

February 29, 2024

Marlin Families,

Enrollment for the 2024-2025 academic year is here, and the admissions activity around campus has been filled with anticipation and excitement. Prospective families and visitors who have toured our school in preparation for next year have frequently commented on the welcoming culture they saw, heard, and felt across our family-school community. They recognized what we already know; that a Lowcountry Prep education is both unique and exceptional.

LOOK BACK AND *Thank God*

During a recent Open House, our sixth-grade students served as tour guides and escorted guests around campus. The lasting image from that



event shows two of our students as they walked hand-in-hand across the gym, with a younger applicant whom they just met that morning, between them. Not only were our guests able to witness the meaningful connections that bind our community together

and observe the enriching experiences that intellectually engage our students, but they were also able to directly experience our secure and supportive culture. That combination of meaningful connections, enriching experiences and a secure and supportive culture all contribute to forming the ideal learning environment at Lowcountry Preparatory School.



LOOK FORWARD AND
Trust God

It is hard to believe that in less than three months, our twelve seniors, the class of 2024, will be graduating. With acceptances from colleges such

as Ole Miss, Clemson, Alabama, Auburn, the Citadel, Embry-Riddle, South Carolina, BYU, Mercer and Georgia Tech, there is no doubt that God has big plans for these bright minds, and, as leaders, they will absolutely shape a changing world.

While we ask God’s grace to be with our graduates, we also ask for His blessings for our school community for the 2024-2025 school year. As we begin to plan for the best year yet at Lowcountry Prep, the board has thoughtfully approved a 4% tuition increase. Three key considerations helped to govern the process of assessing our tuition costs:

- The desire for our unique and exceptional program to remain accessible to as many families as possible.
- The desire to reward the hard work and dedicated service of our faculty by providing a salary increase. Clearly, our teachers remain our greatest asset.
- The desire to provide curriculum updates, technology infrastructure upgrades and other campus improvements that will enhance the educational experience for your child(ren).

Historically, the board has instituted tuition hikes of \$1,000 every other year. As you will see from the chart below, the increase this year was half that number.

2024 – 2025 Curriculum Schedule

Grade Level	Tuition	Enrollment Fee	Curriculum Fee
Kindergarten – Fifth Grade	\$10,600	\$450	\$500
Sixth – Eighth Grade	\$12,275	\$450	\$550
Ninth – Twelfth Grade	\$12,900	\$450	\$550



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Reenrollment contracts will be released tomorrow, March 1st, 2024, and each family will receive an email from the business office with a link to complete the necessary online forms. Detailed instructions on how to upload your signed student contracts will also be included in the email. Please note that the enrollment period for returning families runs from March 1st through March 15th. Beginning March 18th, enrollment will be opened to new families. The full tuition and fee schedule is printed on the updated student contract and all specific financial details and due dates will be available for you to review.

The 2024-2025 school year will be a defining time for our Marlin Community. Over the course of the upcoming year, collectively, we will:

- Prepare to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the founding of Lowcountry Preparatory School which will take place in September of 2025!
- Collaborate in the planning process to design a strategic vision document that will identify and prioritize goals for growth over the next five years!
 - The research for this project has already begun and your feedback is welcome at the 'Shaping our Future' parent focus group virtual sessions. There is a session scheduled for tonight, Feb 29th from 7:00 – 8:00 pm and you can join by following this [link](#). There is a second session offered Friday morning, March 1st, from 9:30 – 10:30 am and you join that session by following this [link](#). All are welcome. Please join in the conversation!
- Engage in a comprehensive self-study that will validate the education we provide and will be the foundation for our five-year renewal on our accreditation from Cognia.

With optimism and appreciation, we look ahead.



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As parents, we want to thank you for your continued partnership and for the gifts of time, talent and treasure that you generously share in support of our mission. We look forward to furthering that partnership in the pursuit of the ideal learning environment into the 2024-2025 school year.

With gratitude,

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