



GRADE 8
PROSPECTUS





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HISTORY

South Coast Academy started 2001.

Near to closure, Mr & Mrs Parsons purchased South Coast Academy from Mr & Mrs Jordaan in 2005, and the school relocated to no. 1 Elgin place, previously Margate Sport School.

Mr CH Parsons is a retired principal who moved to the South Coast to retire, but soon realised that he loved teaching too much and returned to teach at Suid Natal Primary, moved on to Sportweni and then purchased South Coast Academy.

South Coast Academy is a family owned business, which is operated by his 3 sons, as directors, with him as the owner of the school.

South Coast Academy boasts with beautiful premises and well maintained sport grounds and hostel facility.

This school has established itself as a true community centre and built up a reputation of consistency and care.

We are a service to the community and we shall strive to better education.

Vision, Mission, Values



Vision

This institution will, in a professional manner, provide relevant, quality and market – related education to enable the learners to grow intellectually, emotionally and physically, each according to his / her potential. The school environment will be conducive to teaching and learning – a safe haven for learners, parents and educators.

Mission

To employ suitably qualified staff to educate the learners according to the CAPS curriculum as implemented by the Department of Education.

To have regular communications with the relevant officials at the Department of Education and subject advisors.

To interact and have communication with and between – school, learners and parents, with the aid of questionnaires, reports and regular follow-up and feed back, would create an environment conducive to teaching and learning.

To maintain a clean and safe environment for children.

To expose children to various entities i.e. sport, cultural activities, Christianity and all areas of life.

VALUES

Respect-Responsibility-Tolerance-Thoughtfulness-Friendship-Love-Courage-Appreciation-Honesty-
Empathy-Co-operation-Positivity-Unity-Peace-Happiness-Hope-Patience-Care- Humility-
Determination-Trust-Freedom

EVENT PROPOSAL

Admission Policy



POLICY ON ADMISSIONS

THE PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

The purpose of this policy document is to promote and to facilitate the admission of learners to our school. Right of admission is reserved.

FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

The fundamental principle of admission to basic education to all is guaranteed by the Constitution.

ADMISSION TO THE SCHOOL

3.1 Admission requirements for our school shall not unfairly discriminate on grounds of race, gender, sex, ethnic or social origin, colour, sexual orientation, age, disability, religion, conscience, belief, culture or language.

3.2 An application for the admission of a learner shall be made to the principal of our school.

3.3 If the principal refuses an application under subsection (3) of the Schools Act, he shall inform the parent of the learner in writing or verbally of his decision. However it is not compulsory to give a reason.

SCHOOL FEES

School fees are compulsory and the Owner determines the amount of school fees raised for a year. South Coast Academy is an independent institution (Private) with an annual budget dependent upon school fees for operating expenses.

Attendance at a private school is a privilege and a commitment that involves expense.

Parents who thus enrol their children in our school are liable for the payment of the school fees. Information can be withheld if school fees are not paid.

School fees are payable in advance before the 15th of each month, 11 instalments.

All new applications forms must be accompanied by the following (no application will be assessed without these documents)

R400 Application fee – NON REFUNDABLE

Application form (Contract)

Conduct report from current school

Latest report from current year- YEAR END report to be supplied end of the year (without this the application is not valid and could be cancelled)

PROVISIONAL TRANSFER CARD when applying and FINAL TRANSFER CARD – at the end of year

Child's UNABRIDGED birth certificate

ID – ACCOUNT PAYER

ID of all parents or guardians included on the application form

Proof of income (payslip or bank statement) – ACCOUNT PAYER

Proof of residence – ACCOUNT PAYER

Clinic card (Gr 1 - 7 only)

Medical aid card (if available/not compulsory) – in case of an emergency

Each application will be evaluated individually – RIGHT OF ADMISSION RESERVED

All trust fund applications must supply the school with all the contact details of the Trust fund as well as proof that there is a trust fund available for the student.

Admission Policy

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Legal basis for this document

The appropriate section 21 School of the South African Schools Act No 84 of 1996 :

All relevant regulations and circulars issued by the KZN Department of Education up to and including KZN Circular no. 38/2016 have been taken into account.

Capacity

The capacity per grade has been determined by the Directors of the school.

Admission criteria and allocation of places

Those who reside with their parents or legal guardian and learners who already have older brothers at the School, will be considered.

Thereafter the limited number of remaining places will be given to learners who show the highest academic potential. A limited number of places will be reserved for achievers, according to the stipulated criteria, in academics.

Dates of application

Applications for the new year open the 1st day of Term 3. There is no closing date, however learners who are already enrolled at South Coast Academy in the present year have to re-register for the following year by the beginning of Term 3.

Handing in of application

Applications are accepted only when they are completed in full, are signed and are handed in by a parent/guardian during office hours at the admissions office. Emails are acceptable.

Incomplete applications will not be considered and will be returned to the applicant. In such cases the date of submission of the completed application will be the effective date of the application.

Fraudulent applications will not be considered. The School reserves the right to revoke the admission of a pupil who has gained admission in a fraudulent manner and to institute criminal proceedings.

Language Policy

The medium of instruction is English. English is offered as the first Home language. Afrikaans or isiZulu is offered as a First additional language.

Age Requirements

In terms of legislation, pupils are entitled to leave school at the end of the year in which they turn 15 or after achieving a pass at the end of Grade 9 whichever is the sooner.

