



## Why Enroll Your Children at ECA?

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*Superintendent*



If you have chosen to read this letter, I suspect you are attempting to answer the same question my wife and I asked ourselves about 10 years ago, “Should we enroll our children in a Christian school, specifically Evangelical Christian Academy?”

### **Quality Christian Education**

As for us, our son was entering his freshman year of high school and our daughter was about to enter junior high. Our children had lived in three states and our son had attended public and private schools prior to us homeschooling both children for six years. We felt it was time to find a Christian school but lived in a rural Colorado region where there were no Christian schools in a seven county area. Thus, we began our search praying for God to direct us to the place where our children could receive a quality Christian education and for His provision as we would likely have to relocate.

Through conversations with close trusted friends we heard about Evangelical Christian Academy, and the school came highly recommended to us. We applied, were accepted, and began to seek God’s provision of resources. Within months I was offered part-time work with four Christian ministries, and we feel that God really blessed our decision to make this move.

### **Teachers Who Truly Care**

The teachers truly care for the students and endeavor to convey a love for learning that is infectious. We found ECA to be like a special family, and our children found life-long friends here. In fact our son eventually married a girl he met at ECA, and our daughter, who is studying pre-physical therapy in college, has already had a work-study experience under the tutelage of a practicing Physical Therapist who is an ECA graduate. Stories like these are common for those in the ECA family.

### **More Than Just a School**

ECA is a place where preparing a child to share the hope that is within them is of greater importance than high scholastic achievement test scores. Don’t misunderstand me; it is great that ECA’s ACT scores are consistently over 25 percent higher than Colorado’s State average, but having a sound Biblical foundation underscores what our parents desire for their children. A recent survey of our graduates revealed that over 80 percent of the respondents actively attend church and a great majority of them have a vital servant role in their church.

### **Classical Influence**

There is a *classical* education influence that is growing at ECA. While we are committed to Christian education that is firmly founded in a Biblical worldview, we are advancing the use of

Latin, Logic and Rhetoric as courses that will give students ways to understand, defend and present the concepts of goodness, truth and beauty in a world in need of Christ's redeeming love.

### **Well-Rounded Programs**

Oh, yes, while we are serious about our faith and academics, we also enjoy extra-curricular activities outside the classroom, too. Field trips and special events are a regular part of school life. Art Club, Spanish Club and athletic teams are available to even our younger students. As students grow, they begin to focus on the activities that match their gifting. Our Secondary campus satisfies that need through a variety of programs including art, band, choir, drama, Matchwits (academic competition), and science fair to name a few.

Athletics are important to many families and ECA fields a plethora of sports teams at all levels including baseball, basketball, soccer, track & field, volleyball and wrestling. Just last year several of our teams were Academic State Champions. This blend of faith, academics and involvement is prevalent throughout our school.

### **God is at Work**

I could go on about how I think ECA is right for your children, but I think you understand that I wouldn't lead this school unless I trust in what God is doing here. I am glad to be a part of ECA and hope you will find it to be the school of choice for your family, too.

May God bless you and your family in the educational decisions that lie ahead. If you have other questions, please feel free to contact me at (719) 574-8065 or [jjohnson@ecaeagles.org](mailto:jjohnson@ecaeagles.org).

Sincerely in Christ,

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