



MAYFLOWER[®] CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

International denominational school of the Free Churches of Austria

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for your interest in the *Mayflower Christian Academy*. We would like to provide you with an overview of the educational services we offer at our school, our objectives and our Christian background.

Our primary goal is the comprehensive education of our students, which requires something more than a purely “knowledge-based” curriculum. We support our students in the development of their personality and social competence so that they may become valuable members of our society.

To achieve this, we offer a stimulating bilingual environment and a pleasant atmosphere, one in which every child has the possibility to find joy in learning.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact us on the following number: 0043 1 641 94 95. We would also be happy to see you in a private appointment at our school.

Please visit our website at www.mayflower-christian-academy.at .

Your Team at *Mayflower Christian Academy*



MCA – An Introduction to our School

Every step we take guides us in a particular direction in life. You are now facing the difficult task of finding the right school for your child, a decision which will affect the future of your child's education and personal development. The process of beginning a successful school career not only challenges and affects the student, but his or her family as well.

If you are looking for a small, personal school with engaging, competent and highly motivated teachers, then *Mayflower Christian Academy* is a good choice!

The *Mayflower Christian Academy* (MCA), founded in 2002, is a ***private school, consisting of primary and secondary education***, which is led as a "Denominational School of the Free Churches in Austria" since February 2014. Since 1998, the MCA has been a successful continuation of the concept of bilingual, Christian education of the kindergarten Arche Noah which has equipped over 1.000 children for their future. Since September 2019, kindergarten and school are jointly run on the International Campus Vienna ICV, in Fontanastraße 8, 1100 Vienna in a new modern building on an area of 20,000m². In Oberlaa the continuation of the MCA up to the Matura is planned in the years ahead. The MCA is constituted as an agency and is a non-profit organization.

What We Offer

At the Mayflower Christian Academy lessons are combined with recreational educational activities and afternoon care is offered until 6:00 pm. The school day starts between 8:00 am and 8:30 am and ends between 3:00 pm and 4:00 pm. Saturday is free of school. School vacations coincide with those in the Austrian public school system.

Teachers will be on duty to supervise students starting at 7:00 am, which is when parents may drop off their children.

We also offer an after school care from 4:00 pm until 6:00 pm.



Our Educational Objectives

The MCA has based the **comprehensive education** of our students on the “Österreichischen Rahmenlehrplan” (Austrian Curriculum Framework), the mediation and transfer of **intense English language skills** and the **values of Christian Education**.

Our teaching goals go beyond the classical transfer of knowledge. We highly esteem:

- ***Identity development***
The belief and recognition of God’s works in history and in our own lives. Our children should develop strong personalities, which will allow them to flourish in the environment around them, to reach their goals and to successfully shape and fashion their lives.
- ***Aptitude and skill development***
Every person has talents and skills. We aim to help our children to discover their own abilities and to develop them to their full extent.
- ***Learning how to learn***
Learning is the beginning of all understanding. To learn *how* to learn is an ability which helps us throughout our whole lives; to understand and manage what will come across our paths.
- ***Self motivation***
The joy of learning is the best form of motivation. We offer our children a creative and inspiring atmosphere in which they can truly enjoy the art and process of learning.
- ***Social Competence***
We are all part of a society. Our children learn to live as part of this society. They learn to treat others with respect and tolerance, and to take responsibility for themselves and others.
- ***Openness to diversity***
The world is an incredibly diverse place. We would like our students to not only understand and be familiar with their own roots, but to experience and learn about other cultures and cultural traditions in a way which will lead them to value and understand diversity.

With this goal in mind, we have employed teams of **motivated and dedicated** Austrian primary school teachers as well as native English speaking teachers.

Our teachers see themselves as **mentors to the students**, whose development they continually assist and guide. They participate regularly in educational seminars and courses in order to bring their skills and knowledge to the highest level.



You can find an introduction to our team in the attachment at the end of this booklet.

The MCA teaches in small multi-level learning groups, which make individual support possible for our students.

The teaching work of the class teacher is reinforced by support teachers (gifted education, learning coach, DaZ, English teacher, ...).

English in the classroom

Children learn languages especially easily. Therefore, it is of the utmost importance that they are familiar with language at an early age. In the MCA, English and German are taught from the first grade on. In addition, English is offered as an extracurricular activity.

Spelling will be taught in German, and is therefore necessary that all students enter our school with some basic German Language skills. These skills will be determined at the acceptance interview.

From the 2nd Class (2nd semester) on, in addition to the spoken and written language skills, we also teach skills and terminology in mathematics (providing the children have the capacity and verbal ability in the English language to be able to cope with this).

After finishing the fourth grade, our students will have gained very strong skills in both English and German and are able to enter other Austrian or International schools without difficulty.

Digital Technology in the classroom

Since 2014 our classrooms are equipped with tablets which are used in different subjects for research, portfolios and documentation. In addition these devices give the children access to all kinds of learning apps and special programs. Above all we educate the children how to use the internet in a safe manner.

Christian Education

Our Christian beliefs require us to treat other people with respect and dignity. Every person is unique and should have the opportunity to develop and display his or her individual character. We strive to offer the environment necessary for this kind of personal growth.

Because we believe that Christian education is the foundation of all learning, it is therefore integrated into daily lessons.



Each school day begins with a morning circle (devotion) and singing. It is our intention to start the day with God's thoughts.

