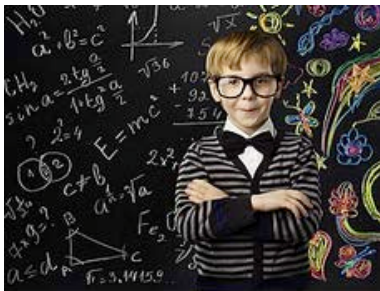




Welcome! I am so glad you decided to take time out of your day to sit a bit and learn a little more about Victory Alliance! Our program is unique and the first of its kind in our area. We are a dedicated hybrid program designed to come alongside our area's homeschooling community to offer professional educational guidance and assistance, encouragement, and an opportunity to put some flexibility in your schedule as a homeschooler. We recognize the value of cooperative learning, and we want to make that option stays available to your family regardless of what bumps in the road come up on your homeschool journey.

Victory Alliance offers a consistent program that is all things Language Arts, Mathematics (including upper level math) along with some Hands-on Science and History. Our electives are growing every year. Membership in Victory Alliance frees up some of your time to focus more on the things that you *love* about homeschooling. Since our professional teachers meet with your student two days each week, you have the time to dream up, plan and actually *do* the field trips, unit studies, and other adventures important for your child. No longer will you have to use your planning time to conquer that grueling Algebra lesson or math concept to be ready to explain it the next day and answer your child's questions. We are here for some of the heavy lifting.



Not all parent-teachers are as excited about math, grammar and science as we are, and that's OK! Those things are more fun and frankly, often easier for your kids to learn alongside a few like-minded peers and our degreed teachers who are geeked about it! Funny thing is our students often catch that enthusiasm and realize how fun mastering these things can be. While solving complex equations or sentence diagrams on our *Smart Boards* or *iPads*, it is not uncommon to hear a student exclaim:

“Hey! This is actually kinda fun! Give me another one!”

It appears that our enthusiasm is contagious, and we love that! Once kids realize that learning hard things *is* actually fun, because God has pre-installed everything they need to reach their fullest potential in a safe, joyful and encouraging environment, they soar! Success breeds more success at the Victory Alliance and in-turn at home!

By letting the teachers at Victory Alliance carry part of the load, parents may find that the learning environment at home becomes less stressful. Often we also see the relationships and attitudes with parents and among kids at home improve.

No more stressing, fighting or arguing about those difficult grammar lessons or complex math problems. No more ambiguous video lessons.
No more tears over unfinished assignments.
No more thoughts of giving up on homeschooling.

Victory Alliance is here to help!



Let us free you up to plan and make those memories, do those projects, and actually make them happen *without* feeling like you are neglecting planning other important academics coming up. Without the daily frustration brought on by too many subjects and not enough day, your kids will catch your enthusiasm for what you are *fully* prepared to teach, just like they do ours! That's when the stage for some serious learning is set.

Our program maintains the core of homeschooling values. It is relaxed and casual. Kids are even welcome to wear their favorite slippers at school. We have no uniforms or dress codes, and simply ask that kids show up clean, healthy, and ready to learn.



We are by design a multi-age program. This gives us the flexibility to shift kids around to exactly where they need to be for the concepts they need to learn. If there is a child who is ready to learn a concept beyond their *current* curriculum, they can be invited into that next level. Likewise, as sometimes is the case, when a student has a gap in their understanding, we can shift and adjust things to make sure it is filled. On any given day, you will often find kids of all different ages learning concepts together.

We believe that curricula should be fitted to the child, rather than forcing the child to fit the curricula. Short of Cinderella's step-mother, no parent would dream of forcing a child's foot into poorly-fitting shoes and then ask them to wear them all day! Why would we not fit a child's curricula to their level as carefully as we fit shoes to their feet? We can do this! We have a vast library of bound, electronic, hands-on, and subscription-based curricula available, and a wide understanding of what works for different learning styles. The subscriptions alone would cost an individual family hundreds and hundreds of dollars, let alone hundreds of hours navigating them. We can test drive as many approaches and levels as necessary. A single grade level out of a box of a single full-year curricula does not fit every child, for every skill, every day.



Grade levels were designed for organizing masses of children efficiently and for the convenience of institutionalized schools. While there are some benefits to this, few of them are for the individual child. Not all kids sleep through the night, walk, or lose their baby teeth at the same age; nor do all kids learn to read, multiply or do abstract math at the same age. We get this! Once kids realize how uniquely God created them, and that if they are giving their best effort, that they are never *behind*, it takes an enormous amount of pressure off them! We are always on the brink of celebrating the next victory in learning. Our students become free to actually safely make the mistakes necessary to learn fearlessly! Watching and celebrating one another's victories helps kids see that victory is attainable. Knowing this, creates an inner confidence to challenge themselves to experience individual victories.

