



*Mount Zion*  
CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

# Your Guide to Mount Zion Christian Schools

Prepare Your Student for Success through Academic  
Excellence Built upon a Biblical Worldview





## A Letter From Our Team

The journey of parenting is full of joy, love, and rich rewards. However, we understand that choosing the right school for your child is a substantial — and often difficult — decision.

The traditional schooling model of the last century does not serve students well in this century. Imagine if you had an educational framework that actually prepares your child to be successful both now and in the future. Imagine if you had an educational partner who engages your child with robust academics and critical thinking skills while also supporting your Christ-centered values.

**We believe your student deserves an education that provides strong college-preparatory academics while also empowering them to grasp God's story and how their story fits uniquely into His.** At Mount Zion, your child will be known, loved, supported, and equipped to impact the world for God's glory.

Your child is unique, with God-given gifts meant to be used for individual growth and for the world. As a school, we are dedicated to coming alongside your family with intentionally small class sizes where your child can **receive individualized instruction and encouragement from teachers who authentically care about developing your whole child — academically, spiritually, and physically.**

With nearly two decades of providing quality education grounded in scripture, we're confident that a Mount Zion education provides a positive lifelong impact for the student, family, and the community. We want to partner with you to invest in your student now for who they will become in the future.

If you would like to raise and educate your child in a Christ-centered environment with an academically challenging curriculum grounded in a biblical worldview, I invite you to read this guide to discover the lifelong benefits of attending Mount Zion.

*Sincerely,*

**Alexus Lefort**  
*Director of Admissions*



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# Rigorous Academics Infused with God's Story

## Get to Know Mount Zion Christian Schools

Academic excellence and intellectual stimulation are combined with a biblical worldview to produce not only solid, faith-filled citizens but also graduates ready and equipped to leave a powerful legacy on their world.

As a fully accredited school through the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, you can be assured that our programs meet or exceed academic expectations in every area. We are committed to providing outstanding academic performance, leading to most long-term students' NWEA assessments ranking in the 85th percentile or higher.

In conjunction with quality academics, we believe every student should grasp God's story and how their story fits uniquely into His. That's why we provide a Christ-centered foundation of biblical truth integrated into our curriculum — so you can have peace and confidence that your child is being equipped to live out God's unique purpose for them in their homes, churches, communities, and workplaces.



With multiple Outstanding Teacher and Leadership awards, you can have confidence knowing your child is being equipped to live out God's unique purpose for them.



We remain at the forefront of educational innovation so every student develops the skills and habits necessary to engage in deep learning and thrive both now and in future pursuits.



As a designated SEVIS school, international students seeking educational and cultural exchange can thrive at Mount Zion.



Students receive a Christian education that invites them to See God's Story and Live God's Story.



*"Every single person is welcoming, genuine, and encouraging. Our daughter loves school and wakes up each morning excited for the adventure, learning, and relationships that she gets to experience every day. Mount Zion Christian Schools is truly a treasure."*

**Sarina**

**MOUNT ZION PARENT**



# Engage in Expeditionary Learning

Discover our Active-Learning Model

Through our active learning model, your child will develop an ability to think critically, build strong character, and hone teamwork skills that will serve them well throughout their lives.

Each year, students in grades 1 through 12 create an Eden Exposition Project – a student-directed, year-long project that nurtures creativity and hands-on learning. These projects culminate with an opportunity for your child to present their project to parents, peers, and teachers at our Eden Exposition event.

Our active learning approach to all that we do fosters curiosity, creativity, and responsibility in your child, which leads to high achievement in and outside of school. At Mount Zion, your child will realize their creativity and resourcefulness, while learning how to persevere and conquer challenges. Our learning model ensures that your child will be prepared for success now and in what's next in their life.





## Be Uniquely Known

See How We Provide Individualized Attention

Each student at Mount Zion is known and loved by our caring staff. Your student will be supported and encouraged as they identify and develop their God-given gifts so that they can serve the world around them.