Evaluation & Criteria

Students of the MCA will be evaluated twice each year (Schulnachricht/ Jahreszeugnis) according to a journal of learning objectives (Lernzielprotokoll).

From grade 3 on numerical grades (based on the Austrian grading system) are added.

It is important to us that our students understand the meaning and value of a grade. For us, a grade is not a final result, rather an indication of student progress. For example, a poor grade in a particular subject is a sign that the student has not yet reached his or her full potential in this area and therefore needs our support. Together we can achieve success.

Dress Code

Students of the MCA wear a standard uniform. A uniform helps to build community and allows children to look past social differences and to focus on what is important.

Since September 2020 you can find the current collection in the MCA office "Shop".

The school uniform currently consists of the following parts:

- Dark blue pants or skirt
- Long, short-sleeved polo shirt (colored, without pattern) with **MCA®** emblem
- Dark blue sweater or hoodie with **MCA®** emblem on the front and Mayflower lettering on the back





School Staff & Administration

Elementary School Staff

Mrs. Dagmar Gerl, Mag	Principal Primary level
Ms. Lili Goleva, MMag	Principal Secondary level
Mrs. Lisa Assmann, BEd	Elementary school pedagogue, Class teacher MSK A
Mrs. Jana Akuonyeoma, Mgr. Paed	Elementary school pedagogue, Class teacher MSK A
Mrs. Katharina Orcic, MA	Class teacher MSK B, Art-teacher, children´s theologian
Mrs. Sarah Reitzner, BEd	Elementary school pedagogue, Class teacher MSK B
Mrs. Petra Kocarek	learning coach, team-assistant
Mrs. Anca Cheta, BA	Secondary level class teacher English, French
Ms. Franziska Bollwein, BEd Msc	Geography, History
Mr. Oliver Klammer, BEd	Biology
Mrs. Susanne Riemann-Reither, Dr	Mathematics

Management and Educational Administration

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Mr. Marcus A. Aszmann, MBA



School Fees

One-Time Fees

Security Deposit	€ 310,-	refunded at withdrawal from school (see contract article VI (2))
Registration Fee	€ 490,-	
School Readiness Test, Taster Days	€ 100,-	will be deducted in the first school month
School medical certificates	€ 50,-	

Tuition

Primary School (0th–4th Grade)

School year 2021/2022	€ 6.480,- p.a.	€ 540,- p.m. (12 x September–August)
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Estimated tuition (see contract article VI Tuition):

School year 2022/2023	€ 6.840,- p.a.	€ 570,- p.m. (12 x September–August)
School year 2023/2024	€ 7.080,- p.a.	€ 590,- p.m. (12 x September–August)
School year 2024/2025	€ 7.320,- p.a.	€ 610,- p.m. (12 x September–August)

Middle School (5th–8th Grade)

School year 2020/2021	€ 7.440,- p.a.	€ 620,- p.m. (12 x September–August)
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Estimated tuition (see contract article VI Tuition):

School year 2020/2021	€ 7.560,- p.a.	€ 630,- p.m. (12 x September–August)
School year 2020/2021	€ 7.680,- p.a.	€ 640,- p.m. (12 x September–August)
School year 2020/2021	€ 7.800,- p.a.	€ 650,- p.m. (12 x September–August)

- A 2 per cent cost reduction is granted if the annual fee is received within the first 4 weeks after school entry.
- Sibling discount: 2nd child on Campus -15% 3rd child on Campus: -25%

Optional

- Lunch € 4,70 per day
- Morning snack € 2,00 per day
- Afternoon snack € 2,00 per day
- Early Birds Childcare at school from 7:00am until classes start at 7:45am € 25,- / p.m.

Flexible arrival:	Mo – Fr	8:00am to 8:30am	Primary- and Secondary level
School start/-end:	Mo – Thu	8:30am to 3:00pm	Primary level
	Mo - Thu	according to the timetable	Secondary level
	Fr	8:30am to 13:00pm	Primary- and Secondary level

Registered After-School-Care

End of school	5 pm	€ 70,- / month.
Late shift	5 pm - 6 pm	€ 5,- / hour

School free/ vacations days

8am - 5 pm; including breakfast, lunch and Afternoon snack	€ 30,- / day	€125,- / week
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Application and School Registration

Thank you for your interest in registering your child at the MCA!

The following overview should help you with the registration

- 1) **Open House Days**
October, November, January, May
- 2.) **Appointments**
 - Assessment of *school readiness* (first – graders) or *taster day* (2. – 8. Grade)
Handing over of the documents to the office:
Child's birth certificate
Proof of citizenship or Passport
Certificate of Residents registration office
Social Security Card or other private Health insurance policy
Letter from the Stadtschulrat with "Matrikelnummerr" (if available)
Certificate of baptism (if appropriate)
Small picture of your child
if available certifications and documents from therapists
psychologist,paediatrician
 - 2. – 8. Grade: last 2 report cards, some examples of school work especially German, English and Mathematics.
 - Payment of enrolment fees:
Registration Fee 490,00 Euro
School Readiness Test or Taster Days 100,00 Euro (will be returned with the first school month)
School medical certificates 50,00 Euro
 - Appointment with the school-doctor
 - Feed-back talk with parents about school-readiness
- 3.) **Confirmation** of student admission through the MCA-Leadership
- 4.) **Important information before the summer** for a successful start in the new school year!
- 5.) MCA® End-of-June **Graduation Party**