletics and award-winning fine arts. Our primary distinction, though, is the Biblical worldview that permeates every facet of school life. LCS truly sharpens minds and shepherds hearts by offering a life-shaping education in the light of God's Word.

Learn More

For more information about the Discovery Program at Lakeland Christian School, please visit our website: lcsonline.org/discovery-program

Find Out About:

Admissions Process
Tuition Information
Scholarship Information
Field Trips/Special Events
Annual School Schedule
Meet Our Teachers

If you have further questions about the Lakeland Christian School Discovery Program, please contact Mrs. Luci O'Byrne, Elementary Principal: lobyrne@lcsonline.org



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Discovery Program

Lakeland Christian School 2023-2024



About the LCS Discovery Program

Our mission is to provide individualized education with the goal of teaching the whole child in the light of God's Word. Small group instruction is given based on your child's individual needs in reading and math. Each child will receive an IEP written by the Discovery teachers driven by data from nationally normed assessments and personal interactions with the student. An annual meeting will be held to discuss student needs and appropriate goals.

By the second semester of a child's fifth-grade year, students are assessed to determine the appropriate next step for the middle school years.

°Children in the Discovery Program must be non-aggressive, non-eloping, and be able to work or play for a developmentally-appropriate amount of time as determined by the Discovery Program team. They must be able to complete all toileting needs independently. Parent partnership is important to help foster growth.





- Offered for grades K4-5th° (°age appropriateness is based on the discretion of the administration)
- O Small Group Instruction
- O State Certified Teachers with ESE certification
- O Comprehensive Curriculum with tiered interventions
- O Academic Focus in the Following Areas:
 - OReading, Math, Writing, Social Studies and Science
 - OIndependent Functioning
 - Communication
 - OSocial Skills
- O Inclusion Opportunities/Inclusion Paraprofessional Based on Student Needs
- O Family Empowerment Scholarship (FES-UA) Accepted
- O Financial Aid Available
- Speech/Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy Available
- O Sensory Room Available Based on Student Needs



Program Levels

Level 1

The child is able to participate in all academics and Specials held in the general education classroom independently. Sensory breaks will be provided as needed. The Discovery teacher will meet with the team of teachers to assure the child is meeting/exceeding goals. The Discovery teacher and classroom teacher will develop and maintain the IEP. The child may attend a social skills class in Discovery if needed. Occupational and Speech / Language therapies are available on campus. \$20,300

Level 2

The child will receive a customized academic schedule which will include time spent in both the Discovery classroom and the general education classroom. The child will receive instruction in the Discovery classroom for either Math OR Reading and participate in all of the Specials (P.E., Art, Music, Recess, Chapel, and Library) with their general education class without the support of a paraprofessional. The child may attend a social skills class in Discovery if needed. Occupational and Speech / Language therapies are available on campus. \$23,200

Level 3

The child will receive language arts and math instruction in the Discovery classroom. The child is able to engage in a lesson in a general education setting for other subjects without causing disruptions. They will also participate in all of the Specials (P.E., Art, Music, Recess, Chapel, and Library) with their general education class. Occupational and Speech / Language therapies are available on campus. \$26,100

Level 4

The child will receive all academic instruction in the Discovery classroom. The student will attend some or all of the Specials (P.E., Art, Music, Recess, Chapel, and Library) depending on what is appropriate for the child and if the child is ready to do so. The paraprofessional is able to provide support at Specials. Occupational and Speech / Language therapies are available on campus. \$29,000