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## **2026–2027 Student Handbook**

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**True education does not ignore the value of scientific knowledge or literary acquirements; but above information it values power; above power, goodness; above intellectual acquirements, character.**

- Education p.225

**Vision:**

Equipping dedicated Seventh-day Adventist young people who love Christ to be His end-time disciples, winning the world for Him.

**Mission Statement:**

To know Jesus, to make Him known, and to help others to do the same.

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## → The J.E.S.U.S. Model

Jesus is the model, pure and simple.

We were created in His image and since the beginning, God's plan is that the more time we spend with Him, the more He will change us and the more we will reflect His character and be like Him. Our goal at Weimar Academy is for each and every young person to have an authentic, eternal relationship with God and as a result, they will be like Him.

Our J.E.S.U.S. model communicates many of the fruits of this type of relationship, based on our research in the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy. Our training at the Academy is designed with these fruits in mind, and our handbook has been constructed to help provide the most optimal environment for this relationship to grow. It is our sincere desire that each student possesses every one of these fruits and we invite every family interested in partnering with Weimar to join us on this journey, to be like Him. Not out of obligation, not because the alternative isn't attractive, but simply because you love Him, and being with Him and like Him is the desire of your heart. If that is your desire, then join us.

- J** JESUS AND HIS WILL ARE FIRST IN THEIR HEARTS
- E** EQUIPPED FOR THEIR LIFEWORK
- S** SELF-DISCIPLINED
- U** UNDERSTAND & PRACTICE A HEALTHY AND BALANCED LIFESTYLE
- S** SPEAK AND INTERACT WELL WITH OTHERS

## **J** JESUS AND HIS WILL ARE FIRST IN THEIR HEARTS

- Unashamed of the gospel (AA p.499, MYP p.28)
- Set apart time for daily devotions (FLB p.125, ED p.185)
- Study their Bibles and the Spirit of Prophecy (DG p.78, Joel 2:28)
- Commit Scripture to memory (Ps 119:11, CE p.58, 59)
- Mission-driven (Mat 28:19–20, 6T p.201)
- Defender of the Truth (ED p.57, PK p.512–513)
- Proclaim the 3 Angels' messages (Rev 14, SD p.207)
- Enjoy the blessing of the Sabbath (CG p.532, Is 58:13)
- Defend the literal 6–day creation week (ED p.128–129, Gen 1)
- Active in the SDA church (CG p.482, AA p. 9)
- Utilize sacred music for evangelism (Ps 9:11, Ps 18:49)

## **E** EQUIPPED FOR THEIR LIFEWORK

- Domestically proficient (AH p.89, FE p.416)
- Great work ethic (FE p.419, Pr 14:23)
- Life-long learners (CE p.52, Pr 1:5, 7)
- Have a clear direction of where God is calling them (MYP p.444, ED p.267)
- Academically equipped to function in society (ED p.262, YI 2/7/1901)

## **S** SELF-DISCIPLINED

- Able to adapt (TDG p.203, Dan 1)
- Persevering (CG p.161, Mat 24:13)
- Teachable (CTR p.74, Prov 1:5,7)
- Make positive decisions (LHU p.127, Ps 1:1)
- Organized (IT p.649–650)
- Problem solvers (CHS p.224, ED p.17)
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## **U** UNDERSTAND & PRACTICE A HEALTHY AND BALANCED LIFESTYLE

- Emotionally healthy (1 MCP p.51)
- Take time for active recreation (CE p.183)
- Practice NEWSTART principles (11MR p.174, CT p.294)
- Proficient in natural remedies (CT p.519–20)
- Able to prepare healthy meals (Gen 1:29, CG p.392)
- Dress appropriately (CT p.294, ED p.248)
- Physically fit (CG p.342, AH p.123)

## **S** SPEAK AND INTERACT WELL WITH OTHERS

- Attractive to those seeking God (COL p.340, Mat 5:14–16)
- Have the fruits of the Spirit (Gal 5:22–23)
- Well mannered (CE p.200, AH p.51)
- Emotionally intelligent (1 MCP p.51, Prov 16:32)
- Trained to be a Godly spouse and/or parent (AH p.15)
- Respect all living things (CG p.144, Deut 22:6)
- Possess conflict management skills (CE p.149, Mat 18)
- Communicate effectively (COL p.336, 1 Cor 15:33)
- Proficient in basic English skills (CT p.219, CPTS p.216)
- Multilingual (CT p.508, 9T p.62)
- Good listeners (Mat 11:15, Prov 18:13)

## → Who We Are

In the highest sense, the work of education and the work of redemption are one, for in education, as in redemption, “other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.” “It was the good pleasure of the Father that in Him should all the fullness dwell.” 1 Corinthians 3:11; Colossians 1:19, R.V. ED 30.2

Weimar Academy is not your typical school: our focus is not contained to this planet alone. We set our eyes on Heavenly things and follow a Creator whose plans are eternal. We exist to glorify God and pledge our lives to worship Him alone through our thoughts and actions. By His example, we seek a life of genuine worship, where we focus on serving others and loving obedience to God. We seek the highest possible standards in education for our students: not merely academic but also the spiritual, physical, and social aspects as well. We believe that when you educate students following God’s model found in the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy, the result produces youth who are “thinkers and not mere reflectors of other men’s thought.” They are “strong to think and to act, men who are masters and not slaves of circumstances, men who possess breadth of mind, clearness of thought, and the courage of their convictions.” Ed p. 17

**“The true teacher is not satisfied with second-rate work. He is not satisfied with directing his students to a standard lower than the highest which it is possible for them to attain.”**

- Education p. 29

### About Weimar Academy

Weimar Academy, a boarding high school, is a supporting ministry of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and a member of Adventist-laymen’s Services and Industries (ASI). The Academy, located in Weimar, California, shares the same campus with Weimar University and the NEWSTART® Lifestyle Center.

