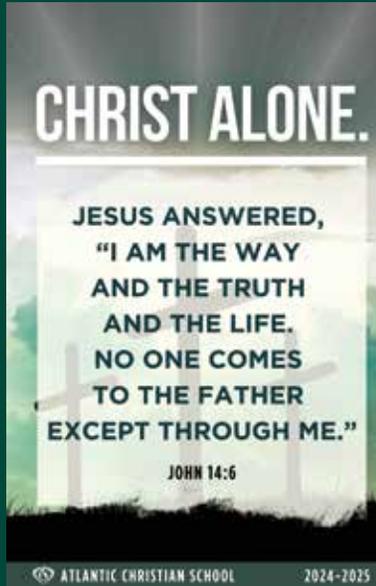
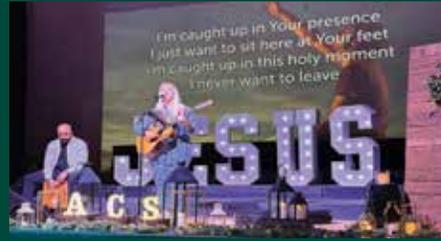


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2024-2025
Spiritual Development
Theme Verse



**ACADEMICALLY
DRIVEN
BUILDING FAMILY
DEVELOPING
GIFTS, TALENTS**



Dear Atlantic Christian School Community,

As we reflect on the 2024-2025 school year, we give thanks to God for His continued faithfulness to Atlantic Christian School. This school year marked our 54th year of providing Christian education, and we remain committed to equipping students to grow in faith, knowledge, and character, rooted in a biblical worldview.

Our theme for the year, “Christ Alone,” taken from John 14:6, reminded us that Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. This message was central to our chapel services, Bible classes, and daily interactions, encouraging students to place their trust in Jesus and walk closely with Him.

We were blessed to see God’s hand at work in many ways across our campus. Through the generosity of our donors and ministry partners, we completed several major improvement projects that enriched student life and strengthened campus safety. One of the highlights of the year was the completion of our commercial kitchen, which allowed us to offer a new intensive culinary program in our high school curriculum—giving students hands-on experience and practical skills in a professional kitchen setting.

Other campus upgrades included enhancements to our Early Education playground, new roofs for athletic dugouts and storage sheds, updated scoreboards and fencing on our fields, new lighting for the soccer field, a new outdoor water fountain, and additional security doors and surveillance cameras. These improvements reflect our desire to provide a safe, welcoming, and excellent environment where students can learn, grow, and thrive.

This Annual Report offers a look into the life of our school throughout the year. From our youngest learners in PreK to our graduating seniors, we saw our students rise to challenges, serve others, and deepen their faith. We celebrate their growth and thank God for His work in their lives.

We are deeply grateful for the support of our parents, grandparents, alumni, churches, and friends. Your prayers, generosity, and encouragement make a lasting difference. Thank you for walking alongside us in this mission.

As you read this report, we invite you to join us in celebrating all that God has done and to continue praying for our students and school community. May we continue to stand firm and move forward—trusting in Christ alone.

In His Service,
Karen M. Oblen, M.Ed.
Chief School Administrator



ADMISSIONS

Enrollment Snapshot

Atlantic Christian School continued to experience strong enrollment during the 2024-2025 school year, with approximately 620 students enrolled from preschool through 12th grade. Our Early Education program remained vibrant and expanded to include 18-month-old students, serving a total of 82 young learners. In our elementary division (Kindergarten through 5th grade), 278 students were enrolled, with 134 students in Middle School and 123 in High School. Our International Student Program welcomed three high school students from South Korea and Belarus, continuing to provide a global perspective within our Christ-centered community.



Class of 2025



The Class of 2025 was made up of 33 graduates who are stepping into a variety of paths as they follow God's direction for their lives. Sixteen students are continuing their education at four-year colleges, while others are pursuing different callings—one will attend the BASIC School of Discipleship, one is enrolling at Word of Life Bible Institute,

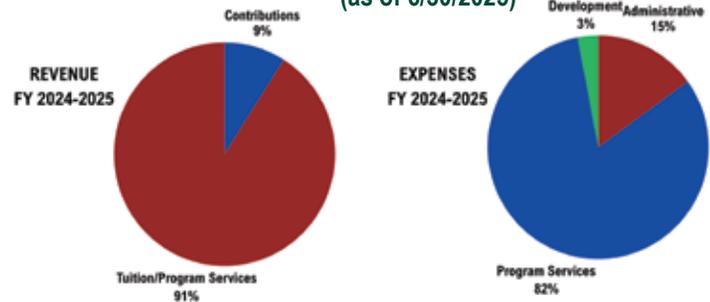
two are entering military service, three are pursuing vocational training, and four are entering the workforce. The colleges our graduates will attend include Anderson University, Atlantic Cape Community College, Cairn University, Coastal Carolina University, Liberty University, Lipscomb University, Messiah University, Pennsylvania College of Technology, Pepperdine University, Stockton University, Ursinus College, and Word of Life Bible Institute. We are proud of each student and are excited to see how God will work in and through them in the years to come.

