

New Family Getting Started Guide 2025-26



Getting Started Guide

APP

Use the SFCA Family App as a convenient hub to stay up-to-date with important announcements, access grades, attendance, tuition, forms, and so much more. Download instructions can be found on our school website (sfcakings.org) under Current Families, Parent Resources.

ATHLETICS

All middle and high school students must go through Athletic Clearance to participate in sports. Please contact Ainsley Ellis at ainsley.ellis@sfcakings.org for more information.

Intramurals and athletic camps are available. Please refer to our website under Athletics, Athletic Camps/Intramurals

ATTENDANCE/ABSENCES

If your student is absent for the day, reply to the automated email that will be sent with the reason. A Pre-Excused Absence Form is to be used for a planned absence from the school and should be filled out online at least three days prior to the anticipated absence. It can be found within the SFCA Family App under the "Web Forms" tab. For an unplanned absence, please email: sfca.office@sfcakings.org.

BACK TO SCHOOL ORIENTATION

Date: Mon., August 4, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Location: McGregor Worship Center (Sanctuary)

After the program, families will be directed to a different area within the school to meet the teachers.

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Please visit our school website (sfcakings.org) under Current Families, Parent Resources for our Calendar at a Glance.

**First day of school: Wed., August 6, 2025 @ 9:00 a.m. (Reminder that Wednesday is a late start day.)

DONATIONS

When you give to SFCA, you are investing in the people and the programs that make SFCA one of the best private schools in Southwest Florida. Your contribution makes it possible for our students to grow with God, solve problems, create art, conduct experiments, build relationships, try new things, mature, and have fun!

Please visit our school website (sfcakings.org) under Current Families, Giving or access the SFCA Family App under the "Give" tab.

DROP OFF & PICK UP

Drop off starts at 7:35 a.m. on Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. and 8:35 a.m. on Wed. for all students not going to King's Crew. Students arriving earlier will be directed to King's Crew to be supervised. Please do not drop off students without an adult present. Drop off and pick up information will be provided at the Back to School Orientation on Mon., August 4, 2025.

Inclement Weather Pick Up

Elementary: Normal location Middle & High School: Library

Grace 7th period elective: Grace Building East Side

Middle & High School Students without a Grace 7th period elective may be picked up with their Elementary siblings.

PLEASE REMAIN IN YOUR VEHICLE FOR SAFETY.

FINE ARTS

Please visit our school website (sfcakings.org) under Fine Arts to access information about Band, Choir, Drama, Digital Arts, Visual Arts, and upcoming events.

HANDBOOK

Please visit our school website (sfcakings.org) under Current Families to access the school handbook for any questions:

Elementary Parent/Student Handbook

Middle & High School Parent/Student - Secondary Handbook

HOURS

Start Time All Grades

School starts @ 8:00 a.m. on Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Fri.

School starts @ 9:00 a.m. on Wednesdays due to late start chapel days.

Dismissal Time

Elementary - Grades K-5: 3:00 p.m.

Secondary - Grades 6-12: 2:50 p.m.

School Half Day Dismissal Times

Elementary - Grades K-5: 11:45 a.m.

Secondary - Grades 6-12: 11:30 a.m.

Office School Year Hours:

7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri.)

8:30 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. (Wed.)

Office Summer Hours:

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. (Mon.-Fri.)



Getting Started Guide

JEANS DAY

Fridays are SFCA school t-shirt and jeans day.

Jeans may be worn for \$1 per week or \$36/school year.

Contact Tamar Miller, Tuition and Billing Coordinator @ tamar.miller@sfcakings.org to be billed in your FACTS Family Portal account.

KING'S CREW

Before & After School Care
Start time all grades: 7:00 a.m.

No charge for students arriving after 7:30 a.m.

End time all grades: 6:00 p.m. After care charges begin at 3:30pm.

King's Crew Information & Agreement Form can be found on our school website (sfcakings.org) under Current Families, Parent Resources.