Weimar University is owned and managed by a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation (Weimar Institute Incorporated), whose purpose is to restore the image of God in man. Weimar Academy bases its spiritual, educational, and lifestyle principles on the Bible as the inspired Word of God and on the writings of Ellen G. White.

## Facilities

The ladies' and gentlemen's dormitories have a large living room which provides a warm, home-like atmosphere for worship and visiting. Classes and chapel meetings are held in the Academy Center, as well as on the main University campus. The campus church, cafeteria and most work study programs are located on the University campus as well.

## Location & Climate

Weimar Academy is located on 457 acres of wooded land in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada Mountains at an elevation of 2,250 feet. It is just off California's Interstate 80, 45 miles northeast of Sacramento and about 45 miles southwest of Lake Tahoe. Both San Francisco (west) and Reno, Nevada (northeast) are approximately ninety miles from the school. Winters are mild (30/40 degrees Fahrenheit), with frequent rainfall and occasional snow. Daytime summer temperatures can rise above 100 degrees. Spring and fall are mild and sunny.

## Accreditation

Weimar Academy's program, based on the principles of true education (as outlined in the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy), provides a wholesome balance of spiritual, mental, and physical training. It seeks to meet God's standards for true education, and operates under an approved status from the State of California.

Weimar's academic program (college preparatory or general) meets or exceeds the scholastic expectations of accredited institutions in terms of curricular quality and verifiable evidence of student achievement (as shown on standardized test

scores). Graduates are readily accepted by Christian or secular colleges and universities.

## → Spiritual Focus

### Prayer

“Prayer is the breath of the soul. It is the secret of spiritual power. No other means of grace can be substituted, and the health of the soul be preserved” (GW p.254, 255).

You cannot have a healthy relationship without communication. This is why we talk to God. We intentionally take time every day to pray to our Creator and Best Friend.

### Bible Study

“Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You” (Ps 119:11).

It is also important to listen to God. By reading God’s Word, we hear what He wants to say to us. His Word is powerful and changes us. This is why we set aside time each day to read the Bible.

### Worship

All Weimar Academy students take part in worship services, while also having the opportunity to lead in both singing and sharing God’s word from the pulpit.

### Service

“The restless energy that is so often a source of danger to the young might be directed into channels through which it would flow out in streams of blessing.” (DA p.640)

We believe that the fruit of an authentic relationship with Jesus is manifested in loving service to others, whether that be across the world, or across the street. Weimar seeks to consistently provide opportunities for its students to work for their Creator in service.

## → Financial Information

### School fees

School fees are made on a monthly basis and based on a 10 month payment plan. Upon acceptance, the student will need to submit an advance deposit of \$250 to guarantee a space at Weimar Academy (international student advance deposit is \$3,125). This nonrefundable deposit will be applied toward the fees due at registration.

<b>Basic Fees</b>	<b>Cost (Dorm)</b>	<b>Cost (Village)</b>
Refundable Dorm Room Deposit	\$250	n/a
Non-Refundable Registration Fee	\$900	\$900
Tuition	\$9,500	\$9,500
Room	\$4,600	n/a
Board	\$7,700	n/a
<b>Total without Room Deposit</b>	<b>\$22,700</b>	<b>\$10,400</b>
Initial Application Fee	\$80	\$80
Uniform Cost	\$250	\$250
Graduation Fee	\$200	\$200
Foreign Student Deposit	\$1,750	n/a
Foreign Student Processing Fee	\$1,750	n/a
Activity Fee	n/a	\$600

## Music Fees

Private instrument or voice lesson fees can be arranged from Weimar Institute staff. The whole semester amount is due at registration or at the beginning of the second semester. Please check pricing with the music director.

## Graduation Fees

There is a graduation fee of \$200 for seniors. This helps cover the cost of caps and gowns, flowers, etc.

## Transportation Fees

Trips to the Sacramento airport are \$50 when only one student is being transported, or \$30 per student if multiple students are taken at the same time. If transportation is needed outside the normal shuttle times, personal arrangements will need to be made by the students. All drivers must be approved by the staff. Personal trip costs for dental, immigration, etc. vary by trip.

## International Student Deposit

Students who are not citizens or permanent residents of the United States and its territories are required to send \$3,125 USD to the Academy before the student immigration form (I-20) is sent. One-half of that sum (\$1,250) will be applied directly to the student's first month's bill, and the remaining \$1,250 will be held on deposit until the student's enrollment is terminated, and the student has been transferred out of the SEVIS program. At that time the \$1,250 will be refunded in the form in which it was sent, minus applicable costs, if any (e.g. international wire transfer fees). An additional fee of \$125 USD will be charged to the student account for the additional costs involved in the admission process for international students, including the processing of the I-20, etc.

## Health & Hospitalization

All students are required to have health insurance. Foreign students should arrange for their own health and hospitalization insurance. You may choose any suitable insurance company including [www.internationalstudentinsurance.com](http://www.internationalstudentinsurance.com).

## Family Discount

A discount of 3% on tuition only is allowed when two or more members of the same family are enrolled simultaneously as full-time students at the College and/or the Academy.

## Delinquent Accounts

A returning student must settle any outstanding account balance before they may reapply for the next school year. Arrangements must be made with the business office if a monthly payment might be late. Accounts must be paid in full by the end of the semester in order for the student to take their final exams.

## Accident Insurance

Any medical, dental, optical, or counseling expenses are the responsibility of parents or guardians. Parents will be asked to fill out a “Consent to Treatment” form for any emergency care that may be required while a student is enrolled at Weimar Academy.

Student Accident Insurance carried by the school is secondary to any health insurance carried by the student’s parent or guardian. Any claims must be filed through the primary policy first. The secondary policy will only cover costs not covered by any other medical insurance the student may have. All deductibles, co-pays, etc. from the primary policy are the responsibility of the parent/guardian.

