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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for your interest in enrolling your child in the **READY** Academy Christian School. Enclosed please find forms necessary for **complete registration**. Please complete and return all forms as soon as possible. If you have not paid your Fall Registration fee please include with these forms, as it is required to secure a seat for your child. **A seat is not officially reserved until ALL Registration Forms and Fees are received. All fees except registration may be paid in bi-weekly installments during the months of: June-July-August**

Parents are required to complete a Fall Registration packet for each child registering for the fall school year.

The following forms are required and must be submitted BEFORE child can attend school:

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| (1) Registration Emergency Contact/Authorizations __ | (7) Birth Certificate __ |
| (2) Financial Payment & Attendance Policy __ | (8) Social Security card __ |
| (3) Medical Information __ | (9) *Health Form/Shot Record __ |
| (4) Student Information __ | (10) Proof of Address __ |
| (5) Participation/Travel/Walk Permission __ | |
| (6) Release Form __ | |

*** Physical must have been completed within the past 12 months.**

IMPORTANT NOTE: Included in this packet is the **Required Summer Reading List** for your child. Please assist your child with this assignment, (i.e. library visit). **It is not optional and is due on the Friday of their first week of school.** Also plan to enjoy the additional Recommended Readings together.

Parent Orientation will be held on, Saturday, August 27, 2011, 10am-11am in the Murray Center. **All New and Returning Parents are encouraged to attend.** (Children are encouraged to enjoy the extra sleep at home).

You may contact us via telephone (757) 622-5650, fax (757) 622-5653, or our website at **readyacademy.org**.

Again, thank you for your interest in our **READY** Academy Fall School program and we look forward to a rewarding school year for you and your child.

Yours in GOD's Purpose,

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NAME OF STUDENT: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

HOME ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____

EMERGENCY INFORMATION
School Year _____

Please notify the school if there is a change in your address or telephone number.

In case of an emergency, who should be contacted? Please list in order preference for School to call (i.e. #1 being the first to call, #3 being the third to call, etc.,)

1. Name _____ Relationship _____

Daytime Telephone _____

2. Name _____ Relationship _____

Daytime Telephone _____

3. Name _____ Relationship _____

Daytime Telephone _____

4. Name _____ Relationship _____

Daytime Telephone _____

5. Name _____ Relationship _____

Daytime Telephone _____

* If you have any other children attending this school, please list their names below.

Additional persons (**not** listed above) who can pick up my child without the school contacting me first:

**** Persons not authorized to pick up child:**

** Appropriate paperwork (such as divorce/custody agreement), **must** be submitted if a parent is **not** authorized to pick up the child.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

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READY ACADEMY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

MEDICAL INFORMATION

NAME OF STUDENT: _____
(last) (first) (middle)

Physician's Name: _____

Physician's Phone #: _____ Hospital/Clinic Preference: _____

Date of Last Tetanus Immunization: _____ Allergies: _____

Date of Last Tuberculin Skin Test (PPD) _____ Positive _____ Negative _____

Medical Conditions: _____ Medications: _____

Has child been diagnosed for learning disabilities? ___ Yes* ___ No

Does the child have any academic weaknesses? ___ Yes* ___ No

Does the child have any special fears or problems? ___ Yes* ___ No

***Note: The READY Academy/Camp does not provide Special Education Services.
If either of the above questions received a YES answer please explain on the Student
Information Form on the "Other Information" lines.**

MEDICAL AUTHORIZATIONS

When notified of child's illness, the parent/legal guardian agrees to pick up the child from the READY Academy/Camp as soon as possible. The parent/legal guardian gives the READY Academy/Camp permission to obtain immediate medical care for the child in case of serious injury or illness.

Signature of Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s)

Date

The READY Academy/Camp agrees to notify parent/legal guardian as soon as possible when child becomes ill.

