



Acres of Impact

Case for Support





Welcome to Arbor Christian Academy. The place students like Emmanuel and Jwray call their second home. A place where they receive access to a quality education, Christ-centered teaching, and safety.

For two years Emmanuel couldn't find a school in San Francisco de Macorís. While Emmanuel is a bright, driven young man, dyslexia was keeping him from being admitted to other schools. Desperate for a place to learn and belong, Emmanuel's mom brought him to ACA. While his academic needs were beyond any programming ACA had available, we knew that he belonged with us. We would be a safe place for him to learn and grow at a pace that worked for him. In just a few short months his reading and writing has improved, his confidence is growing, and for the first time he doesn't feel different. He has teachers and friends who see him for who he really is, and he is not alone.



ACA is the place where Jwray found safety. She moved from Haiti after the recent earthquake destroyed her home. She lived through the loss of family and friends only to enter a country whose language she did not speak and whose customs she did not understand. However, in Haiti she had learned English, so ACA was a perfect option for her. Not only is she getting a great education, but she is finding spaces to process her loss and grow in her faith.

Emmanuel and Jwray's experience at ACA, (one of acceptance, growth, and transformation), is not unique to them. It is a thread that runs through the story of each student at Arbor Christian Academy as the Spirit of God moves among us.

Now is the time for expansion. We need land of our own so we can build a new campus. One that will give access to more families in our community. We need you! The harvest is ripe. Join us in the work God has started.



MISSION



Equipping the
mind, and
educating the
heart, to impact
the nation.

VISION

The vision for Arbor Christian Academy has always been rooted in faith. Arbor Christian Academy exists to provide an exemplary Christian education with an English immersion program, where students are provided with age-appropriate academic rigor and students and families have the opportunity to know Jesus Christ as their personal savior.

VALUES

At Arbor Christian Academy, our desire is to help our students become fruitful leaders. A fruitful leader is one who positively impacts their world for Christ. We train children up to understand and embody the following traits:



Rooted



Courageous



Relational



Wise



Integrity

OUR STORY

The ministry of Arbor Christian Academy is made possible through the work of missionaries, local staff and donors who work together to change student lives.



2014 - Present:

Two donor-supported missionaries with TeachBeyond were sent to launch the project.



2017 - 2018:

More than seventy donors raised \$70,000 to build the second level with four additional classrooms.



2019 - Present:

Individuals and churches come together to prayerfully and financially support a class of students each month.



Today:

Join us in raising \$500,000 to purchase land for our new campus. Many have already given from the Dominican Republic and around the world. Will you be next?

OUR PROGRAM

Currently we serve students in kindergarten through sixth grade. Our new campus will also provide the space needed to add a preschool program.