Benefits are payable for expenses incurred for up to one year from the date of an injury that occurred on school premises or on a school- sponsored event (on or off campus) during the school year. This insurance will not cover injuries incurred while the student is on home leave or vacation.

In order for insurance to cover an injury, the accident must be reported as soon as the injury occurs. Expenses for treatment must be incurred within 60 days after the accident. The charge for this accident insurance is included in registration fees.

## Payment Option 1: Advanced

Under this plan, full payment of tuition, room, board, and miscellaneous fees for the school year is made before or at the time of registration. Academy students who pay annual tuition, room, board and fees in advance are entitled to three percent (3%) discount on tuition only, provided the payment is made by check, money order, cash, or wire transfer. Credit card payments do not qualify for a discount. If the student withdraws during the first semester, the discount will no longer apply. If the student withdraws during the second semester, half of the discount will be applied.

## Payment Option 2: Monthly

Payments will be due by the 15th of each month. Following the final month of school, a statement will be issued, reflecting any refund of deposits. Payments may be made by cash, credit card, check, bank check, wire transfer, or money order. Please include the student's name when making the payment. Money orders should be made payable to:

Weimar Academy  
Student Finance Office  
P.O. Box 486  
Weimar, CA 95736

## Student Bank

To prevent loss of personal cash, a student bank is available at the Business Office for deposits and withdrawals. It is recommended that the student take advantage of this service. These personal accounts are not related to a student's tuition account. Deposits into these personal accounts may not be made by credit card.

## Room Deposit Refunds

Room deposits will only be refunded if no repairs and no cleaning are required.

## Summer Camp Grant

A summer camp grant of up to \$2,000 is available for students returning from a summer camp assignment in North America sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist Church and conference-related organizations. The grant is based on 50% of the earnings up to \$1,000 paid to Weimar. The earnings should be forwarded directly to Weimar Institute by the issuing organization.

## Literature Evangelism Scholarship

A scholarship of up to \$2,000 is available for students in an approved literature evangelist program during the summer. The scholarship is available in the form of tuition reduction applied to the student's account, and matches 50% of all monies forwarded to the academy by the conference or publishing entity. Half of the scholarship money will be applied each semester of the school year that the student is enrolled as a full-time student. Should the student leave school, any credit balance up to the amount of the scholarship will not be refunded to the student, but will be returned to the Literature Evangelism Scholarship.

## Mission Trip Funding

Service is at the core of the Weimar experience. We are passionate about serving our Creator and fellow man in various ways during the year. One major way in which we serve is through our annual mission trips. Typically, we travel both domestically and internationally to different parts of the world as we fulfill the Gospel commission that our Lord gave us in Matthew 28. Our students have opportunities to lead out in construction projects, evangelistic series, health clinics, and to teach others about the love of Jesus Christ. These experiences are life-changing, and every student who attends Weimar Academy participates in them each year. Students are expected to raise the money for their trip and can do so by personally working outside jobs, soliciting funds from others, etc. Our trip costs typically start around \$900 and can go above \$2500 depending on the destination. Any outstanding balance for mission trip fundraising at the time of the trip will be charged to the student account to be paid with the next month's tuition. Any overage received will stay in the mission trip fund.

## → Admissions

Weimar Academy provides an environment of positive Christian living and a strong educational program, primarily for students who are affiliated with the Seventh-day Adventist Church. However, any young person who shares the philosophy of Weimar Academy and who chooses to live according to the same Biblical principles is welcome to apply. Many high schools offer a purely academic program. Along with having strong academics, Weimar's program is unapologetically geared toward helping young people reach their full potential: "Higher than the highest human thought can reach is God's ideal for His children." Education p18

### Questions

The following questions will assist you, as a potential student (or parent), to determine whether you (or your child) would benefit from Weimar Academy's unique program:

1. Have you accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Friend or are you actively seeking or desiring such a relationship? Do you devote some time each day to learning more about Him and seeking His guidance in your life?
2. Does your previous classwork reflect your best efforts? Does your sense of duty and responsibility to yourself and your supporters encourage you to do and be your best, by God's grace?
3. Are you willing to get your hands dirty if necessary and cheerfully do whatever job or community outreach is assigned to you? Will you meet your appointments on time, regardless of your mood at that moment? Will you speak positive words of encouragement to others rather than negative ones?
4. Weimar Academy's guidelines on dress, food, music, social relationships, and other issues are unique. They are Biblically-based and designed to nurture a deeper desire for and understanding of God and eternal realities. Are you willing to lay aside any habits, or desires that would hinder your relationship with God? Are you willing to appear different when the world's

styles or practices conflict with Christian modesty and propriety? Are you willing to test the results of a more healthful diet and lifestyle?

## Steps

The Student Application and related documents are all available online at <https://weimaracademy.org/new-students/> or through the Apply button at <https://weimaracademy.org>

If you would like an electronic copy of the documents sent to you, please contact us by email at [academy@weimar.org](mailto:academy@weimar.org) or call us at 530-422-7961.

The steps you will need to take are as follows:

### 1. Application

- a. Complete Student Application found on <https://weimaracademy.org/new-application/>
- b. Thoughtfully complete student and parent essay.
- c. Complete financial worksheet. Sponsor forms are available.

### 2. References

- a. Each of the following 3 persons must complete a reference form:
  - i. Teacher that has taught you within 2 years
  - ii. Non-family member that knows you on a personal basis
  - iii. Current or most recent work supervisor.
- b. Transcripts from no further back than 7th grade must be emailed to the Weimar Academy Registrar. A request form is on our website.

### 3. Medical Records & Immunizations

- a. Students must submit an official copy of updated immunization records.
- b. Students coming for the first time must submit an up-to-date medical exam report as well.

### 4. Application Fee

- a. First-time applicants must submit a nonrefundable \$75 application fee online, by mail or over the phone.