Where is Victory Alliance located?

Victory Alliance is centrally located in Traverse City, near many popular shopping destinations. We are hosted by the newly remodeled Journey Church. (2825 S Airport W) Our classrooms are big and bright and have lots of room for hands-on learning. Come see our middle/high school Coffee Shop theme on our classroom! Bring a cup!

Does Victory Alliance follow a traditional September-June calendar?

Our program is currently scheduled to run on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Currently additional tutoring slots are open on alternate days at an additional cost.

Our 2022-23 program will begin on 9/12/23 and conclude on May 30, 2024.

Our program will be closed on 11/21 for Thanksgiving break and will resume 11/28.

Our program will be closed on 12/21 for Christmas break and our programming will resume 1/4

Our program will be closed beginning on 3/26 for Easter break and resume on 4/2

Our final day of 2022-2023 programming will be 5/25

What time does Victory Alliance begin and end programming for the day?

Students may be dropped off for the day at 9:45 AM, and classes begin with the Pledge Allegiance and prayer at 10:00 AM. Our day ends at 4:00 PM. We ask that students arrive and depart promptly to give teachers time to clean up their classrooms and return to their families.

How will my student get to Victory Alliance?

Parents are responsible for transportation to and from the Alliance. Carpooling is encouraged.

Will Victory Alliance close if there is inclement weather?

Enrolling your homeschooler at Victory Alliance may give your kiddos a few of those very rare snow days that homeschoolers get! Victory Alliance programming will close if TCAPS/NES closes.



What supplies will I need to provide for my student to attend Victory Alliance?

Each student should have:

A clearly labeled traditional 1x1 storage cube for personal belongings:

A pair of slippers with hard soles-no ties, please. They come untied.

2 pair of mittens-by end of October

2 hats-by end of October

An extra shirt, pants, socks and underclothes

All clothing should be placed in an extra large ziplock bag that is clearly marked with the student's name.

Water bottle

Bible



School Supplies

20 age-appropriate pencils

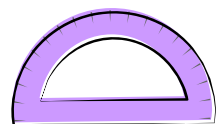
1 basic 2", 3 ring binder with a slot on front for a display sheet

A pencil bag that clips in a binder

Grades 7 and up will need a geometric compass and a protractor

3 100-sheet perforated notebooks

Grades 4 and up are asked to have a chapter book available to read at school at all times



What is the discipline policy at Victory Academy?

We function on four basic Scriptural Principles



Show proper respect for everyone...

1 Peter 2:17

This simple principle covers most challenges that arise in a multitude of situations. Learning what respect looks like is far superior to enumerating dozens of individual rules and regulations. Focusing on this simple principle allows our students to widen the lens and look at a situation beyond, "He started it" or "It's not my fault!" Teaching children to ask themselves if a decision they have made is respectful, instills a character trait that serves them throughout their life.

For it is God who is working in you, enabling you both to desire and to work out his good purposes. Do everything without arguing or complaining

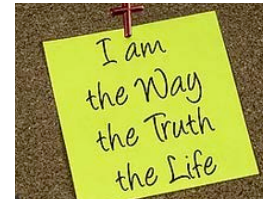
Philippians 2:13-14

This simple principle reminds us all who it is within us and the victory that gives us as we seek to desire and become a part of His good purposes. We strive to help kids know what a privilege that is. We get to be a part of the good purposes of the CREATOR of the universe! Wow!

Therefore each of you must speak truthfully to one another...

Ephesians 4:25

Truth is the foundation of every good purpose we referenced in the Philippians verse.



Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry

Ephesians 4:26

We ask our students to leave their anger at the foot of the cross and make amends regarding any issues that come up during the day before they go home, rather than carry it around all throughout the days ahead and miss the blessings before them.

Students will be reminded as appropriate for their age of these rules. If a student is not prepared to follow these rules on any given day, that student will be asked to phone their parent/guardian, and that parent/guardian may be asked to come and pick the student up prior to the end of our instructional day.

Should my child bring a lunch and snack?

Yes, we ask that you pack a lunch with a healthy beverage and an additional healthy snack. We ask that any candy sent be limited to **1 fun size serving**, and that students **do not bring sugared-soda or commercially-sold energy drinks**. It is advisable to put a chill pack in your child's clearly marked lunch bag. All dishes that come to school. must be taken home the same day.

What if our family decides to take a vacation?