FINANCIAL

- **Tuition Rates and Fees** – For the 2025-2026 school year, annual tuition will increase as follows: PreK by \$368, K-5 by \$256, 6th-8th by \$257, and 9th-12th by \$275. These increases reflect our ongoing efforts to maintain and enhance the quality of our academic programs, facilities, and student services while being mindful of affordability. The continuous enrollment fee remains unchanged.
- **Tuition Assistance Grants** – Our needs-based Tuition Assistance Grant Program, funded by donations, continued for its 8th year and awarded \$298,697 in assistance to 207 students -- 168 returning and 39 new. The program is being offered in FY25-26.
- **Personnel** – Added 12 new Christian faculty and staff. Base salary increase of \$2,500 for full-time faculty and salaried employees.
- **Income Highlights** – Support from local churches and donors, designated and undesignated gifts to the Annual Fund, grants, and several ACS fundraisers, including the Race for Education and the Cougar Classic Fundraiser, blessed ACS with additional income of over \$477,710.41 as of June 30, 2025.
- **Audit** – A financial review of FY 24-25 was conducted by Clayton Simpson, CPA. Financial statements were found to be presented fairly and reflecting school's financial position as of June 30, 2025. Changes in net assets ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

2024-2025 Budget Snapshot

(as of 6/30/2025)



2024-2025

Operating Budget	\$ 4,857,428.50 (as of 6/30/25)
Operating Income (Actual)	\$ 4,983,468.88 (as of 6/30/25)
Operating Expense (Actual)	\$ 4,861,554.58 (as of 6/30/25)
Additional Expense	
- South Jersey Gas Loan Payment	\$ 10,599.27 (as of 6/30/2025)

2025-2026

Board-Approved Budget	\$ 4,734,550.29
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EDUCATION

Striving for Excellence

- **Technology** – With Title funding, ACS purchased 60 Chromebooks, 6 teacher laptops, and 4 TVs to support learning. The school also added IXL, an online program that uses MAP scores to create personalized student plans.
- **Assessment** – ACS continued using the NWEA MAP Growth assessment tool for students and administered the PSAT and SAT to students in grades 9–11.
- **Honor Societies** – Thirty-one students were inducted in separate ceremonies: sixteen into the National Honor Society and fifteen into the Junior National Honor Society.
- **Senior Project Class**
 - Belize Bike Project: Adam Schlundt and Luke Mills raised \$100 to buy a bike for a boy in Belize.
 - Worship Night: Charlie Costello, Ava Nixon, and Jayden Sanchez led a night of worship at Gospel of Grace Church.
 - Little Free Library: Taylor Sutton, Autumn Loo, Sophia Johnson, and Isabell Alford built and installed a library on campus.
 - Home Run Derby: Richard Casagrande, Seth Phillips, Richie Jackson, and Josh Merlino raised \$500 for Young Life.
 - Winter Clothes Drive: Justin Schlundt and Rico Ordonez collected winter clothing for Calvary Chapel Gateway.
 - Wheelchairs for a Mission: Carson Payne helped deliver 50+ wheelchairs through Mission Mobility in Guatemala.
 - Ronald McDonald Christmas Shop: Rebecca DiMaio helped run a Christmas shop for families at the Ronald McDonald House.
 - Christmas Teaching Unit: Jadelyn Maurer led a 4-week Christmas unit with Bible lessons and crafts for 4th graders.
- **Enrichment Classes** – ACS offers Enrichment Classes for gifted students in grades 3–6, with hands-on learning in robotics, electronics, chemistry, and logic. Eight students participated this year.



EDUCATION

- **Dual Enrollment** – Continued offering eight dual credit courses for high school students through ACCC and Bob Jones University: Algebra 2, Biology 2, U.S. History 2, Pre-Calculus, Spanish 3, Statistics, Psychology, and Intro to Education, totaling 32 credits.
- **Mock Trial** – 10 high school students played lawyers and witnesses and 4 middle school students served on the jury panel.
- **High School Concentrations** – Offered concentrations in Education, Health and Medicine, Biblical Leadership, Business, Culinary Arts, and Sound Engineering & Technology