### 5. Submission

- a. Submit the admissions forms along with other requested documents:
  - i. Online: <https://weimaracademy.org/new-application/>
  - ii. Mail: Director of Admissions, Weimar Academy, P.O. Box 486, Weimar, CA 95736
  - iii. Email: [academy@weimar.org](mailto:academy@weimar.org)

## **6. Interview**

- a. When all Admissions documents have been received, you will be notified and an interview (by Zoom or in person) will be scheduled. The interview will be conducted by the appropriate dean and/or another qualified staff member. This interview is designed to determine the fit between you and Weimar Academy.
- b. Acceptance to Weimar Academy is based on the student's answers to questions on the application form, the personal interview, grades from previous schools, references from teachers and other adults, and financial accountability.

## **Special Needs Students**

Weimar Academy has limited resources to support exceptional students. Therefore, the school may not be able to accept students with significant spiritual, educational, physical, mental, or social challenges.

## **Non-Discrimination Policy**

Weimar Academy admits students of any race, color, nationality or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities made available to students at the school. No administrative discrimination for educational policies, scholarships, work-education, extracurricular activities, or any school program is allowed.

## **Home Scholars**

Weimar Academy welcomes applications from young people who have been properly home schooled. Please follow up with the registrar for details regarding credit transfers.

## International Students

The Academy is authorized under federal law to enroll non-immigrant alien students. The school welcomes international students who would like to learn and study on its campus. Transcripts and proficiency tests will determine a student's grade placement. Applicants from outside the United States should expect the application process to take extra time and should plan accordingly when applying. Any student whose parent or guardian is not a permanent or long-term resident in the United States is highly recommended to have a US-based sponsor family that will act as the student's guardian and provide a home for the student during home leaves and vacations.

## Obtaining a Student Visa

Applying for a student visa must be done after acceptance to Weimar Academy, and upon receipt of an official Acceptance Letter and I-20 document. The admissions process should be completed early, as it takes time to obtain a student visa. In order to qualify for a visa, the student must:

1. Be willing to take a full class load.
2. Participate in the vocational education program for the required hours each week.
3. Prove the ability to pay for study before coming to this country.

## Registration Procedures

All students should register on the day indicated on the school calendar and begin classes on the scheduled first day of the semester. Students who register two

weeks or more past the beginning of the semester will be permitted to carry a full academic load only with the permission of the Administration.

## Returning Students

Current students wishing to attend the following year will need to submit their re-application paperwork by March 31st, have their current year's bill paid in full, and a \$250 non-refundable deposit made before May 1, in order to secure their spot for the following year at the Academy. Late deposits will incur an additional late fee of \$300. It is important that we have accurate numbers for the school year as soon as possible so we can prepare accordingly.

## → Campus Life

At Weimar Academy, we seek a healthy balance of spiritual, academic, vocational and social training centered on Christ. School should be a joy to each student: we desire to foster a positive atmosphere in which our young people can thrive.

Some students may have the temptation to spend too much time socializing, which interferes with the primary purposes for being in the Academy. We encourage a reasonable balance in this area.

We take the development of interpersonal skills and social responsibilities seriously. Social education is an important preparation for successful Christian ministry and for a stable Christian home. Students should not be so preoccupied with their study program that they fail to develop friendships with other students and Academy staff.

While social development is largely a personal responsibility, the Academy has specifically addressed several areas of social interaction in this section.

### Campus Partners

The administration and faculty of Weimar Academy, “parents” away from home, bring encouragement to students and initiate wise counsel as needed. They also act in each student’s best interest according to their level of maturity.

### Discipline Policy

If guidelines are disregarded, Weimar Academy retains the right to take disciplinary actions that we deem are in the best interest of the student and the school. When disciplinary issues arise, we follow the 3–step process listed on the right. More serious offenses by students may result in immediate disciplinary action.

Please note that although this is a 3–step process, much communication, prayer, and heart work is done in between, and before a student is placed on a step:

1. A verbal and written warning will be given to the students and their parents.
2. A meeting will occur with the staff, parents and student to discuss the situation and corresponding disciplinary consequences.
3. A meeting will occur with the staff, parents and student to discuss the future of the student at Weimar Academy.

Once again, the educational experience at the Academy is one that allows for the utmost development of spiritual, mental, physical, and social development. Student choices can allow these years to be the best of their lives.

## Dating Policy

Our goal at Weimar Academy is to foster and promote healthy friendships for all of our students. We have set up standards here that we hope will promote this principle.

Weimar Academy students are educated to pursue romantic relationships at the right time and place, with proper biblical guidance. Students that decide to disregard this policy and pursue a relationship will be addressed using our discipline policy. Certain actions by students may result in skipping one or more steps in the discipline policy. We encourage our students to fasten their affections on God, and trust in His plans for them.

“Take delight in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart.” Psalm 37:4

“Commit your way to the Lord, trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass.” Psalm 37:5

“While at school, students should not allow their minds to become confused by thoughts of courtship. They are there to gain a fitness to work for God, and this thought is ever to be uppermost.” CT100

## Evidences of an Inappropriate relationship

1. Spending time almost exclusively with one person, with little time for others.
2. Missing or arriving late for appointments (work/classes) because of a special friend.
3. Spending more than the average time talking to one person either face to face or through media.
4. Disregarding Weimar Academy's general social guidelines.
5. Choosing to go any place at any time that you know to be against social and school guidelines.
6. Using emotional pressure or manipulation in order to keep a special friend.
7. Expressing affection in a physical manner.

## Dress & Personal Appearance

Weimar Academy seeks to heed the following counsel:

“No education can be complete that does not teach right principles in regard to dress.” CG 419

It is important that a Christian campus has a standard of dress. While we want to allow freedom for the individual, the following guidelines help to form our campus culture and must be followed. Students and faculty are asked to dress in a manner that reflects the sacred purposes of Christian living.

All associated with Weimar Academy are expected to positively portray the principles of God's kingdom and enhance the impact of our mission through courteous demeanor and dignified, attractive personal appearance.

