



Warrior Fellowship Academy

Questions & Answers

1. What is the mission of WFA?

~ The mission of Warrior Fellowship Academy (WFA) is to develop young men into fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ, with a foundation built on spiritual discipleship, academic excellence, and athletic advancement.

2. What is the goal of WFA and how is it different from other programs?

~ WFA is a discipleship and development program that is focused on discipling and developing each and every young man who attends our Academy. WFA students will learn how to build a strong foundation on the Word of God, how to be great friends and teammates, while pursuing and reaching their fullest potential as a hockey player and ultimately as a follow of Christ. Our transformational staff will encourage and challenge our student-athletes to grow into the Godly Warriors they were created to be.

3. Do you have to be a Christian to attend?

~ Although WFA is designed for young men who desire to grow in their relationships with Jesus Christ through the fellowship with other believers, you do not have to be a Christian to attend WFA. However, you must be open and willing to hearing the gospel and participating in our chapels, our discipleship time, and our Christian outreach as WFA is built on a servant leadership model. We serve our families, we serve one another within our program, and we serve our communities because Jesus came not to be served, but to serve (Matthew 20:28).

4. Is WFA a full-time high school?

~ WFA is a full-time high school requiring all student-athletes to be enrolled as full-time students in WFA's academic program. WFA will be an Affiliate program of Liberty University Online Academy (LUOA) and students will be required to meet all of LUOA's graduation requirements in order to be awarded their High School diploma. LUOA is an accredited on-line program that offers both NCAA approved high school level classes, as well as, dual enrollment college classes.

5. Do players have to be high school students to play on the team?

~ Yes, all students must be full-time 9-12 grade students of WFA, having not yet graduated.

6. Where is WFA located and where will my son be living?

~ WFA is located in Lynchburg, VA. The Varsity team will be skating at Liberty University's LaHaye Ice Center. All student-athletes will be living with a Christ-centered family in a vetted billet home here in Lynchburg. We also welcome families to relocate to Lynchburg, if you feel called, and if it is possible within your family dynamics.

7. When does the school year begin and when does it end?
~ WFA student-athletes will begin their online academics in mid August at home. Welcome Weekend will be either the end of August or the beginning of September based on game scheduling. The school year will end the middle of May.
8. What does the daily and weekly schedule include?
~ Daily schedules will include a morning chapel, 4-5 hours of academic time in a classroom with a teacher, discipleship class, weight training, and on ice development (1-2 skates a day). We will also have off-ice training which will include Roller, Hyden Board, Sports, etc. There will be service projects as we plan to give back to the community who is pouring so generously into us and real life training... vehicle maintenance, meal planning, cleaning, schedule planning, etc. There will always be a day off, usually Monday, in order to honor the Lord's commandment for a Sabbath day of rest.
9. What will WFA student-athletes do after the hockey season is over?
~ The student-athletes will continue working on and complete all academic requirements, they will continue with spiritual discipleship, and continue on and off ice conditioning. All students are required to finish the school year with WFA here in Lynchburg.
10. What birth-year players will WFA be accepting and how many players will they accept?
~ WFA plans to accept players from the 2008, 2009 and 2010 birth-years; with a possibility for some 2011 developmental players. The goal is for WFA to accept around 25 players.
11. What is considered a developmental player?
~ Developmental players are those who might not be ready for game time but would greatly benefit from a year of skill development and growth before taking a full-time position on the team. Developmental players will spend most of the year focused on developing stronger skills, and although not guaranteed any games, will hopefully be rostered for some.
12. How many teams will there be?
~ WFA will begin their inaugural season with one Varsity level team with the plans to add a second team year 2 or 3.
13. What level will the WFA team be playing at?
~ The WFA team will be playing a U18 prep/academy schedule against U18 AAA and prep/academy teams from both the US and Canada.
14. What league will the WFA team play in and how many games will they play?
~ WFA is currently considering a few different leagues to join, as well as, entertaining the possibility of an independent schedule. We are also planning to attend and host home showcases. We estimate 50-60 games over the course of the season.
15. What is the cost for WFA and what is included?
~ WFA is still working on the yearly cost but anticipate it to be between \$28,000 and \$32,000 per year. This cost includes academic fees, hockey fees (which includes ice times, tournament fees, travel, hotels, & food while traveling), select equipment, and billeting fees. There are no hidden costs nor any additional costs during the season except for personal purchases.

16. Will there be scholarships and/or any tuition assistance programs?
~ We plan to set up a scholarship application for those who will need financial assistance with tuition.
17. What are my next steps?
~ If you are interested in WFA please complete the player interest form. The link is in the FCA announcement email. Once reviewed and based on your interest level, one of our FCA coaches will contact you for next steps. We are also working on scheduling a Prospects weekend in the spring in Lynchburg, and will have details available in the coming weeks.
18. How do I contact someone if I have further questions?
~ You may email your questions and comments to info@warriorfellowshipacademy.org. Please include your name and contact information. You can also email Tim Jackman at TJackman@fca.org.