OUR DISTINCTIVES



English Immersion



High Quality Curriculum and Teaching Standards



Internationally owned and supported



Multi-cultural Community



Holistic Transformational Education

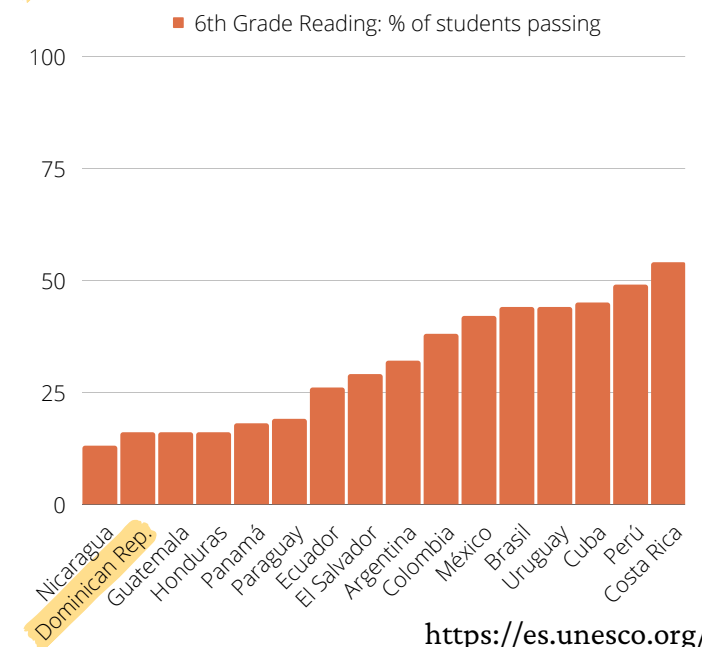
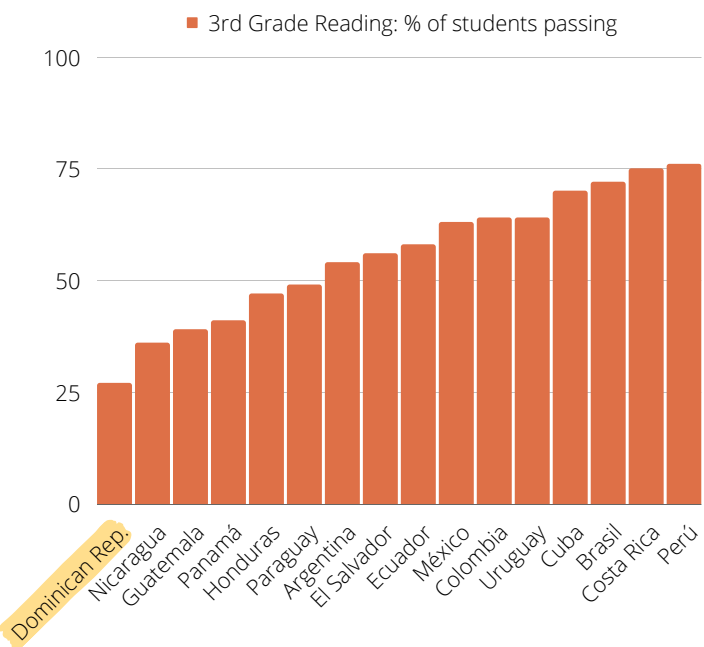
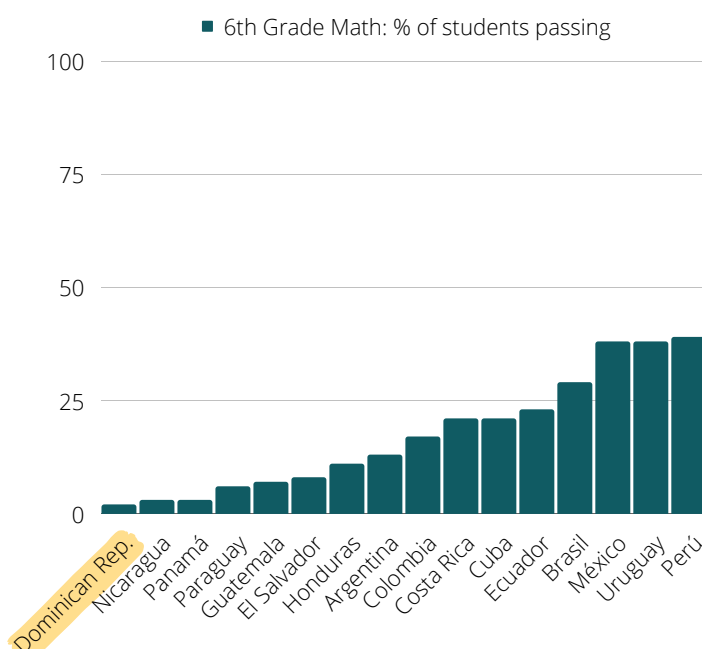
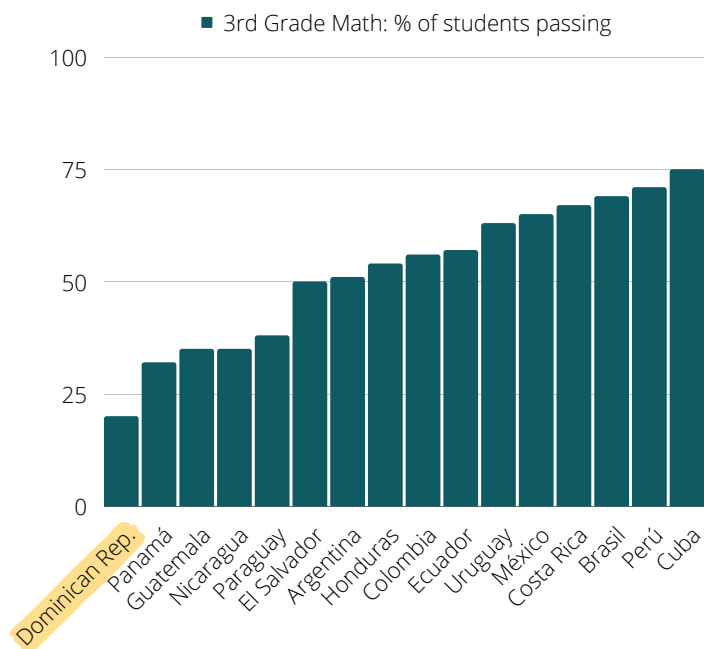
Seeing every child as an image-bearer of Christ who can do great things