“In dress, as in all things else, it is our privilege to honor our Creator. He desires our clothing to be not only neat and healthful, but appropriate and [attractive]” CG p. 413

## Principles of Personal Appearance

Considering Biblical counsel of Christian conduct, Weimar Academy advocates the following principles of personal appearance:

### **Simplicity, Aesthetic Sensitivity and Durability**

Students are to select clothing and hairstyles that express God-given appreciation for beauty, simplicity and durability. They are to avoid carelessness, sloppiness, or untidiness and the opposite extreme of showiness, extravagance, or excessive formality. It is of great importance to also choose quality clothing that is practical, durable and classic.

### **Appropriateness**

Students must wear clothing that is fitting and appropriate to their work and environment. In addition, clothing that advertises or promotes alcoholic beverages, rock group emblems, suggestive slogans, sports teams, guns/rifles or anything out of harmony with Christian standards, is not permitted anytime.

### **Modesty**

Clothing should focus on the entirety of the individual rather than draw attention. It must demonstrate respect to self and others, a sense of mission and security in Christ. Students are to wear clothing that is not form-fitting (tight dresses, skirts, shorts or slacks). The upper portion of the attire must cover the shoulders and the sleeves must be rolled down.

Gentlemen are expected to wear pants at the waist. Ladies should wear skirts, dresses that cover below the knee while standing, sitting, or working, and supplement attractiveness without the use of jewelry or conspicuous cosmetics.

### **Role Distinction**

Students are to wear clothes and hairstyles that emphasize the unique and sacred identities of men and women.

### **Health**

Students are to choose clothing that promotes health. Good circulation is vital to good health. Therefore, they are to avoid tight, restrictive clothing that hinder proper posture as well as exposing arms and legs to the cold.

## School Attire

- Girls**
- Weimar polo top
  - Black, navy blue or dark gray a-line skirt (which covers the knee when sitting, standing or moving)
  - Solid color socks, leggings or tights of the same uniform colors
  - Solid gradients of brown or black (e.g. tan, gray) shoes. A white sole and or logo is an approved exception.
  - Undershirts must be of the same uniform colors if visible.
  - Outerwear must be black and fit within the business casual category.

- Boys**
- Weimar polo top
  - Solid, dark colored belt
  - Black, navy blue, gray or khaki non-denim pants (that have only inside pockets)
  - Solid gradients of brown or black (e.g. tan, gray) shoes. A white sole and or logo is an approved exception.
  - Undershirts must be of the same uniform colors if visible.
  - Outerwear must be black and fit within the business casual category.

## Vespers & Church Attire

- Girls**
- Dresses and skirts that cover the knees while sitting, standing or moving.
  - Blouses and sweaters must cover the shoulders (sleeveless tops are allowed only if worn with a sleeved jacket or cardigan)
  - Dress shoes/sandals
  - Any additional layers are accepted if they fit the business professional category.

- Boys**
- Dress shirts are to be worn with ties for church (ties are not required for Friday Evening Vespers)
  - Slacks. No cargo pants
  - Dress shoes
  - Any additional layers are accepted if they fit the business professional category.

## Choir Attire

- Girls**
- Black Uniform Dress
  - Black flats
- Boys**
- White long-sleeve dress shirt
  - Black dress pants
  - Black socks
  - Black dress shoes

## Work & Casual Attire

- Girls & Boys**
- Casual attire for both men and women may include jeans, athletic wear, sweatshirts, t-shirts, and/or knee-length shorts.
  - No graphics.

Navy blue Weimar Academy polos are available for purchase online:

<https://landsend.com/co/account/school-uniforms?launchSearch=true>

## Housing Policy

Students enrolled at Weimar Academy must live in Academy dormitories, not with friends or relatives in the area or in University housing unless they are an approved

village student. Students whose parents are University employees may live with their parents. All non-dormitory students are expected to cooperate with all applicable regulations of the school.

## Deans

The deans are responsible for protecting the rights, safety, and privacy of each resident. Both the head and assistant deans have the right to set specific guidelines that will best provide a safe, pleasant, home and spiritual environment.

## Dormitory Living

Group living situations provide excellent opportunities to practice personal courtesy, cooperation, social responsibility, and thoughtfulness of others' needs. All students should respect the privacy, personal feelings, and personal property of roommates and neighbors. While the Academy desires students to have significant freedom in developing interpersonal relationships, dormitory living requires some guidelines and codes of conduct for efficiency and personal comfort.

## Dorm Rooms

Dormitory rooms are the students' homes away from home. They may decorate to their taste as long as they reflect Christian lifestyle and ideals. Inappropriate magazine pictures, posters, or advertisements should not be brought to the dorm.

Framed pictures or posters of good taste may be used. Please follow up with the dean for mounting pictures to walls and attaching lightweight items to doors. Each student will be assigned a bed, a chest of drawers, a desk, and a closet.

Roommates share equal responsibility for the care and condition of their rooms and furnishings. A \$250 cash deposit must be made at the time of registration to cover

any cleaning, repair or key costs. The deposit will be refunded if the room is returned in original condition.

## Closet and Dresser Storage Space

There is limited closet and dresser space in the dorm. Please make sure you do not bring more than is necessary. We recommend that students plan carefully (call if you have any questions) and bring only the most necessary items for one school year. On the last section of Campus Life, there is a list of things you are allowed/not allowed to bring.

## Curfew

Adequate rest is necessary to properly function in Weimar Academy's schedule. Therefore, bedtime is at 9:30pm. Any exception must be approved by the dean.

## Electrical Items

To ensure safety, meet insurance liability, and avoid the presence of rodents and insects, students are asked not to keep, prepare, or eat food in their dorm rooms. All electrical appliances should be approved by the dean. Curling irons, straighteners, blow dryers, and hot rollers are allowed. Students need to bring their own lamps and light bulbs.

