Harvest Christian Academy FAQ: 2021-2022 School Year Relocation

As HCA excitedly announces the relocation of the main campus from Watauga to Keller, these answers to frequently asked questions will continue to provide information to the greater HCA community. HCA, You Belong Here!

1. Who is HCA and why are they moving?

- a. HCA is an accredited, private, Christian school established in 1994 in Watauga by Harvest Baptist Church. HCA has served north Tarrant county for 27 years. In 2007, HCA became an independent, 501(c)(3), non-profit, Texas corporation. HCA will continue its current organizational structure and Biblical focus.
- b. HCA is relocating for several reasons. First, the strategic plan launched in 2018 established the need to evaluate the long term viability of the current campus location. This strategic review identified Keller as the best location to continue the ministry for years to come. Second, the majority of families that attend HCA live north of the current campus. As the population of families with children continues to grow north, HCA needs to reposition to serve them. Last, HCA leases space and does not own its current campus property. The current campus location is not available for HCA to lease after the current school year.

2. Where will HCA be located for the 2021-22 school year?

a. HCA is relocating to the campus of FBC Keller at 225 Keller Parkway, Keller, TX 76248.

3. When will the relocation occur?

a. HCA will complete all educational services for the 2020-2021 school year at its current location through May 31, 2021. During the month of June the relocation will occur. The plan is to have offices operational at this new address on July 1, 2021. The new school year will launch on time in August 2021 at the new campus location in Keller.

4. How will this move occur so quickly?

a. HCA has prayerfully followed the Lord's lead in researching the future home of the Saints. Therefore, HCA began planning for this day long ago. Now that God has opened this partnership with FBC Keller, the logistical portion of the move is being planned and prepared. HCA will provide full educational and co-curricular services through May 31, 2021. During the month of June, HCA will move items and reestablish classrooms and offices in Keller.

5. Will the school name change?

a. HCA will proudly retain the name Harvest Christian Academy. School colors and the Saints mascot will also remain.

6. Will the school remain independent or be owned by FBC Keller?

a. Since 2007, HCA has been incorporated as an independent, 501(c)3, Texas corporation. This status will not change. FBC Keller is graciously leasing HCA space, but has no desire to own or operate a school. HCA and FBC are two separate organizations that are partnering together in ministry.

7. Will HCA still have a school board and be accredited?

a. Yes, HCA will continue to operate under the governance of the current school board and retain full accreditation status with the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI). HCA has been continuously accredited by ACSI since 1997.

8. With this move, will HCA's educational focus change?

a. No. HCA is committed to providing Kingdom Education, which is a title for Christian education from a Biblical Worldview. HCA's mission, vision, core values, and quality, Christ-centered academic programs will continue in their current strong state.

9. Will HCA provide all of its current services at the new location?

a. HCA will continue all of its current K-12 educational and co-curricular services. However, HCA will no longer operate a State licensed preschool program. FBC Keller already has a robust preschool program. Therefore, HCA will discontinue preschool services on May 31, 2021. HCA will continue providing before and after school care for school age children at the new location.

10. What about Fine Arts and Athletics?

a. Our incredible directors of Fine Arts and Athletics, Mrs. Kate Oxley and Coach Perry Myers, will continue to lead and provide the exciting programs which they have developed for the Saints.

11. What about the Learning Enrichment Program?

a. Under the awesome direction of Mrs. Alisha Nicolello, HCA will continue to provide both Academic Support and Gifted and Talented. These programs have served our students well for the past eight years.

12. Will HCA tuition increase because of this relocation?

a. No. The School Board has voted to freeze the current tuition for at least one year. Typically, HCA only implements a cost of living increase annually. However, this new location will not increase HCA's annual operating expense.

13. Will there be additional cost associated with the move?

a. Yes. Like with any family or business relocation, there are costs associated with moving and reestablishing in a new location. If you, or someone you know, feels led to help with these costs, please contact the Headmaster, Mr. Terry Caywood. Kingdom Education is vitally important.

14. Have final decisions been made on athletic facilities?

a. FBC Keller has a gym, so all practices and PE will occur onsite. HCA also has the opportunity to develop practice fields onsite for outdoor sports. Game courts and fields are still under review, HCA is currently working with KISD to rent space for games.

15. How far is the new location from the current HCA location?

a. It is 4.3 miles and 11 minutes north.

16. What facilities will we have available at the new location?

- a. Practice Gym
- b. Cafeteria/Meeting Room
- c. Full Kitchen as needed
- d. Large Loft for chapel
- e. Large classrooms for K-12 on the second floor of the main building

- f. Office areas for administration
- g. Plenty of parking and student drop-off locations
- h. Secure building with cameras
- i. Auditorium for special events such as graduation and orientation
- j. Outdoor playground and recess area
- k. Outdoor practice fields

17. Why is FBC Keller a good fit for HCA?

a. There are several reasons this is a good ministry partnership. First, the location is in the center of the bullseye of HCA research. Second, there is an agreement in our statements of faith and Biblical Worldview. In addition, both HCA and FBC desire to reach the community with Christian education.