

## GENEVA SCHOOL of BOERNE

2025 | 2026 Curriculum Guide

Geneva School of Boerne exists to provide a classical education from a biblical worldview, to equip students for a lifetime of learning, service and leadership to the glory of Jesus Christ.

### A DIFFERENT SCHOOL FOR A DIFFERENT LIFE

By the time he or she graduates from high school, your child will have spent over 15,000 formative hours in school. Where your child will spend those hours is one of the most important decisions you will make. At Geneva, we partner with parents who want those hours to be used to shape their children into future adults who love Christ, love others and love learning.

#### **CHRISTIAN**

We desire to glorify God in everything. We study the Bible but we do not limit our study of God to Bible class. We teach every subject in every grade from a biblical worldview. We know that all truth is God's truth, every person is created in His image and no one finds lasting fulfillment apart from Christ. No part of our lives, at school or off campus, is separate from Him. Our goal is to shape our students into wise, just and courageous followers of Christ who value and pursue things with eternal value.

### **CLASSICAL**

Our culture is rooted in the history, philosophy and literature of Western Civilization. Understanding the modern world requires perspective on its roots and formation. As they orient their lives, students at Geneva engage the great works of Western Civilization and their timeless conversation about the meaning and purpose of human life.

Our world is changing too rapidly for any school to anticipate which specific expertise will be needed and valued 15 or more years from now. A Geneva education focuses instead on depth in the core skills that make a student a disciplined thinker and a confident lifelong learner. Geneva students spend their academic careers mastering reading, writing, speaking, listening, understanding, thinking and creating.

## **PARTNERSHIP**

Education is truly fruitful when the school and the parents work together toward shared goals and commitments. We hope and pray you find a school that reflects your priorities as parents. If your dream for your child is that he or she will become an adult who lives a fulfilling life of deep love for God, neighbor and learning, we believe you will not find a better partner than Geneva.









#### **ADMISSIONS LEADERSHIP TEAM**



Leslie Moeller Head of School



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# GENEVA SCHOOL OF BOERNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

#### **OVERVIEW**

Every element of every grade at Geneva is designed to build towards the end goal captured in our Portrait of a Gradate. We call the early grades of K-Prep through fifth, the Grammar School because much like grammar is the foundational structure of our language, the Grammar School is the foundation of a classical education.

Geneva's Grammar School focuses on depth of understanding in core areas: phonics, basic math facts, problem-solving, fundamental writing skills, increasing reading mastery and hands-on science exploration which all capitalize on the natural curiosity of elementary aged children. Latin, the foundational language for the grammar and vocabulary of all Romance languages, is introduced beginning in third grade. Reading well and developing the habit of an active reading life are major goals.

God's truth, beauty and goodness are interwoven throughout every aspect. Grammar students are trained in the 10 Grammar School "Culture Points" which challenge students to live in ways that demonstrate love for God and others.



#### THE ARTS AT GENEVA

Beauty and song are fundamental to God's creation and to being human. Student appreciation of the arts is encouraged starting in our earliest grades with classroom music and art classes and an emphasis on singing in everything from daily routines to community wide worship. As students advance to the upper grades, they choose an art elective and have opportunities to join programs that are competitive and perform both on and off campus.