Competitions

- Twelfth grader **Aine Dorsey** won the ACS Christmas Card Design Contest.
- Fourth grader **Daniel Awad** won 1st place in the 1st–8th grade Spelling Bee and competed at the Scripps South Jersey Regional Bee.
- Ninth grader **Grace Lushina** was the Student Grand Prize winner in the Race for Education, raising over \$3,000. **Mrs. Jackson's** and **Mr. Schriever's 4th-grade classes** each won the Class Grand Prize, raising \$5,144.89.
- Eighteen students from 3rd through 12th grade participated in this year's Student Talent Show.
 - Elementary Awards:**
 - 1st Place: Brooklyn Bynum (4th Grade)
 - 2nd Place: Nora Wigglesworth (3rd Grade)
 - 3rd Place: Juliana Hammie (5th Grade)
 - Upper School Awards:**
 - 1st Place: Rosalie Campbell (8th Grade)
 - 2nd Place: Parker Maxwell (7th Grade)
 - 3rd Place: Megan Connolly (7th Grade)
 - Peer Award: Nora Wigglesworth (3rd Grade)
- **Teen Arts Festival** – Thirty-five ACS students competed in the 2025 Teen Arts Festival in Hammonton in vocal, instrumental, theater, film, and visual arts. Three advanced to the State Festival.



COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Community Outreach



ACS hosted several events throughout the year to show appreciation for those who invest in our students' lives, including Grandparents Day and Veterans Appreciation Day in November, Pastor Appreciation Day in February, and Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week in May. We also continued to make our facilities available to community groups such as the Boy Scouts of America, Hope Community Church, Jehovah Jireh Basketball Outreach, Klemic Performance Method, Mainland United Soccer Association (MUSA), Nor'Easters Academy, and Kingdom Courts.

Race for Education

Over 600 PreK3-8th grade students and their teachers walked and ran around our track for our 22nd annual Race for Education on October 31. Classes and students competed for prizes and raised over \$56,000 for our Annual Fund, with a record 23 Event Sponsors and 43 Classroom Sponsors.



Cougar Classic Golf Tournament, Silent Auction and Social Mixer



On May 1, ACS hosted the Cougar Classic Golf Tournament, Silent Auction, and Social Mixer at Harbor Pines Golf Club in Egg Harbor Township. These combined events netted \$28,482.69 for the Tuition Assistance Grant Fund, which helps families in need access a Christian education. The golf tournament drew 62 participants, and 100 guests attended the evening Social Mixer, including parents, grandparents, alumni, pastors, and local business leaders. During the event, we proudly presented the Servant's Heart Award to AtlantiCare Healthy Schools, Healthy Children; Joe and Amanda Wyzen-Gregory; Brenda Maurer; Philip Senseney; and Frank and Elaine Santo. We're grateful to all the sponsors, donors, and ACS teachers and students who made this fundraiser a success.

FACILITIES

Donations and grants from individuals, churches, organizations, foundations, and federal programs blessed ACS, allowing for major facility and security upgrades.

Completed Commercial Kitchen: In August 2024, ACS opened a new commercial kitchen, funded by an anonymous donor, the Sykora Family Foundation, and the Parent-Teacher Fellowship. It now supports our Culinary intensive, cooking electives, and after-school program.



New Soccer Field Lights: New lights were installed on the ACS soccer field, allowing us to host night games without renting equipment. Funded by rental income from Nor'easters Academy and other teams, this upgrade is a great blessing to our athletics program.



New Soccer and Baseball Scoreboards: New electronic scoreboards were installed on the soccer and baseball fields, thanks to generous gifts from John and Susan Shirk and The Carol Conway Foundation.



Softball Field Fencing: New outfield fencing, donated by an anonymous supporter, improved safety and enhanced the softball field's design—an excellent addition to our athletic facilities.

Indoor Security Doors and Additional Security Cameras: New security doors and surveillance cameras were installed to enhance campus safety, funded by Title support and a Homeland Security Grant.



Early Education Playground Enhancements: New fencing and two new playground pieces were added to the Early Ed playground. The upgrades were funded by Title support, a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Kyle and Karissa Costello, and Annual Appeal donations.

New Roofs for Dugouts and Shed: Costello Roofing donated new roofs for the baseball and softball dugouts, along with fresh shingles for the nearby shed—improving shelter and equipment protection.

New Outdoor Water Fountain: A new outdoor water fountain near the Elementary playground gives students easier access to water, thanks to a grant from AtlantiCare.

New Drama/Costume Club Closet: A new climate-controlled closet, funded by drama production proceeds, now stores and preserves costumes for the Drama and Costume Club and supports rentals for school and community use.

STUDENT LIFE

Spiritual Development



Worship Teams: Fifty-five students participated in 3 teams leading worship at weekly chapels -- 11 in 5th grade, 14 in middle school, and 12 in high school.



Missions Trips: Forty-four students served over Easter break—24 middle schoolers in Coatesville, PA, and 20 high schoolers in Belize.