WHY THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC?

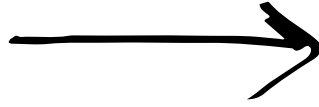
UNESCO
Educational Rankings:
Latin America
& the Caribbean



The Regional Comparative and Explanatory Study (ERCE 2019) measures the learning achievements of students from educational systems in Latin America and the Caribbean. It has been applied in 16 countries, covers more than 4,000 schools, 160,000 children, and represents the more than 18 million students in the education systems of Latin America and the Caribbean.



*Dominican Republic:
National Standardized
Testing Scores*

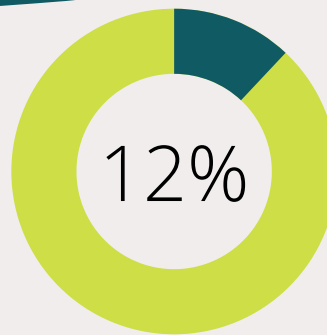


Each year, students in 3rd and 6th grade take national standardized tests. As the charts below demonstrate, the majority of elementary children (in both public and private sectors) are failing these exams and cannot demonstrate mastery of the educational standards.

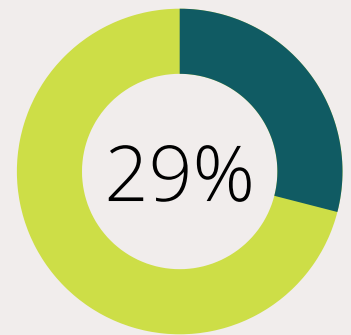
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*The more I study these
statistics and see them play
out in real life, the more
passionate I become about ACA.
These aren't just numbers to me,
they are children with faces and
names. They deserve better.
This is why I'm here.
This is why Arbor is here.*
— Ellen Kujawski
(ACA Assistant Director)
— ” —

% of students
who passed
national exams
in 2017-18.

3rd Grade

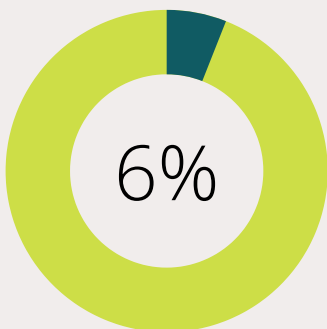


Spanish Language Arts

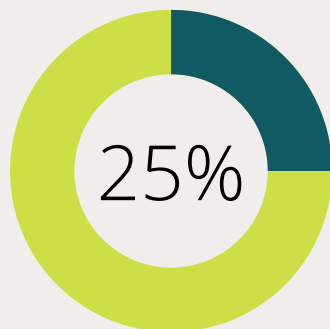


Math

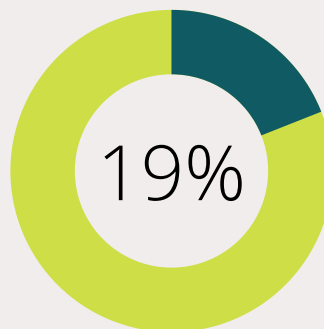
6th Grade



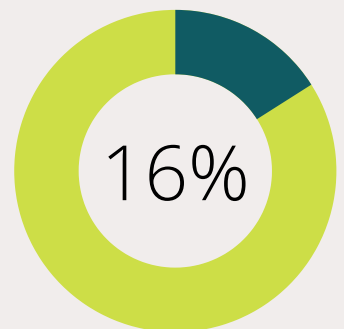
Math



Spanish Language Arts



Social Studies



Science

IT'S TIME TO GROW

We need 7,000 square meters of land for a new campus. Below are three possible locations.