For maximum benefit of the consistent programming we offer, we encourage consistent attendance, but we also recognize the value of family travel. Going on a vacation that spills over into program days should be pre-arranged by working closely with your student's instructors to make arrangements for either remote programming or remote learning packets. Please be aware that it will require extra planning on the instructor's part to prepare packets or make arrangements, especially if you have multiple students. Should It be necessary, additional tutoring appointments can often be scheduled at an additional charge upon your return to bring your student up to speed.



Who should consider the possibilities Victory Alliance offers?



While Victory Alliance membership would benefit *any* dedicated homeschooling family seeking freedom and excellence in education, there are some families for whom it would be an extra good fit. Perhaps you or someone you know is one of those families.

- Single-parent families where the parent-teacher does double-time and has more tasks and ideas than hours in the day.
- Parent-teachers who have jobs or who are growing their businesses, and who know that their child would benefit from homeschooling, but due to career demands cannot plan, teach and evaluate every lesson every day
- Parent-teachers who are experiencing a life-limiting or chronic illness or caring for someone who is suffering from or recovering from a serious illness, but wants to continue to offer their student the gift of being homeschooled. We are also a good fit if there is a new baby on the way.



• Parent-teachers who do not want to quit home schooling, but have valid concerns about fitting it all in due to multiple students on different levels. Despite their best efforts, keeping up with the daily planning, grading, and teaching required is a difficult challenge amongst all of life's responsibilities.

- Parent-teachers who began and loved homeschooling their first couple of children, but now have multiple littles at home who need their attention.



• Parent-teachers who do not want their student's education to fall through the cracks during a major life-change or disruption that demands their time and attention to move forward.

- Parent-teachers whose students have been very independent learners up to now, but have hit a place where upper-level assistance would relieve a great deal of overwhelm, conflict, and confusion for both the student and the parent-teacher.



How much does it cost to enroll a child in Victory Alliance?

We do our very best to offer our programming at the lowest possible cost while still offering a fair wage to those who choose to step up and serve. Our instructors work eagerly and endlessly in and *out* of the classroom to deliver excellence while they are with your students. Curricula is constantly being reviewed, planned, sought out and updated. Evaluation of student progress is ongoing. These daily tasks are being carried out long before and after students arrive or leave our classrooms. As well, our program rates must take into consideration many factors beyond staff wages. There are overhead costs, equipment costs, curricula costs, copy costs, and classroom supply costs beyond what families are asked to individually provide.

While we never want our program to be an unattainable burden for our families, we likewise do not have an expectation that our staff will need to forfeit their wages for daily classroom operations. Please call, email or text for a prayerfully considered quote for your individual family situation. We do offer multi-student discounts and from time-to-time, there is assistance available. Membership is billed monthly and we have 9 and 12 month options. From time-to-time we have employment options, as well.



What should I do if I think I can't afford to enroll my children in this great opportunity? Please pray. Then contact us. God never leads us into places His provisions cannot reach. That is a promise.

Things to consider



Could freed up time you have as a result of the Alliance allow you to grow your business or pursue a skill or interest as a side job? We homeschoolers are a creative bunch. There are so many flexible jobs available in our community.



Is there perhaps a family member or mentor who is willing to partner with you to invest in this opportunity?



Could you provide childcare for a mom who cannot find help? The needs here are tremendous!



Are there financial priorities higher up the ladder that could be adjusted allowing you to join?



We understand that a program such as this is a considerable investment, but please consider both the immediate and longterm benefits to your student and your family. There are so many treasures for your family to unwrap and discover. We have seen amazing academic and personal growth in students and their attitudes about learning as a result of their connection with our hybrid approach. We are here to help! Let's find your next Victory together!

Positive benefits you could enjoy are:

Kids making good connections with like-minded friends who help them learn and conquer both their spoken and unspoken learning reservations, all while learning to flex their character muscles.

Kids enthusiastically moving forward in their academics with a new sense of inspiration and confidence as they discover and explore their unique learning pace and style.

Kids being cared for and shepherded in values that are consistent with the core of your reasons for homeschooling.

Kids being trained to have a VICTORY mindset toward every lesson set before them, because that is what their teachers see in them!

Parent-teachers being encouraged and informed by like-minded, professionally trained, teachers who will offer information, advice, and prayer as they come alongside your homeschool.

Parent-teachers who now have the FREEDOM to explore and expand their own ideas and educational passions while still having the time to share those special adventures with their kids. Suddenly there is time for memory-making!

Parent-teachers who can be confident that their kids are moving forward in their academics under the careful and caring eyes of loving teachers, who support their homeschooling values.

Partnering with Victory Alliance helps you make your homeschool journey an experience you will all fondly treasure for a lifetime!

If you are just learning about Victory Alliance, please feel free to call or text to set up a tour or get more information. We would love to chat with you about how we could serve you. We are here to help.

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