When it comes to achieving their best, students thrive in small class sizes. That's why Mount Zion limits each class to a maximum of 16 students. This enables teachers to truly know their students' needs – academically, physically, and spiritually. Our loving teachers and staff are trained to provide individualized attention and instruction so that your child is met precisely where they are and challenged to excel in the manner that is best for them.



*“Mount Zion brings all students together in the love of Jesus Christ, regardless of doctrinal backgrounds. My children thrive in this godly, educational environment that promotes excellence and challenges them in all areas. I couldn’t imagine a better school for my children where they can learn, grow, and worship God alongside their peers, led by Godly teachers, and where they are truly prepared to thrive in the world while not becoming of the world.”*

**Andrew**

MOUNT ZION PARENT



## Welcomed by a Christ-Centered Community

See Our Core Values

The Mount Zion experience is grounded in meaningful Christ-centered relationships between faculty, students, and the community. Your family will find fellowship among a diverse Christian community that shares your core values. Our families represent over 42 denominations; yet, we are united in the goal of providing our students with a strong academic education and a biblical worldview.

At its foundation, our academics are built upon our core values — known as **the MZ WAYS** — to raise your child into a well-educated man or woman of God. We incorporate these value statements into who we are and how we interact with God and each other. It is through the MZ WAYS that we set goals and measure our growth as students, teachers, and followers of Jesus.

### The MZ WAYS:

- ✓ We have **love** for one another and our school.
- ✓ Our stewardship and learning are our **responsibility**.
- ✓ Our process and products are done with **excellence** to the Glory of God.
- ✓ Our abilities grow with the depth of our **effort & risk**.
- ✓ We **persevere** with the support of God and those around us.



# Raising the Standard on Engaging Hearts & Minds

[View Overviews of Each School](#)

## Primary School

### Grades PreK-1

Mount Zion's youngest students explore and discover God's world through hands-on, multisensory learning activities designed to foster each student's individual growth and development. Their school days are centered around intentional routines that foster creativity, problem-solving, and social skills.

Caring teachers and staff provide opportunities for collaborative work and play to encourage students to grow in their independence, responsibility, and perseverance. Focused instruction helps to build a strong foundation in literacy, number sense, fine motor skills, and the expression of ideas through writing. Bible verses, stories, and songs are integrated into each day as children learn about their part in God's story.

## Elementary School

### Grades 2-4

Your student will have ample chances to make connections, express their ideas, and discover new perspectives as a result of the cooperative learning, group work, and authentic learning opportunities provided. Your child will cultivate critical thinking and develop their love for God and others.

Teachers challenge students to grow in their knowledge of the world God has created while providing real work to meet the real needs of real people. As their understanding of learning continues to grow and they see more of God's story, they begin to see how they are uniquely made to live His story through all that they do, whether that's in the classroom, on the playground, in the lunchroom, or in their communities.

## Middle School

### Grades 5-8

Our primary goal in middle school is to provide a challenging and encouraging environment that is at all times sensitive to the unique developmental needs of students at this age. We aim to help students move along the continuum toward greater independence, giving them responsibility for their work and behavior. We value the need to take risks and do all work with excellence.

Your student will be eased into the transition to Middle School in a self-contained classroom, where students focus on their core subjects, then they disperse to other classrooms for specials. The Middle School offers plenty of time for community and fellowship, as students attend lunch, recess, chapel, and weekly meetings as a whole group.

Complementing the rigorous set of academic courses, students develop organization and time management skills, cultivate critical thinking skills, and participate in a wide variety of character-shaping extracurricular activities through the arts, sports, student government, and service-learning.

## High School

### Grades 9-12

Students are well prepared for college and the workforce through our rigorous course of study. Your child will be enriched through engaging in four years of coursework in English & humanities, science, math, and Bible plus three years of a foreign language. We meet your child where they are, and help them to reach their potential by offering classes at both the standard and honors levels. We also offer Advanced Placement Calculus.

If your child plans to attend college, they are able to access dual credits through our partnerships with Colorado Christian University, Dordt University, and New Hampshire Community College System.

Additionally, we offer students opportunities for real-world experience and paid work-study through local businesses. Our on-site internships include Early Childhood Education (ECE) and Spanish internships.