Signature of Director/Administrator

Date

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
READY ACADEMY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
School Year _____**

**Student Information Form
For Teacher's Records**

Child's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Favorite Activities: _____

Favorite Toys: _____

Favorite Books: _____

Sleeping Habits: _____

Foods Liked: _____

Foods Not Liked: _____

Allergies? (Be Specific): _____

Fears: _____

Special Needs: _____

Other Information that may be helpful*: _____

***Note: Must include any conditions that received a YES on the Medical Information Form.**

Parent/Legal Guardian(s) Name(s) : _____

Parent/Legal Guardian(s) Occupation: _____

Telephone: Daytime _____ Evening _____

Area(s) of interest where Parent/Guardian(s) would like to volunteer: _____

Names and Ages of Siblings: _____

Language spoken at home: _____

Address: _____ City/Zip: _____

Date: _____

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
READY ACADEMY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
School Year _____

RELEASE FORM

STUDENT NAME: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Dear Parents,

Throughout the school year, your child/children will be participating in many school functions, such as school activities, field trips, Student of the Week, etc., wherein the school may take pictures of your child or his/her class. As a private school we reserve the right to display these pictures in the school and church. However, for outside positive reasons only* (i.e. Short Marketing Videos/Poster Displays) we need your permission. Please respond and sign below.

Please check **all** appropriate boxes below:

_____ **Yes**, You may use my child's picture(s) for positive, outside reasons.*

_____ **No**, You may not use my child's picture(s) for positive, outside reasons.*

_____ **Yes**, You may use my child's picture(s) for television viewing and/or newspaper publications.

_____ **No**, You may not use my child's picture(s) for television viewing/or newspaper publications.

_____ **Yes**, You may use my child's picture(s) on the READY/First Baptist websites.

_____ **No**, You may not use my child's picture(s) on the READY/First Baptist websites.

Please sign below:

_____ Date
Parent(s)/Guardian Signature

This "Release" is to be signed for the current school year. Thank you for your help in spreading the good news about First Baptist Church READY Academy Christian School.

Thank You,

Amanda B. Murray, Director

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
READY ACADEMY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
(Reaching Educationally Aspiring Dynamic Youth)
With a Special Emphasis in STEMA
(Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and the Arts)
2011-2012 School Year
Phone (757) 622-5650

GENERAL INFORMATION ENROLLMENT SHEET

1. Enrollment is open to children who will be age 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8 by September 30th.
2. The enrolled child must be toilet trained prior to enrollment.
3. Children are accepted irrespective of race, gender or religious affiliation.+
4. To be eligible for enrollment, parent **must** present the following at the time of registration:
 - a. Original Birth Certificate ++
 - b. Record of current Physical Examination completed by a physician
 - c. Up-to-date Immunization Records
 - d. Social Security Registration (number) ++
 - e. Proof of Address
 - f. Picture ID (for pick-up purposes)

++ Present Forms to Office Administrator for recording, not for copying.

*****ALL Fees except registration may be paid in bi-weekly installments during the months of: June-July-August*****

Special Notes:

-Tuition includes breakfast (7:00 a.m. – 7:15 a.m.), lunch and snack (3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p. m).

-School calendar will follow that of the Norfolk Public School System.

-The A-Beka Curriculum will be used for Christian Education and Academic Subjects.

***We accept personal check, credit/debit card, money order or cashier's check for tuition and fees. No cash accepted.**

+The READY Academy admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

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PHILOSOPHY

The First Baptist Church fosters Reaching Educationally Aspiring Dynamic Youth (READY). The READY Academy Christian School is committed to providing students with educational opportunities and academic challenges necessary to meet world-class standards. By emphasizing high expectations, academic rigor and student achievement, we will encourage students to become productive citizens and life-long learners in a diverse and global 21st century society. As part of our philosophy:

- The READY Academy will partner with parents and the community to promote the development of Christian values and high moral standards. *Proverbs 1:7*
- The educational curriculum will have a strong focus on academic achievement in science, technology, engineering, mathematics and the arts (STEMA). *Psalms 24:1, Isaiah 40:22*
- An academic emphasis on high level thinking skills, problem solving and decision-making will prepare students for life-long learning. *Psalms 139:14*

First Baptist Church has historically confronted the ills of the community and sought social justice for all. The READY Academy supports these accomplishments by promoting academic excellence and a belief in the importance of character and moral education, based on Christian values, as the foundation to confront the challenges of the world.