7,200 Square Meters (1.8 acres)
\$98 USD/square meter

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*Real estate cannot be lost or
stolen, nor can it be carried away.
Purchased with common sense,
paid in full, and managed with
reasonable care, it is about the
safest investment in the world.*
— Franklin D. Roosevelt —
” —



21,000 Square Meters (5.2 acres)
\$67 USD/square meter



21,000 Square Meters (5.2 acres)
\$62 USD/square meter

WHY NOW?

1

We are out of space!



5th Grade Classroom & P.E./Music Teacher Office

2

We must relocate due to educational mandates that separate churches and schools.

3

We need additional outdoor spaces and sports fields, as required by the ministry of education.



Church Parking Lot/Playground/Lunch Room

Arbor Christian Academy Building

OUR FINANCIAL NEED

PHASE 1

Purchase the Land

\$500,000 USD

Land in the Dominican Republic is viewed as an inheritance. It is a treasured commodity that holds great value for families and businesses alike. However, it is more than a great financial investment in our future. The ministry that the Lord will pour out over the campus will have an eternal value as students and their families have the opportunity to know the love of Christ. Owning our own piece of property gives permanence to Arbor Christian Academy.

The Facts:

- To build a preschool through 6th grade campus we need 1.7 acres (7,000 square meters) of land.
- The average cost of land in San Francisco is \$71 USD per square meter.
- Upon purchase of the property, we will begin phase 2 of the campaign.

December 2022



\$500,000 Raised

February 2023



Land Purchased



PHASE 2

Build Our School Campus

\$2,500,000 USD

Our new campus will include

- A preschool building
- A 1st through 6th grade building
- Larger classrooms for students
- Sufficient office space
- Sports fields and improved playground space
- A lunchroom
- A large meeting space for whole school events
- A larger library
- A science lab for upper grade students
- Improved technology in classrooms
- Dedicated spaces for art, music and physical education
- The space to add additional classrooms to accommodate students

December 2023

February 2024

December 2024

July 2025

*\$1,000,000
Raised*

Groundbreaking

*Fundraising
Complete*

*Move into new
campus!*



This picture is an example of the kind of classrooms we will build. This is one of the buildings on the campus of Santiago Christian School in Santiago, Dominican Republic.



TESTIMONIES

Message from the Director

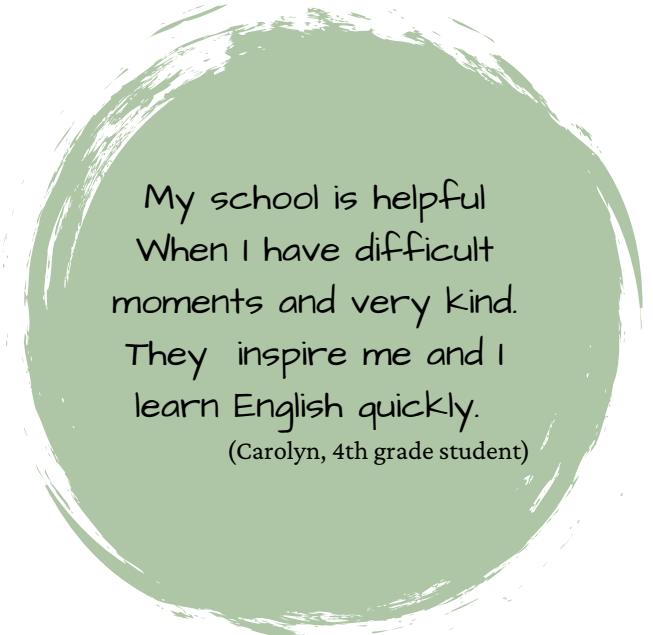
For nearly eight years I have poured my heart into founding and expanding the ministry of Arbor Christian Academy. Through the many trials and changes we have faced in our short school history, I have seen God move in mighty ways. His fingerprints can be seen everywhere I look.