# GRAMMAR SCHOOL CORE CURRICULUM

GRADE	BIBLE	LANGUAGE ARTS	HISTORY	MATH	SCIENCE	LATIN
K-Prep	OT/NT Overview Scripture Memorization	Literacy Centers, Phonemic Awareness, Pre Reading Skills	Timeline	Number Sense, Centers	Seasons, Insects & Wonder Garden Centers	N/A
K	NT Overview Scripture Memorization	Phonics, Writing, Literature	Family & Local History, Timeline	Math in Focus, Math Facts	Five Senses, Hybernation, Insects, Ocean Life	N/A
1	OT Overview Scripture Memorization	Phonics, Grammar, Writing, Literature,	Presidents & United States, Timeline	Math in Focus, Math Facts	Butterflies & Moths, Solar System, Land Forms Human Body	N/A
2	Genesis-Joshua Scripture Memorization	Phonics, Grammar, Writing, Literature, Cursive	Map Skills, Ancient Egypt, Timeline	Math in Focus, Math Facts	Properties of Water, Sound & Light, Simple Machines Birds	N/A
3	Judges-Kings Scripture Memorization	Literature, Grammar, Writing, Cursive	Ancient Greece & Rome, Maps, Timeline	Math in Focus, Math Facts	Ecosystems & Life Cycles, Fossils, Simple Machines, Solar System	Beginner (twice weekly)
4	Chronicles-Malachi Scripture Memorization	Literature, Grammar, Writing, Cursive	Middle Ages, Maps, Timeline	Math in Focus, Math Facts	Animal & Plant Structures, Earth's Surface, Electricity	Intermediate (4 times weekly)
5	The Gospels Scripture Memorization	Literature, Grammar, Writing, Cursive	Early Modern Times, Texas History, Geography, Timeline	Math in Focus, Math Facts	Space Systems, Botany, Human Anatomy	Cambridge (4 times weekly)

In addition to the Core Curriculum in Grammar School, students are given many opportunities to learn and grow in these various ways:

P.E.: All grades, twice a week.

**Motor Lab:** K-Prep through 2nd grade, three times per week to increase their fine and gross motor skills.

Art: All grades, once a week.

**Music:** All grades, twice a week.

Library: All grade levels, once a week.

**Docents:** All grades learn about the great artists and composers of Western Civilization from parent volunteers.

**Field Trips:** All grades learn outside the classroom by taking field trips. In 4th grade, students experience an overnight trip to Sea World and 5th graders travel to NASA.



# GENEVA SCHOOL OF BOERNE LOGIC SCHOOL

#### **OVERVIEW**

The Logic School (grades 6-8) are developmentally momentous. Students naturally begin to ask more meaningful questions, think more abstractly, and explore more of the world around them. The Logic School at Geneva aims to address these areas of development by offering a well-balanced, cohesive and formative curriculum that establishes normative habits of behavior and thinking while pointing the student toward being a disciple of Christ. The entire scope and sequence of the Logic School curriculum is permeated by our Logic School Honor Code: 1) Love God, 2) Love Neighbor and 3) Accept Responsibility.

Several new courses and opportunities are offered for students to learn and grow. Students in 6th grade are given the option to select a fine arts program where they can cultivate a sense of talent and beauty that persists through Rhetoric school. In addition to P.E., 7th grade students are given the chance to participate in one of the various sports offered at Geneva. During 8th grade students are given the occasion to start developing their communication and rhetorical capabilities through our oratory and debate events.

Finally, as with the name of the school, all students are introduced and established in the core skills of formal and informal Logic as they begin to think and communicate more deeply and abstractly. The Logic School serves as an essential bridge between the formative development of the Grammar School and equips them for the journey through the Rhetoric School.



### ATHLETICS AT GENEVA

God created us to be spirits, minds and bodies. Scripture is clear that the discipline of the body is critical to the development of a mature Christian. The goal of Geneva's athletics is to teach the same virtues on the playing field that are emphasized in the classrooms: courage, self-control, wisdom, justice, faith, hope and love. Grammar School students begin to understand movement with P.E. Logic School students may begin competitive sports starting in 7th grade. Rhetoric School students compete in cross country, football, volleyball, basketball, soccer, swimming, baseball, softball, golf, tennis and track and field.

LOGIC SCHOOL CORE CURRICULUM									
GRADE	HISTORY	LANGUAGE ARTS	BIBLE	MATH	SCIENCE	LATIN	LOGIC		
6	Modern History (1834-1918)	Literature, Grammar, Writing	The Biblical World	Reveal Math	Earth Science	Intro to Latin	Intro to Logic		
7	Modern History (1918-Present)	Literature, Grammar, Writing	God and Our World	Pre- Algebra	Life Science	Latin 1A*	Informal Logic		
8	Foundations of History	Literature, Grammar, Writing	Church and Our World	Algebra I*	IPC Integrated Physics and Chemistry	Latin 1B*	Formal Logic		

<sup>\*</sup>These courses are credited as Geneva Rhetoric School graduation requirements.