## Roommates

Deans are in charge of assigning roommates and preferences will be considered. Deans do have the right to move students during the year. Requests for roommate changes may be submitted to the dean for consideration. A student may sleep in another student's room only if the dean approves.

## Student Words

The Bible says, “Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones” (Prov. 16:24). Students in their conversation should use pleasant words, and avoid using vulgar (common) and meaningless slang expressions. Casual reference to the Lord’s name or usage of curse words by euphemisms is not becoming of Christian students.

## Laundry Facilities

There are two washers and two dryers that students may use in each dormitory. They are supplied with laundry soap and dryer sheets. Liquid bleach is not allowed in dorm rooms. Washers and dryers are not to be used during Sabbath hours (sundown Friday until sundown Saturday).

## Study Hall Periods

Study hall periods are provided for students each weeknight in the dormitories.

## Telephones

Each dormitory has two phones available exclusively for students. Evenings are the best time to reach most students, either at a dorm or at the Academy Center study hall, but no calls will be accepted during dormitory worship time.

## Pets

Because of our extended homeleaves and mission trip time off, pets are not allowed in the dorms.

## Signing Out

In the case of an emergency at home or elsewhere, the school may need to locate a student immediately. For that reason, students must ask permission and sign out when leaving a dormitory for any reason other than classes, work assignments, worship, or other regularly scheduled Academy activities. Signing out does not imply permission to leave; it is merely a record of destination.

Students who wish to leave the campus with anyone other than a staff member or their immediate family must have written and verbal permission from their parents. Absence from the dormitory at any time without permission will be considered a serious infraction. Leaving the dormitory without permission between 9:00 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. will be grounds for dismissal.

## Room Check

Order is the first law of heaven, where everything is done “decently and in order” 1 Corinthians 14:40. Deans will check dorm rooms routinely and appropriate consequences are given by the dean to ensure cleanliness.

## Town Trips

Town trips for each dorm enable students to purchase personal items. Additional town trips may occur with the dean’s permission and at the student’s expense. The student must secure an approved driver.

For all non-school-related travel, the deans’ permission will be based upon the parents’ written permission slips (signed at registration) that indicate which drivers their students may travel with as well as a verbal approval from the parent.

## Motorized Vehicles

A student who is of legal age, is a licensed driver, and who must have a motorized vehicle at the Academy for transportation to and from home, may complete a request form at registration or upon receipt of license during the year.

All vehicles must remain parked in the assigned student parking area, and the keys must be entrusted to the student's dormitory dean.

Dorm students will only be allowed to use the vehicle for transportation to and from their home during approved breaks.

Staff/Village students will be under their parents' regulations for their personal use of a vehicle outside of school hours. However, the Academy asks that students not transport other students at any time unless prior approval has been given by a staff member. Campus work vehicles may be used with permission from the work supervisor but cannot be used to transport other students except under the supervisor's instructions.

No students are to ride in the back of trucks or on trailers (or any other non-enclosed vehicle). California state law says this is illegal unless seat belts are provided. State law also requires seat belts while riding in any private vehicle on public roadways.

## Non-Motorized Vehicles

Bicycles are a helpful means of transportation from the Academy to the main campus. They may be used freely on roadways but not on lawns or sidewalks. State law and insurance requires that helmets be fastened and worn at all times while riding bikes. For safety's sake, students are not allowed to give rides. Students must assume responsibility for the security of their own bikes. Bicycles may not be ridden after dark unless they are equipped with an appropriate headlight.

All safety signs on campus that apply to vehicles also apply to bicycles.

Hand turning and stopping signals should be used on paved roadways.

Due to insurance regulations, skateboards, Heelys, and scooters are not permitted on campus.

## Music

At Weimar, we love to sing and praise God. Our students are encouraged to sing quality hymns and spiritual songs that uplift and focus on praising Him and Him alone. We believe that sacred choir, vocal, and instrumental music helps you maintain a living connection with God. The entire school is involved in music ministry through choir (orchestra and handbells are optional), and we enjoy serving far and near. We witness the power of sacred music to open people's hearts as we sing for church members, public school students, or strangers in the park.

According to the 18th edition of the SDA church manual p.144, "We should exercise great care in the choice of music in our homes, social gatherings, schools, and churches. Any melody partaking of the nature of jazz, rock, or related hybrid forms, or any language expressing foolish or trivial sentiments, will be shunned." The following styles are related to the hybrid forms of jazz and rock: country, rhythm and blues, hip hop, rap, indie, electronic dance music, pop, soul, and their "Christian" counterparts.

We understand that music is a controversial topic in our society today. Weimar Academy does not wish to make this issue a divisive one, but chooses to focus on the concept of "Something Better" as emphasized throughout the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy. Students who choose to attend the academy, do so with the understanding that this is the direction the academy has chosen to go in and agree to respect that decision, as well as support it.

## Probationary Period

All new students at Weimar Academy are accepted on a probationary basis for the first six weeks of attendance. We desire the student and parents to be happy with their experience at Weimar, and designate this time for both the family and school to evaluate whether the placement is a good match. During this time, the student can be dismissed and a pro-rated portion of their tuition paid, minus the registration fee, will be refunded based on the date of their departure. Weimar Academy may dismiss a student for the following reasons:

1. The student and/or parent/guardian has not cooperated with the Weimar Academy staff regarding the student's discipline needs.
2. The student and/or parent/guardian has not supported the policies stated in the Weimar Academy Handbook.
3. The student has not been fulfilling their academic requirements at the academy.
4. The responsible parent/guardian has been late paying the agreed upon tuition/fees.

## Student Participation

When a student registers for attendance at Weimar Academy, they are expected to participate fully in all planned extracurricular programs (spiritual or social activities and recreational outings).

## Technology & Computers

Technology is a great tool that can be used for God's glory when used properly. Students enrolled at Weimar are trained how to use this technology for the good of everyone. All computers are used on a limited basis and will be provided by the Academy. Please consult the Technology Agreement online for more details.

