

**Independent Presbyterian Church**  
**Application for Jenkins Trust Grant for Presbyterian Educational Institutions**

*It has been mandated by the Session of Independent Presbyterian Church that a specific percentage of the Victoria Jenkins Trust be designated to promote Presbyterian educational institutions in Savannah. The Session has the sole discretion in determining who qualifies for this grant.*

**Institution:** Veritas Academy                      **Date:** October 11, 2022  
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**Current Enrollment:** 202 (194 FT, 8 PT)              **Grades:** PreK through 12

**Do you consider your school to be a Presbyterian Educational Institution?**  
**YES**    No

**Tell us about your school’s commitment to the Reformed faith (i.e. how is the commitment expressed? to what Reformed creeds/confessions does the school subscribe? do faculty, board members, and /or parents subscribe to the Reformed creeds? does the Reformed faith impact the curriculum?).**

*Veritas Academy is firmly committed to the Reformed Faith and Presbyterian distinctives. The Westminster Confession of Faith, with its Larger and Shorter Catechisms, is the doctrinal foundation upon which the Veritas Academy is built. We believe it is a faithful, comprehensive, and reliable exposition of Biblical teaching. The theology of the Confession is the bedrock of our Christian worldview and gives shape and substance to the entire curriculum. Our by-laws require that a super-majority of our members of the Board of Directors, all administrators, and a majority of our teachers subscribe to the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Larger and Shorter Catechisms and attend a Reformed and Presbyterian Church. For 2022-2023 sixty-eight percent of our teachers embrace the Westminster Standards and are members in good standing of local reformed and Presbyterian churches. The remaining thirty-two percent of our teachers attend local Protestant and Evangelical churches such as Community Bible Church or Hope Bible Church.*

*Veritas Academy is a Christian school. All of the academic disciplines, without exception, are taught from the perspectives of Christian truth, as understood by orthodox Protestantism in*

general, and Westminster Presbyterianism in particular. The Reformed worldview informs all we do as a school from enrollment to classroom instruction to relationships with parents.

**On what other sources do you rely for funding?**

*Our funding is derived from three main sources:*

- 1. Tuition: approximately 78%*
- 2. Individual Donations: approximately 13%*
- 3. Christian Philanthropic Foundations and Organizations: approximately 9%*

**To what use do you plan to put the Jenkins' funds should you receive a grant, and are you willing to accept a periodic review of the use of these funds by the Session of Independent Presbyterian Church?**

- Primarily, funding of Need-Based Student Scholarships*
- Secondly, funding of Classroom Needs: curriculum, books, supplies, furniture, etc.*
- Yes, we would be willing to accept periodic review by Independent Presbyterian Church regarding the use of the funds granted to us.*

**What are the long-term development goals of your school?**

*It is the goal of Veritas Academy to become the school of choice for Christian families in Savannah. This year, 2022-2023 marks the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Veritas Academy. We are trusting God to provide for us as we seek to reach our potential as Savannah's first classical, Christian school. The school grew steadily from 104 students in 2013-14 to 200 students (194 full-time) in 2022-2023. Each year Veritas has made significant improvements in its curriculum, faculty, and extra-curricular programs. In 2019 our full accreditation was renewed from the Association of Classical Christian Schools (ACCS) ([www.classicalchristian.org](http://www.classicalchristian.org)). The board of Veritas is currently writing a Strategic Plan for 2023-2028 which will articulate our plans for growth and development in the areas of enrollment, personnel, community, and finances.*

**Please include copies of your current financial documents. These should include a listing of assets and liabilities along with the latest copy of your operating budget. The budget should list all sources of income as well as a detailed outline of expenditures.**

*Annual Report provided separately.*

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Scott B. Taylor, Headmaster

Date

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October 11, 2022