LUNCH

Students are able to purchase a hot lunch at school by using their pre-paid FACTS lunch account, cash, or credit card. Please visit your FACTS Family Portal Account to pre-pay the lunch account or visit the SFCA Family App and click the "Financials" tab

To access your FACTS Family Portal Account, please go to our school website (sfcakings.org), Current Families and click on Family Portal.

PROX CARDS

Every new student will receive a prox card for entry into the school. Please note that if your child has a lost or stolen card, it must be reported immediately to the front desk at the school office.

A replacement card will be issued and a \$15 fee will be charged to your FACTS account.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

To access the list of school supplies for each grade, you may visit our school website (sfcakings.org) under Current Families, Parent Resources or on the SFCA Family App under "School Supply List".

STUDENT PARKING PASS

Your student may obtain a student Parking Pass Form from the front desk at the school office. Replacement parking passes are \$20.

TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION

6th-11th grades receive a school issued device.

12th Grade Computer Recommendations:

- Device type: Laptop (no tablets or iPads)
- Processor: Intel Core i5, AMD Ryzen 5 or better, or Apple M1
- Operating System: Windows 10 or 11 or Mac OS
- Memory: 8 GB minimum, recommend 16GB RAM or higher
- Storage: 512 GB SSD or larger

TUITION

Please visit our school website (sfcakings.org) Current Families for the FACTS Family Portal link. Once you have logged into your FACTS Family Portal, click on "Financials" for tuition and billing information or you may click on "Financials" on the SFCA Family App.

UNIFORM & SPIRIT WEAR

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{SFCA}}$ Spirit Store is located in the Grace Building.

Spirt Store Hours:

8:45 a.m.- 2:45 p.m. (Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri.)

9:15 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. (Wed.)

King's Spirit Wear will be sold at Back to School Orientation.

SFCA uniforms can be purchased from Zavada's Renegades:

17051 Jean Street, Unit 10

Fort Myers, FL 33967

239.275.6720

Store hours can be found on their website:

www.renegadesfl.com

Used uniforms are available on a first-come, first-serve basis.



Getting Started Guide

CONTACT INFORMATION

Admissions: Donna Sage x1259 donna.sage@sfcakings.org

Athletic Clearance: Candace Furiosi x1183

candace.furiosi@sfcakings.org

Athletics: Ainsley Ellis x1405 ainsley.ellis@sfcakings.org

<u>Development/Donations</u>: Jennifer Ramirez x1195

jennifer.ramirez@sfcakings.org

Elementary Principal: Susie Kackley x1065

susie.kackley@sfcakings.org

Elementary Assistant Principal: Holly Marciano x1219

holly.marciano@sfcakings.org

Elementary School Counselor: Melissa Hendrix x1191

melissa.hendrix@sfcakings.org

High School Principal: Stephanie Laymon x1026

stephanie.laymon@sfcakings.org

High School Counselor: Arabella Rios x1268

arabella.rios@sfcakings.org

<u>Library</u>: Front Desk x1467 amy.wiggins@sfcakings.org

Marketing/Admissions Director: Amy Long x1472

amy.long@sfcakings.org

Middle School Principal: Andy Duncan x1418

andy.duncan@sfcakings.org

<u>Middle School Assistant Principal:</u> Marci Hendrix x 1068

marci.hendrix@sfcakings.org

Middle School Counselor: Lezlie Nassef x1407

lezlie.nassef@sfcakings.org

School Nurse: Erin Wooley x1414

erin.wooley@sfcakings.org

Security: Scott Liebensohn x1037

scott.liebensohn@sfcakings.org

SFCA School Office: 239.936.8865

connie.willis@sfcakings.org sfca.office@sfcakings.org

Technology: Lawrence Williams x1230

Andrea Guerra x1484 helpdesk@sfcakings.org

netpuesite si cuttings.org

Tuition & Billing: Tamar Miller x1470

tamar.miller@sfcakings.org

SFCA Website: https://www.sfcakings.org/

A

Southwest Florida Christian Academy



southwestflchristianacademy