## Vacation & Home Leaves

All students need to leave the dorms during scheduled home leaves and vacation periods. A student whose home is outside the continental United States needs to have a prearranged host family with whom to stay during home leaves and holidays. Any portion of a day missed surrounding a home leave or outside of it will be subject to the guidelines in the attendance policy. If a situation arises which requires the student to miss time other than during scheduled breaks, parents must make arrangements directly with administration. If the leave is unexcused, it will be the student's responsibility to work with the teacher to see what work can be completed ahead of time or made up, if any. Since transportation of the student will happen out of regular airport/bus station runs, the student will be responsible for arranging their own transportation.

A leave form must be filled out and returned to the dean before a leave begins. We request that all leave forms be submitted one week in advance of your departure date. Failure to do so may result in your leave request being denied. This form will indicate the destination, a contact number while away, the form of transportation to be used, exact days/times of leave/return, and whether Academy assistance to or from the train, bus, or plane terminal is needed.

Students are allowed to leave campus on open weekends. Students whose grades are C or above may get approval to leave if a written request (and parental approval, if necessary) is submitted to the appropriate dean by Thursday prior to the leave. If a student wishes to visit the home of someone other than their parents/guardians during a home leave, a written invitation from the host family and permission from the student's parents must be received by the dean.

The Academy also reserves the right to deny a leave request if the staff deems it to be detrimental to that student in any way. Because students are part of Weimar Academy for the entire school year, the school reserves the right to take disciplinary action if it learns of a student's involvement in inappropriate behavior/activities away from the campus at any time, including home leaves.

## Village & Staff Students

1. Village and staff students must abide by all Academy policies when attending Academy functions, including classes, required work, recreation, and any other activity.
2. Village and staff students are not required to attend dorm worship, but they are required to attend field trips, choir trips, camp-outs and other regularly scheduled activities of the Academy. Village or staff students shall be charged the prevailing meal rates during Academy functions. Students will be charged an activity fee.
3. If a student does not plan to attend a school-scheduled activity, the parents of the student should contact the school with their request before the planned occasion.
4. School functions are part of the student's life and attendance at these activities is required.
5. Before a non-dorm student spends a night in the dormitory, the dean must receive and approve written or verbal permission from the parent or guardian.
6. Dorm students are not to stay overnight in a village or staff student's home, unless receiving permission from the staff prior to the event.
7. Village students must park their vehicles upon arrival in the morning, and may not use them without permission until they drive off-campus at the end of the day. Village students should not allow any other student to drive their car. Village or staff students cannot transport other students in their vehicles, on or taking them off campus, without proper approval from parents and administration.
8. Village students who own cell phones are asked to check them in to their deans or administration while on campus. Cell phones are not to be used while on campus. If cell phones are used on campus, they will be confiscated.

## Visitors

Parents are welcome to attend school functions during the year. Please confirm plans to visit with the dean or the registrar's office. Weekends are the best time for a visit because weekdays are filled with classes, work, and study obligations.

Upon arrival on campus, visitors should check in with the respective dean and inform them if they plan to take a student off campus. Family members of the opposite gender who need to enter a particular dormitory must check with the dean of that dorm first. Visitors should comply with all Weimar Institute and Academy guidelines while on campus.

## Contact Information

Phone: 530-422-7961

Fax: 530-422-7910

E-mail: [academy@weimar.org](mailto:academy@weimar.org)

<http://weimaracademy.org>

Ladies' dorm: (530) 637-4111 Extension: 8100 or 8114

Ladies' Dean: (530) 422-7991

Men's dorm: (530) 637-4111 Extension: 8200 or 8220

Men's Dean: (530) 422-7992

All mail should be addressed to:

Weimar Academy

[Student name]

P.O. Box 486

Weimar, CA 95736

Weimar Institute operates an on-campus mailroom where students can mail letters and packages and purchase stamps. Mail addressed to the students is given to the deans for distribution. Packages sent by UPS or other non-U.S. Postal Service carriers require the following street address:

20601 West Paoli Lane, Weimar, CA 95736.

Come and see us! If you are interested in studying at Weimar Academy and have an opportunity to come for a visit, please call and make plans to stay with us for up to two days. We'll give you a tour of the campus, arrange for you to observe classes,

provide meals, give you a room, and answer your questions. So come and see us! Talk with students and faculty, take a look around, and experience Weimar Academy for yourself.

## What To Bring

- A Bible
- Two sets of twin sheets, a pillow, two pillow cases, and a mattress cover
- A bedspread and blankets (non-electric)
- Towels and washcloths
- Toiletries
- Bathrobe and slippers
- Mending kit
- Water bottle
- Table lamp or study lamp (with bulbs)
- Rain gear (boots/waterproof shoes, raincoat, umbrella)
- Durable, practical walking/hiking shoes
- Wastebasket & Laundry Basket
- Battery-powered alarm clock
- Decorative/family pictures (optional)
- Camping gear (sleeping bag, hiking boots, backpack, flashlight, water bottle, etc.) - If you have a tent and can bring it, please do
- Clothing for school (bring at least 3 Weimar Academy Polos), work, Sabbath, and recreation
- Cold weather clothing & undergarments
- Work Clothes that you do not mind getting stained/dirty
- Ski/Snowboard equipment and clothing (if desired)
- Bicycle and helmet (if desired)
- School Supplies (See School Supply List\*)

## Don't Bring

Examples are given in brackets. The examples are not an exhaustive list, only a generalized illustration of what NOT to bring:

