

PROGRAM INFORMATION | 2023/24

# Program Particulars

The Living Education-Charlotte program is for students seeking to build a more thorough understanding of a Godly way of life, along with other like-minded young adults. Our goal is to create a culture of purity and inspire a courageous, faithful dedication to God, based on a solid understanding of His Word. Our Student Leaders provide mentorship and leadership for the newer students, while continuing to build their foundation in the Word of God.

### Core Curriculum

Our core curriculum is comprised of the following building blocks:

- The Life and Teachings of Jesus Christ
- The Epistles of Paul
- Principles of Christian Leadership
- Introduction to Prophecy
- Biblical Communication

In addition, a wide variety of topics are addressed in our weekly seminar-style Forums and Assemblies by guest instructors.

#### Calendar

The 2023-24 academic year runs for approximately 9 months, from August 21, 2023 to May 17, 2024. See the academic calendar for details.

## Expectations

Student Leaders attend daily classes at the Living Church of God headquarters facility. The classes may be either in the morning or the afternoon, and Work-Study duties will be arranged to accommodate the class schedule. In addition, they will participate in all LivingEd-Charlotte social activities, providing leadership and encouragement for the newer students.

Similar to the first-year, students should be prepared to exercise independent life skills. They'll be required to manage their personal finances and budgeting. Cleaning, laundry, shopping, and cooking are part of daily life for our students, and everyone is expected to work together to create a peaceful, harmonious environment. In fact, part of the expectation of these students is that they will provide

examples and encouragement to the newer students as to how to effectively go about the daily details of life. In addition, student leaders will be expected to assist the program director in organizing and facilitating student activities, as well as filling leadership roles in the program.

## Housing

Student housing is shared with the first-year students. Our Resident Assistants (both male and female) will come from our pool of Student Leaders. All students are required to live in this Church-provided student housing. Student leaders are expected to spend a preponderance of their time at the dorm with the other students.

# Work Study

Student Leaders will participate in part-time student work-study employment. These jobs help students offset the cost of their room and board. These work-study positions require a commitment of 20 hours per week as well as a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5. The work-study position offered and the wage will be dictated by a Student-Leader's skill, expertise and work performance.

#### Costs

#### Program Fee (\$150 per month)

While our program does not charge tuition for classes, this program fee helps to defray the cost of the church-provided housing, utilities, internet, activities, and a variety of other associated costs to provide the framework in which to learn. This fee is assessed at the beginning of each month, with the **required \$150 deposit (due July 1, 2023)** applying toward the first of nine payments for the program. For more details, see the Program Fee Schedule and Agreement.

### Textbooks \$150-250 (estimated for both semesters)

For our courses, students must have a Bible in addition to their textbooks. The recommended version is the New King James edition of the Bible (NKJ). In addition, all students need to acquire the textbooks required for their courses. A student may use any vendor to purchase their textbooks, including Amazon, Christian Book, Barnes and Noble online, or their local bookstore.

#### Additional Costs

All on-site students should have a personal laptop computer. Both the accommodations and classroom areas have wireless internet access. Groceries and any personal items are the responsibility of each student. No food service is provided by Living Education, but there is a full kitchen in each of the housing units. If necessary, transportation will be provided to and from the classroom facilities. If a student wishes to use his or her own vehicle, then gasoline, insurance, and maintenance costs would need to be considered carefully. Estimated reasonable expenses for on-site students living in cooperative housing at Charlotte are provided in the following budget **covering an academic year of two semesters (approximately nine months)** as follows:



Required Costs		Estimated Additional Costs	
Program Fee	\$ 1,350	Groceries & Personal Items	\$ 2,500
Books and Supplies	\$ 150	Entertainment & Miscellaneous	\$ 400
TOTAL REQUIRED:	\$1,500	TOTAL ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL:	\$2,900
Total for Academic Year	4,400		

# **Beyond Academics**

Living Education-Charlotte is a rich learning environment designed to help students build strong biblical foundations, deep personal relationships with Jesus Christ and God the Father, stronger social skills, and a well-rounded perspective on life. Because of this, students are expected to participate in additional activities. Participation in these activities is required as they are considered to be part of the learning experience. Here is a sample of the types of activities which the students are involved in at Living Education:

- All students participate in a weekly <u>Friday Evening Group Dinner</u> with students, ministerial, and congregational guests. This dinner is prepared and hosted by different students each week.
   Students are given a budget and basic guidelines from which to operate.
- Men are required to participate in <u>Spokesman Club</u> while Ladies participate in <u>Women's Club</u>.
- All students are encouraged to participate in weekly or bi-weekly <u>music lessons</u> that can range from singing to instrumental training.
- <u>Field Trips:</u> All students participate in field trips to various destinations. These field trips are
  designed to increase fellowship and camaraderie. They also provide an opportunity to learn
  more about local points of interest, experience a variety of cultural events, and enjoy
  recreational opportunities. Past field trips have included: attendance at performing arts
  concerts, outreach work at a local food bank, travel to the historic Charleston, SC and a visit to
  Fort Sumter, visits to museums, pool parties, hikes in the NC mountains and more.
- <u>Local congregational activities/service opportunities:</u> Students often participate in other informal group activities and opportunities provided by the Charlotte, NC congregation.



### Admissions

Admission is selective and based upon evidence of intellectual promise, strong personal qualifications, good moral and ethical character, and marked by a desire to be an effective servant leader. All applicants seeking admission for study at Charlotte should complete the steps below.

- □ Submit a completed **online application** and pay the required **application fee** (\$25). Acceptance decisions are scheduled to be made beginning **February 1**<sup>st</sup>.
- ☐ Sign and submit the **Enrollment Agreement**.

  Agreement acknowledges adherence to a standard Code of Honor.
- □ Upload current **driver's license or ID** to your online application to verify your identity.
- □ Complete 500-word **Essay** titled "How I will strengthen the LivingEd-Charlotte Team". See Populi Application for requirements.
- □ Provide a **recent photograph** of yourself for your student profile.

Your photo must be:

- o In color (no filters)
- o Taken in an unobstructed full-face view directly facing the camera with both eyes open (no hats accepted)
- o Taken within the last 6 months to reflect your current appearance
- o Taken in front of a non-distracting background
- o If you normally wear prescription glasses they should be worn for your photo (no sunglasses accepted)
- o Submitted as attachment to online application or a jpg file to <a href="mailto:rross@lcg.org">rross@lcg.org</a>
- □ Provide **two recommendations** from the following people (non-relatives):
  - 1. Living Education Faculty
  - 2. LCG Department Head

All references should be completed online by chosen recommenders (links provided in online application).

Complete the Student Leader Application Assessment.
 Invitation links for online assessments will be sent after online application is complete.



# **Contact Information**

Website More information about our program can be found at our website: <a href="lcgeducation.org/charlotte">lcgeducation.org/charlotte</a>

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