The Board of Education, administration, faculty and staff, in collaboration with parents and community, will provide a safe, nurturing and creative learning environment. Through the use of proven strategies and learning techniques and a special focus on issues of diversity that best support student learning, the READY Academy will have a positive impact on our children in a Christian setting.

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“Failure is not an option”, “Mediocrity is unacceptable” and “Excellence is our standard”

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DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

GIRLS: Chapel Day (Required on Mondays) – Yellow Blouse; Navy Blue Jumper, Skirt or Skort; Yellow or Navy Socks/Tights; Blue/Gold Plaid Cross Tie; and Black or Navy Blue Shoes with rubber soles.

Non-Chapel Days (Tuesday-Friday) – Any items from Uniform List can be worn, including pants. *Alternate Shoes: Plain Sneakers (Solid Black or Blue **Only**)

BOYS: Chapel Day (Required on Mondays) – Yellow Button-down Dress Shirt (short or long sleeved); Navy Blue Pants; Blue/Gold Plaid Tie; and Black or Navy Shoes with rubber soles.

Non-Chapel Days (Tuesday-Friday) – Any items from Uniform List can be worn, including Navy Blue shorts and Yellow Polo Shirts (short or long sleeved). *Alternate Shoes: Plain sneakers (Solid Black or Blue **Only**)

- No open toed or open back shoes are allowed at any time.
- **Elastic Belts and Velcro closures on shoes are requested for PK3 if possible.**
- In the classroom, if sweater is worn, it must be a Navy Blue Cardigan Sweater.
- **Female students must wear shorts under skirts/jumpers.**
- **Please be sure to put your child's name on the inside of all clothing. If they are not marked, we cannot return them.**

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STUDENT DRESS CODE

Girls Uniform

Navy Blue Jumpers
Navy Blue pleated or plain skirts
Navy Blue Skorts
Navy Blue Slacks
Yellow Blouses
3-Button Yellow Polo Style Shirts
Navy or Yellow Socks
Navy Blue or Yellow tights (only)
Navy Blue Cardigan Sweaters
*Black or Navy Blue Shoes with rubber soles
Blue/Gold Plaid Cross Tie

Alternate Shoes: Sneakers (Solid Black or Blue Only)
*Preferably shoes with Velcro closures for PK3

Boys Uniform

Navy Blue Long Pants
Navy Blue Shorts
Yellow Button-down Shirts
3-Button Yellow Polo Style Shirts
Navy Blue Socks
*Black or Navy Shoes with rubber soles
Blue/Gold Plaid Tie
Navy Blue Cardigan Sweaters

Alternate Shoes: Sneakers (Solid Black or Blue only)
*Preferably shoes with Velcro closures for PK3

Note: Uniforms can be purchased at “Rainbow For Kids” at Janaf Shopping Ctr in Norfolk or ordered from Frenchtoast.com on the internet or via telephone (1 800 373-6248). Please provide Frenchtoast School Source Code: QS5EVJM when ordering to earn funds for our school.

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SUPPLY LIST

**Grades PK3 and PK4
(unless otherwise noted)**

- 6 Jumbo wooden pencils (**no decorated pencils**)
- 2 medium sized washable glue sticks (**PK4 only**)
- 1 box of 24 Crayola crayons (**PK4 only**)
- 1 pair left or right handed Fiskars metal blade, plastic handle scissors
- 2 medium bottles of glue (**PK3 only**)
- 1 Jumbo box of Crayola crayons (**PK3 only**)
- 1 composition book (black & white) (**PK3 only**)
- 2 plastic pocket folders-plain-blue, yellow (**bottom pockets only**)
- 2 large boxes of Kleenex tissues
- 1 roll of paper towels
- 1 box each of quart sized and gallon sized Ziploc storage bags (5 bags minimum)
- * 1 change of clothes consisting of a complete READY uniform (including underwear) kept in a ziploc bag.
- 3 bottles of antibacterial liquid soap
- 1 box of baby (quality brand) wipes for the hands only
- * 1 blanket and sleeping mat in an extra large zippered plastic bag (for health purposes.)