## Experience a Well-Rounded Course of Study that Fosters Success

Explore Our College-Preparatory Academics

Every facet of your student's school day is designed to nurture your whole child — academically, spiritually, and physically — so they can thrive both now and in what's next.

### School Hours

- **7:45** - Doors open and students report to their classroom
- **2:40** - Grades Pre-K - 1 are dismissed
- **3:05** - Grades 2-12 are dismissed

We partner with Healthy Kids to provide after care until 6:00 p.m. for students Pre-K through Middle School for an additional fee.

# Course of Study Overview

PRIMARY SCHOOL	
CORE SUBJECTS (DAILY)	SPECIALS (TIMES PER WEEK)
Reading	Library (1)
Math	P.E. (2)
History	Art (1)
Science	Chapel (1)
Language	Music (1)
Bible	Movement & Motion (1)
Recess (twice daily)	

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	
CORE SUBJECTS (DAILY)	SPECIALS (TIMES PER WEEK)
Reading	Library (1)
Math	P.E. (2)
History	Art (1)
Science	Chapel (1)
Language	Music (grade 2-once/wk, 3 & 4-twice/wk)
Bible	Movement & Motion (1)
Recess (twice daily)	

# Course of Study Overview

MIDDLE SCHOOL		
CORE SUBJECTS	SPECIALS	ELECTIVES
Reading	P.E.	Robotics
Math	Art	Ukulele
Humanities	Chapel	Photography
Technology	Music	Sign Language
Language	Spanish	Crocheting
Bible		Worship
Recess		Digital Media

HIGH SCHOOL		
CORE SUBJECTS	SPECIALS AND ELECTIVES	
Language Arts	P.E.	Robotics
Math <i>(Algebra I &amp; II, Pre-calculus, Calculus, Geometry)</i>	Art	Ukulele
Humanities <i>(English &amp; Social Studies)</i>	Chapel	Photography
Foreign Language <i>(3 years required)</i>	Worship Arts	Sign Language
Physics		Yearbook
Economics		Chorus
Bible		Digital Media

# Promoting Community and Responsibility

## Take a Peek at Our Meaningful Traditions

### Student-Led Conferences

To help your child become an active participant in their education, we conduct student-led conferences instead of traditional teacher-led conferences. Twice yearly, you will meet with your child and their teacher to hear what your student has accomplished and how they are performing.

### Spiritual Emphasis Week

As a Christian school, our walk with God is a crucial part of who we are. Therefore, each school participates in **Spiritual Emphasis Week** to help your child become more intentional in their spiritual development. For example, high school students express the love of Jesus to their community during **Week of Caring**, where students partner with a local ministry to serve families through free home repairs.

### Eden Exposition

Your student will be able to exhibit the responsibility, excellence, effort, and perseverance they have applied throughout the year at the **Eden Exposition** event. This much anticipated night features students' Eden Projects on display. Students have the opportunity to speak to parents and explain their projects while showcasing what they learned.

### Plus Many More Programs to Enrich Your Child's Life

Our calendar is full of other meaningful activities such as dances, an art gala, a fun run, mission trips, concerts, a chili cook-off, and more.



*"We were praying to find a school that stressed academic excellence and that would build and reinforce a Christian worldview in both our kids. The staff at MZCS are exceptional educators and are also very friendly and welcoming. This is an answer to prayer. We are thankful to be part of this amazing community."*

**Paul and Akhrieno**

MOUNT ZION PARENT

# Invest in Your Student's Education

## Explore Tuition and Payment Information

Every family deserves the ability to provide their child with a robust Christian education. That's why Mount Zion has kept our tuition remarkably affordable compared to other institutions in our area.

As your educational partners, we are available to help you with every facet of your journey, including financial assistance. We offer tuition payment plans, and we're happy to help you apply for scholarship programs and other sources of financial aid that may be available to you.