In addition to the Logic School Core Curriculum, each student will select a Fine Arts class: Band, Art, Strings, Guitar or Voice. All Logic Students take P.E. and can join LS Athletics beginning in grade 7.



# GENEVA SCHOOL OF BOERNE RHETORIC SCHOOL

#### **OVERVIEW**

Geneva's liberal arts curriculum is designed to equip students to live virtuous lives and communicate with confidence and eloquence in any discipline, hence the name Rhetoric School for the final phase of their classical, Christian education. Ultimately, the goal in Rhetoric School is to cultivate the disciplines and disposition that support a well-ordered life with Jesus Christ at the center.

The Humanities program, composed of history and literature courses, forms the cornerstone of a student's education. In Humanities courses, students discuss texts and ideas around a Harkness table that facilitate a spirit of inquiry, depth of understanding and personal and social maturity. Students also have the opportunity to take a full range of AP and dual credit courses in math, science, theology and various electives.

Every student is required to prepare and present a Senior Thesis—a year-long project on a debatable topic of the student's choosing which is researched, written, memorized, presented orally and defended in public. Geneva alumni regularly report that they find themselves exceptionally well-prepared for college studies in all areas, and they go on to successfully pursue degrees and careers in many fields including engineering, medicine, rehabilitation science, business, law, ministry and the arts.



#### **PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE**

A Geneva graduate is a disciple of Jesus Christ, exhibiting excellence, passion, and integrity as he leads for Christ's cause in the world. He is a critical, logical thinker, able to discern absolute truth from cultural trends and philosophies. As one who loves the Lord with all his mind, the Geneva graduate will be a lover of learning, and have the ability to grasp new ideas throughout his lifetime in pursuit of truth. These qualities, clothed in humility, create a foundation that will enable him to present engagingly articulate and persuasively winsome arguments. A Geneva graduate honors God's image within himself and thus, is interested in all people because of God's interest and image in them. The classical education and biblical worldview gained at Geneva will equip the graduate to exhibit vocational excellence to the glory of God.

RHETORIC SCHOOL CORE CURRICULUM							
GRADE	HUMANITIES	MATH	SCIENCE	LIBERAL ARTS	THEOLOGY		
9	Ancient and Classical	Geometry	Biology	Composition incorporated into Humanities	Bible Interpretation		
10	Medieval to Early Renaissance	Algebra II	Chemistry	Composition incorporated into Humanities	Pauline Ethics		
11	Renaissance to Early Modern	Pre-Calculus and College Algebra	AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Physics, Anatomy & Physiology or Physics	Worldivew (S1) and Classical Rhetoric (S2)	World Religions and Christian Theology		
12	Modern United States	OnRamps Statistics, AP Calculus, and/or College Algebra	AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Physics, Anatomy & Physiology or Physics	Senior Thesis	Apologetics		

In addition to the Core Curriculum, students must earn credits in a foreign language, fine arts, athletics and electives. Students can focus on either Latin or Spanish for their language credits. Fine arts offerings include Band, Orchestra, Guitar, Vocal Music and Art. Athletes compete in cross country, cheer, football, volleyball, basketball, soccer, swimming, baseball, softball, golf, tennis, and track and field.

Electives are offered in a range of areas: product-based (Magazine and Yearbook); competition-based (Debate, Speech, Jazz Band, Chamber Orchestra and Robotics); academics (Lewis and Tolkien, Worldview Forum, Experiencing Christian Traditions, Introduction to Philosophy, AP US Government etc.). Geneva also offers other AP courses and several dual credit courses through Colorado Christian University.