**** READY Academy will supply a drawstring backpack with the school logo for the price of \$5.00****

Children must have all supplies by the end of the first week of school. These supplies will not go home during the school year so that your child will always be prepared for each day. **Please be sure to get exactly what is on the list.** We have specifically asked for these items because they work well for children of this age.

NOTE:

Please label with your child's full name on the personal items that are marked with an asterisk (*) only. These items are needed on the first day of school.

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SUPPLY LIST

**Grades K5 through 3rd
(unless otherwise noted)**

- 4 Packs of #2 pencils (**no mechanical pencils**)
- 6 medium sized washable glue sticks (**3 for 1st Grade**)
- 1 pair left or right handed Fiskars metal blade, plastic handle scissors
- *1 school supply box – standard size (**1st thru 3rd grades only**)
- 2 box Crayola classic color pencils (**full size, sharpened**) (**K5, 2nd & 3rd only**)
- 1 box Crayola washable large classic colored markers (**K5 & 1st grades only**)
- 1 box of Dry Erase or Whiteboard Crayons (**K5 & 1st grades only**)
- 1 box 24 pack Crayola crayons (**1st grade only**) -- **2 boxes for K5 only**
- Addition/Subtraction/Multiplication flash cards (**1st grade only**)
- 3 plastic pocket **folders with 3 ring clasps** – 1 blue, 1 yellow and 1 green (**bottom pockets only**)
- 2 large boxes of Kleenex tissues
- 1 roll of paper towels
- 1 box of quart sized ziploc storage bags
- 1 box of gallon sized Ziploc storage bags (**K5 & 1st grades only**)
- 2 large pink rectangular erasers (**K5 and 1st grade only**)
- 1 pack of erasers for #2 pencils
- 1 12 inch ruler
- 4 pack of wide ruled notebook paper (**2nd & 3rd only**)
- 4 Marble Composition Books (**2 for 2nd grade only**)
- * 1 change of clothes consisting of a complete READY uniform (including underwear) kept in a ziploc bag. (**K5 grade only**)
- 1 large container of baby wipes (**K5 only**)
- 4 packs of lined index cards 3 3/8 x 5/14 (**K5 only**)

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PASTOR'S VISION

The READY Academy Christian School, (Reaching Educationally Aspiring Dynamic Youth), is dedicated to preparing Christ-like children and youth, according to their ability, who will be spiritually, morally, academically, physically and socially **ready** to meet the challenges of the 21st century and beyond. *This is a school where “failure is not an option”, “mediocrity is unacceptable” and “excellence is our standard.”*

In addition to acquiring a solid foundation in the Bible, being challenged to achieve excellence in academics, and being nurtured in a loving and caring environment, these students will be intentionally exposed at an early age to the “exciting” world of science, technology, engineering, mathematics and the arts (STEMA).

“... Reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”

-Philippians 3:13b-14 NKJV

MISSION STATEMENT

Reaching Educationally Aspiring Dynamic Youth (READY) is the mission of the First Baptist Church. READY Academy Christian School is committed to providing a Christian foundation and quality education for children. In partnership with families and communities, the READY Academy will emphasize specialization in science, technology, engineering, mathematics and the arts (STEMA) to meet the individual, academic needs of each child.

The First Baptist Church READY Academy Christian School's Board of Education, administration, faculty and staff believe God has a purpose for each child and that all children can learn.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

The tenets of the school shall be the Word of God interpreted by the following *Purpose Driven* statements of faith:

- For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. – *Ephes. 2:10 (NIV)*
- Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others. – *Peter 4:10 (NIV)*
- So in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all others. – *Romans 12:5 (NIV)*
- Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. – *Mark 12:30 (NIV)*
- Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus. – *Philippians 2:5 (NIV)*
- Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. – *Colossians 4:5 (NIV)*