They are etched in the walls of the building, they cover the students, and they have knit our staff together into a strong family. As I reflect on where we have been, it gives me great confidence in our future. God is here. He is changing hearts and lives, bringing hope, and transforming educational practices.



"We were looking for the light at the end of the tunnel. Arbor Christian Academy was that light."

(parent of 1st and 5th grade students)

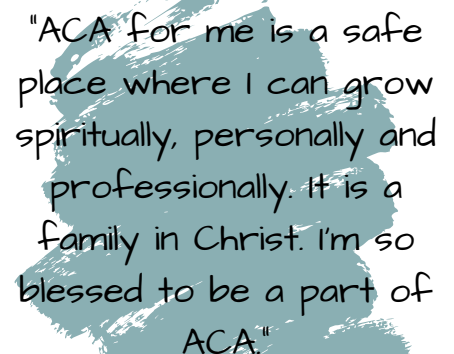


My school is helpful
When I have difficult
moments and very kind.
They inspire me and I
learn English quickly.

(Carolyn, 4th grade student)

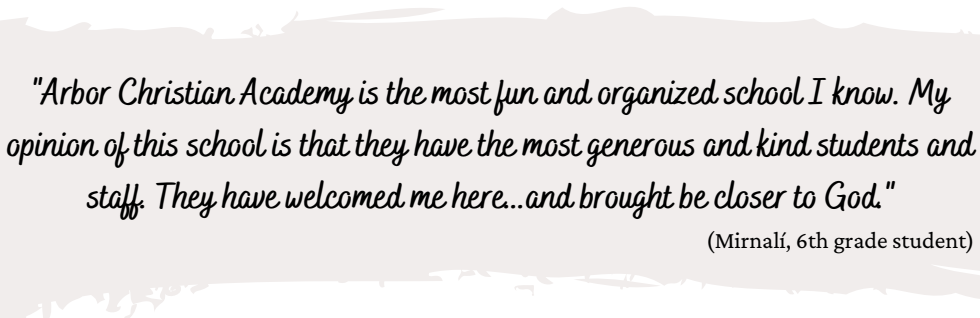
" [ACA] challenges me to learn and helps me to grow in languages, makes me meet new people and know about different cultures. I have new friends and it's a great blessing to all my family and a special school for my daughters..."

(Claudenice Jean-Jacques, security and maintenance)



"ACA for me is a safe place where I can grow spiritually, personally and professionally. It is a family in Christ. I'm so blessed to be a part of ACA."

(Rosanny Jimenez, school psychologist)



"Arbor Christian Academy is the most fun and organized school I know. My opinion of this school is that they have the most generous and kind students and staff. They have welcomed me here...and brought be closer to God."

(Mirnalí, 6th grade student)

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

By purchasing Acres for Impact, you give students in San Francisco de Macorís the opportunity for a quality education! There are three ways to get involved financially.

All gifts are tax-deductible through TeachBeyond, a registered 401c3.



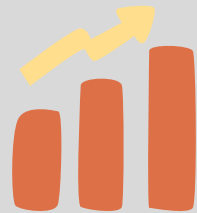
GIVE TODAY

Talk with a team leader to give by cash, check, or secure online EFT.



MAKE A PLEDGE

Pray over how God would have you join us in ministry and set up a regular giving schedule.



DONATE APPRECIATED ASSETS

We have the ability to accept stocks, bonds, or other investments and assets.

Each giving option is available online at: www2.teachbeyond.org/give/subaccount-project/acres-of-impact
You can also give by mail or phone using the information provided below.



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Tel: 630-324-8177
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Thank you for prayerfully joining us in ministry so that all students at Arbor Christian Academy can receive a transformative education for generations to come.