TUITION & PAYMENT SCHEDULE 2022-2023					
TUITION	PRESCHOOL (T/TH)	PRESCHOOL (M/W/F)	GRADES K-4	GRADES 5-9	GRADES 10-12
Total Cost of Attendance	\$4,795	\$5,795	\$7,795	\$8,795	\$9,795
Technology Fee	N/A	N/A	\$0	\$0	\$0
Lab Fee	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$0	\$0
Athletics Fee	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$0	\$0
Praying in School	<i>Priceless</i>	<i>Priceless</i>	<i>Priceless</i>	<i>Priceless</i>	<i>Priceless</i>
PAYMENTS					
Tuition Deposit <i>Deducted from Tuition Non-Refundable</i>	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$350
10 Monthly Payments	\$440	\$540	\$740	\$840	\$940

# Financial Aid

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We strive to make a private education attainable for all families and offer need-based scholarships to qualifying families in Kindergarten through Grade 12.

***Additional forms of financial assistance include:***

## Discount

- A 5% discount is offered to the second child and 10% for each additional child of the same family.
- Ask about discounts for qualifying families whose primary income is established in pastoring a church full-time.

## Mount Zion Financial Assistance

Available to Kindergarten through Grade 12 students. Mount Zion offers financial assistance to families who qualify.

- 1 Go to [www.online.factsmgt.com](http://www.online.factsmgt.com)
- 2 Select **"Applicant Sign-In"**
- 3 Select **"Create an Account"**
- 4 Select a school **(Enter "03103" for Mount Zion)**
- 5 Once requirements are met, please **allow 2-3 weeks** for results regarding Mount Zion financial aid
- 6 All recipients of the MZ financial assistance program will be required to give 20 hours of community service to Mount Zion Christian Schools.

# Financial Aid

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## Children's Scholarship Fund and Education Freedom Accounts

Available to Kindergarten through Grade 12 students

Recent laws passed by the NH State Legislature have made way for the CSF scholarship program, designed for families who would like their child(ren) to attend private schools but cannot fully bear the expense. Scholarships can pay up to 75% of the tuition bill! The Children's Scholarship Fund decisions are made by the NH Scholarship Fund.

- 1 Go to [www.nh.scholarshipfund.org](http://www.nh.scholarshipfund.org)
- 2 In the menu bar, select **"Apply"** and follow the instructions
- 3 **Application Deadline:** June 1st prior to school year
- 4 Families are notified of CSF results by July 31st typically

If you have questions about your CSF application, please contact:  
Kathy Lauer Rago, CSF Program Director **(888) 325-1776**  
[krago@scholarshipfund.org](mailto:krago@scholarshipfund.org)



## Ready to provide your child with a robust, Christ-centered education?

Discover Your Next Steps

Our admissions process will help you discern the best fit for your student.

***Getting started is easy:***

- 1 Take a Tour** - Schedule a tour of our facility and see for yourself all that Mount Zion has to offer. During your visit, you can meet with staff members, and get all your questions answered.
- 2 Submit an Application** - Our application is available online and takes approximately 20 minutes to complete.
- 3 Complete a Placement Test** - To ensure that your student is placed at the level where they will thrive, we utilize the NWEA Assessments, which typically take one hour to complete.
- 4 Get Connected** - Once you've been accepted, start connecting with our Christ-centered community and get ready for the first day of school!



# Raise your child with an enlightened mind and servant's heart

## A Letter From Our Director of Admissions

We pray that this guide helps you envision a future where your child is known, supported, and encouraged to cultivate a deep love for the Lord and a passion for learning.

Our welcoming community is here to support you in every way as you develop your child into a man or woman of God. We offer ourselves as an extension of your home and church, working as a team to bring up your child in the nurture and instruction of the Lord.

At Mount Zion, we aim to produce servant-leaders who are equipped to impact the world for Jesus. Through our strong college-preparatory curriculum and Christ-centered values, students at every grade level learn to think critically, solve problems, and be active learners able to give back to their community.

If you're searching for a school that will prepare your child academically and spiritually for a bright future, schedule a tour with us today.

I look forward to meeting you and your family.

Sincerely,

**Alexus Lefort**

*Director of Admissions*



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[Schedule a Tour](#)