Spiritual Emphasis Retreats:

Middle school and high school students were challenged to grow spiritually through a series of retreats held throughout the year. The high school retreat took place at Harvey Cedars with speakers Matt Maher and Deana Farrell, while the middle school retreat was held at the Ocean City Tabernacle with Pastor Joe Stoop. Two additional retreats were also offered: Re-Engage, led by Pastor Dan Vasquez, and Re-Ignite, featuring Pastor Jesse Stokes, Brian Soucier, and Pastor John Mol.



Weekly Chapel: The 2024-2025 school year's spiritual emphasis theme, 'Christ Alone,' was incorporated into weekly chapel programs. COMPASS small groups for 6th-12th grade students met monthly for deeper discussion. Students and teachers also led chapel periodically, including the Christmas and Easter chapels.

Teen Refuge: A free eight-week program for high school students, led by Christian Counselor and school parent, Brian Soucier, designed to help students discover their true identity in Christ. 28 students signed up.

STUDENT LIFE

Student Events

All-School Drama Production: Wonka JR.: The cast included almost 60 ACS students starting in 3rd grade through 12th and another 7 students who served on Stage Crew for the spectacular production of Wonka JR., performing 3 shows on November 15 & 16 and attended by close to 1,000 people.



One Christmas Night - ACS families and friends turned out for our 4th annual festival on Dec. 6 and enjoyed various activities, including a live Nativity, pony rides, petting zoo, magician, Christmas movies, laser tag, etc. and performances by elementary classes, choral groups, and worship teams.



Drama Seminar Workshop: Kingdom's Dawn: ACS and The Academy of Arts offered 5th-12th grade students a Drama Seminar Workshop that included two months of weekly practice sessions. The workshop culminated with a performance of Kingdom's Dawn on Saturday, April 5. 28 ACS students and 5 homeschooled students participated in the event, and over 300 people attended the show.



Art Show: Art teacher Genevieve Huff curated and beautifully displayed creative works from ACS students in grades 1-12. The display coincided with the spring concerts and will remain in the hallways until the end of the school year.



ATHLETICS



We are immensely grateful for the overwhelming support from our school families, whose dedication helped elevate our athletic program. Special recognition goes to our students and parents who volunteered at the Cougar Den and manned concession stands at various events, helping us raise over \$10,000. Your commitment and enthusiasm are truly appreciated!



Soccer: A total of 38 high school and 35 middle school students participated in soccer this year. Both varsity teams had successful seasons, with the girls finishing third in a competitive TSCAC league and the boys placing fourth under first-time head coach Liam Hungate. Senior Taylor "TY" Sutton also reached a major milestone with 500 career saves.



Basketball: Thirty-one high school and thirty-three middle school students participated in basketball this season. Coach Paul Jones led the varsity boys to their sixth straight TSCAC Championship and an undefeated league season. They went on to win the NCSAA Division 4 National Championship. Charlie Costello and Noah Stokes were named TSCAC Co-MVPs, both reaching 1,000 career points, with Noah also recording 500 career rebounds. Coach Kaylee Breunig guided the varsity girls from a rebuilding start to a TSCAC Championship victory over reigning champions Gloucester County Christian, thanks to strong defense and clutch scoring.

Cheer: 17 HS students participated. Once again, our Cheerleaders wowed many people in our gyms and across the East Coast. They finished first in the Cheer & Dance Extreme Winter open and 2nd in the National Competition. They have been led over the last few years by a strong core of senior leaders.



ATHLETICS

Baseball and Softball: In Baseball, 17 HS and 16 MS students participated. In Softball, 15 HS and 16 MS students participated.



Both our varsity baseball and softball teams are off to a great start! They remain undefeated in league play and have had some exciting walk-off wins at home. With two weeks left in the regular season, both teams are battling for the top seed in the TSCAC playoffs.



Annual Track Meet: Ninety-four high school and middle school students participated. This year, ACS brought home the TSCAC Championship in all four divisions—high school and middle school, boys and girls. We're grateful to our dedicated coaches for their hard work and commitment to excellence.



Athletic Awards: Seniors **Charlie Costello** and **Taylor Sutton** received the 2025 Billy Robinson Award, given to one high school boy and girl for outstanding achievement, Christian testimony, and athletic ability. Seniors **Isabell Alford** and **James Papanikolaou** were honored with the Cougar Award, and freshman **Caelyn Domsic** received the Rookie of the Year award.



Several student-athletes also reached major milestones this year. Senior Taylor Sutton recorded 500 career saves in soccer. Seniors Charlie Costello and Noah Stokes each scored their 1,000th career point in basketball, with Noah also collecting 500 career rebounds. Charlie also set a school record by scoring 52 points in a single game. In softball, senior Ava Nixon struck out her 300th career batter.



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