The following ages are used as guidelines in ensuring appropriate placement at this School:

Grade 8: Admission in the calendar year in which the pupil turns 14 years of age
Grade 9: Admission in the calendar year in which the pupil turns 15 years of age
Grade 10: Admission in the calendar year in which the pupil turns 16 years of age
Grade 11: Admission in the calendar year in which the pupil turns 17 years of age.

Admission into Grade 12 is not permitted

Why South Coast Academy?

CODE OF CONDUCT

Although there are a number of regulations which help in the smooth running of the School, there is really only one guiding principle: 'At all times use your common sense and do not do anything that will bring you or your School into disrepute'.

A Attitude, Manners and Respect for Others:

Develop a positive attitude towards your School, your studies and your involvement in activities
Develop self-discipline and responsibility for your own academic progress.
Identify with the traditions of the School

Good manners and respect for others are expected at all times.

Be respectful and courteous to all visitors to the School. You may not bully anyone at any time. Do not use offensive or foul language.

B School Uniform and Appearance:

Show pride in your School by ensuring that your uniform is always neat.
Full uniform must be worn at all times between School and home, at all functions and on excursions.
Blazers will be buttoned.
Full uniform or a School tracksuit must be worn after sports practices

C Punctuality and Bounds:

Be punctual for School and to all classes

Observe all regulations which specify areas that are out of bounds, or where access is restricted to certain times You may not leave school at any time except with the permission of the Headmaster or Form Controller.

D Respect for Property:

Take care of your own belongings, and show respect for the property of others.

Do not bring valuables to School unnecessarily. Any large sums of money or valuables should be handed to the Secretary for safekeeping. Take pride in the School grounds and buildings by assisting to keep them neat and free of litter.

Any breakage or damage to property must be reported immediately

E Classroom Code of Conduct

Everyone has the right to learn without interference from others Be punctual and prepared for the lesson (books/files/equipment) Use appropriate language - encourage communication. Show politeness and consideration - exercise self-discipline. Take care of furniture and equipment. Respect the property of others

F Disciplinary Sanctions

A paragraph on disciplinary sanctions and policies will be found on the website under Code of Conduct.

SACE registered Teachers UMALUSI accredited

Grade 12 pass rate:

2012 – 74%

2013 – 80%

2014 -82%

2015 -91%

2016 -84%

2017- 94%

2018- 86%

2019- 84%

2020- 94%

2021 – 78%

2022 – 84%

**CAPS Curriculum – Registered with
Department of Education – NSC
approved examination centre.**

**Christian based education
in small groups – less than
30 learners per class in
High school**

**IsiZulu or Afrikaans offered as
First additional language
Gr 1 – 6 and Gr 8 - 12**

Why Boarding at South Coast Academy?

Boarding

The boarding is situated on the same premises as the school and is managed by a Hostel Master and Matron who lives on the property, which gives the boarding 24 hour supervision by professional boarding parents.

Our boarding can accommodate more than 120 children from Grade 4 – 12. There are supervised study times allocated and are adapted during examination and test times. Children are supplied with 3 nutritional meals per day which is served in a dining hall. The school is close to a shopping mall where bus tickets and flights can be booked from. We are also within walking distance of public transport facilities.

There is a Netcare Private Hospital +/- 1 km from the school, where children with Medical aid can be attended to. There are also various doctors and dentists in the nearby area.

Boarding rooms can accommodate up to 6 learners per room and learners are allocated according to age, gender and grade groups.



Testimonials

My experience at South Coast Academy

I really don't know where to begin. I have created so many memories, from the moment I stepped into that Grade one class, unwillingly, with tears filling my eyes but there was this lady standing there who welcomed me with open arms. I felt at home by the second day and had already made friends. In the middle of my first year, I was told I am moving to the next grade, I really didn't understand it at that time but it has been beneficial. In Grade 3, I was rewarded with a scholarship for my good performance, it was the happiest moment of my life. From then onwards, life ran smoothly, of course with ups and downs but I couldn't have chosen a better school.

At the end of Grade 6, I was elected as Head Girl for the following year, I didn't know how to feel because at that time I was tinier than most people but it was a great experience, especially for the upcoming year. I learnt to deal with certain situations and I truly learnt a lot. I will forever be grateful for the opportunity and the confidence the teachers had in me.

Then High School came, things changed, things became so much harder to accomplish, things used to seem so easy before. New and harder challenges, but nothing you can't handle with the help of the teachers, parents and good friends. I kept my circle small at all times, I've been blessed with good friends from the start till now. High School is a weird time for us all but teaches us a lot about ourselves, especially self worth, with life, in general, and I know South Coast Academy has been the best place to grow up in, because everyone here has become part of my "Second Family". How could I forget last year, I was chosen as Head Girl for 2015 in Gr 12. Wow, I felt so emotional walking up to take that position, I was afraid but it has honestly been worth it. Matric has been the absolute best year of my high school career. I believe it is like this because at this point I've moved up and it's easier to handle everything. This has been my school, the small classes, the attention, the teachers, the friends I've made. Lord knows, I wouldn't have chosen any other school because for me South Coast Academy has to be the Greatest!

And last but not least, my biggest thank you goes to the Parsons family. My success and who I am today wouldn't have been possible without them and the financial support during my schooling career.

South Coast Academy is the place to be!



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- Zongeziwe Sikundla