

## ACSI Academic Day FAQs for Parents - 2016

### **Q: What is Academic Day?**

A: The ACSI Academic Day is an all-day, annual event. Students from all grade levels representing Christian schools from the state of West Virginia come together for a variety of competitions, including an Art Festival, Math by Mail, Music Festival, Science Fair, Social Studies and Speech Meets.

### **Q: Where does the event take place?**

A: The location of the event varies from year to year. **Teays Valley Christian** (Teays Valley, WV) will host Academic Day this year on **April 22, 2016**.

### **Q: Why is Academic Day significant?**

A: Academic Day activities are planned to impact the educational and spiritual growth of each student, encouraging them in excellence and to be a testimony to the gospel of Jesus Christ. Each event also seeks to provide the opportunity for Christian fellowship and positive interaction between students and teachers of participating schools. Academic Day is another opportunity for Trinity Christian School students to explore and develop the gifts and talents that God has given them.

### **Q: How are students chosen to participate and is there a fee?**

A: Preliminary activities take place after the beginning of the calendar year and vary according to grade level and category (see below). A student may enter no more than three (3) events. *There is a small entry fee for each individual event, for which the student's family is responsible.*

- **Art:** *(Grades K-12)* Art teachers select work throughout the year to send to the host school for judging. A student may not enter more than two (2) items. Students do not need to attend Academic Day to participate in the Art Festival.
- **Math Olympics by Mail:** *(Grades 3-8)* Students are tested in their TCS classroom in either Computation or Reasoning prior to Academic Day. Students do not need to attend Academic Day to participate in the Math by Mail competition.
- **Music:** *(Grades 3-12)* Soloists must have a minimum of two (2) years of private lessons to enter—either vocal or instrumental. In addition, large groups will perform, including the bands, choir, and worship team.
- **Science:** *(Grades 1-12)* Students compete in the TCS science fair to qualify.

Entries are limited to two (2) projects per grade.

- **Social Studies:** (*Grades 4-12*) Students compete in the TCS social studies fair to qualify. Entries are limited to two (2) projects per grade.
- **Speech:** (*Grades 1-12*) Students are selected through preliminary competitions held in the classrooms. A student may participate in no more than two (2) categories.

**Q: Is attendance mandatory?**

Students participating in Music, Science, Social Studies and Speech are required to attend.

**Q: Is there a cost involved?**

Parents are responsible for the entry fees, transportation, lodging, and food.

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