- Fire or explosion-producing materials (firecrackers/matches/cigarette lighters/candles/kerosene lamps/incense/etc)
- Weapons of any kind (only knives 3 inches in length or less are allowed)
- Electronic entertainment (tv's/videos/video or computer games, etc)
- Personal listening devices (DVD players/iPods/mp3 players/boom boxes or stereos/etc)
- Secular and/or "Christian" music recordings that have the same sound and rhythm as secular, contemporary music (CDs/DVDs/mp3s/etc)
- Illegal chemical substances (any prescribed or over-the-counter drugs will be held for the student by the dean)
- Playing cards/games that could lead to gambling
- Novels, whether secular or religious fiction
- Extreme hair coloring that is not your natural color
- Jewelry (pins/necklaces/bracelets/anklets/rings/earrings/friendship bracelets, etc)
- Skateboards
- Refrigerators
- Meat/dairy products/caffeinated drinks (sodas, coffee, teas, etc)
- Tacky clothing that's frayed, patched (old or new), or drags on the ground

# → Academics

## Academic Accountability

Students with a combination of any two D's or F's at the end of the quarter will earn academic probation. If a student earns academic probation for two consecutive grading periods, the student may be asked to withdraw from school. Students with a D or F in any class will have their extracurricular activities—recreation, town trips, etc.—modified or restricted to allow for more study time. They will also be required to attend a mandatory study hall in the evening.

## Academic Integrity

Students are expected to turn in original work that they have created themselves. Any form of plagiarism or cheating, including the use of AI on an assignment or exam, will not be tolerated. If this behavior occurs, the student must redo the assignment, completing it themselves and submitting it for zero credit. Failure or refusal to do so could result in their dismissal from the academy. Weimar Academy will not condone dishonesty and reserves the right to discipline this type of behavior in whatever manner it deems best, including up to expulsion from the academy.

## Acceleration

Weimar Academy understands that people learn in different ways and at different rates. Students seeking to finish high school at a faster pace can submit an acceleration request to the academic standards committee. The request should include written permission from their parent or guardian and include a detailed plan of how they will achieve their goal. Once all of this information is submitted to the

committee, a decision will be made and the applicant will be notified of the committee's decision in writing.

## Add/Drop Classes

Students are responsible for making desired program changes with the registrar. Classes may be added until the end of the second week and dropped until the end of the third week of each semester.

Add/drop: The student adds/drops a class after securing the registrar's and the appropriate teacher(s) approval.

## Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend all of their scheduled appointments while at Weimar. Our attendance policy is available on our website and should be read in order to understand the details of the policy.

## Challenging a Course

Students interested in taking a challenge exam are requested to meet with the Registrar to schedule the exam. In order for a student to successfully pass a challenge exam, they must receive a score of 75% or above. If a student successfully challenges a class, the student will be given a "CR" (for Credit) and it will be recorded on their transcript. Passed challenge exams are to be kept in the student's cumulative folder, failed exams may be disposed of after 30 days. Challenged classes will not be included in the calculation of the student's GPA, but will count towards required credits. Students may challenge two courses available for them to take at Weimar Academy. Any exceptions must be approved by the academic standards committee. Any request for additional retakes of challenge exams will be reviewed and a decision rendered by the academic standards committee. Staff members will not be held responsible for tutoring for these tests.

Challenge exams will be developed/selected by Weimar Academy faculty with expertise in the requested course.

## Correspondence/Summer Work Grade Reports

Registered students desiring to take a correspondence, online, or summer school course for academic credit to be transferred to Weimar Academy should submit a written request to the registrar prior to applying for such work. Credit is not guaranteed and will not be given until approved by the academic standards committee.

All courses required for graduation from Weimar Academy must be earned from approved schools and completed. Grades/transcripts must be received by March 31, unless preapproved by the registrar.

Each school year is divided into two semesters. At the mid-point of each semester, progress reports will be sent to the students and their parents/guardians. Semester grades are used to determine the student's official grade point average that will appear on their transcript. Grades can always be checked on our online grading program.

## Incomplete/Back Assignments

Students will have the opportunity to make up work missed for excused absences. The student is responsible to obtain make-up work from the teacher. Discuss with the teacher what the conditions are for making up work. If the absence is unexcused, make-up work may or may not be allowed at the teacher's discretion. An incomplete grade (I) will be given only in the case of an extended excused absence (major illness or family emergency).

## Grading System

Weimar Academy uses a standard grade point average (GPA) system. Other grades may include:

WP—withdrew passing

WF—withdrew failing.

## Student Leadership

Students seeking election to student leadership or to serve as members of administrative or academic committees must be approved by the staff.

Once elected, they must consistently support Weimar Academy's principles and maintain at least a 3.25 GPA. Students in leadership positions must maintain these standards throughout their term of service.

## Transcripts

Weimar Academy typically accepts all transfer credits from approved accredited sources. The acceptance of credits from non-accredited school settings will require the submission of a course validation form available from the registrar. Approved non-accredited credits as well as international credits will count towards meeting your graduation credit requirements at Weimar Academy, but will be excluded when factoring your official Weimar Academy GPA.

Weimar Academy issues transcripts of a previous student's academic records upon receiving a written request from the student or from the school the student wishes to attend.

Transcripts and grades will be issued as long as the student has a zero balance on their account.

## Work Education

### Program

Weimar Academy seeks to train our students in developing an excellent work ethic. Students will be involved in several training opportunities to give them a breadth of

exposure in the work place. Job placement for each student is decided by the work education director and the academy administration.

### **Units**

Academic credit is earned for every semester the student is involved in the Work Education program. The student's work grade will be based on the supervisor's evaluation, which includes attendance, focus and accomplishment of work assigned by the work supervisor. Every student is enrolled in work education and the credits are required to graduate.

## **College Credit Classes**

Students have the opportunity to take courses through Weimar University and will receive dual credit both in the academy as well as the University. There are fees associated with this that can be clarified through the registrar's office or the University.

## **Diploma Requirements**

### General Education Diploma

A Weimar Academy general diploma requires the completion of 220 credits with a minimum GPA of 2.0. Many colleges/universities will permit a general diploma to meet their entrance requirements. The 220 credits for a general diploma (10 units equal to 1 year of coursework) will include the following:

40 credits of English	20 credits of Math (Algebra I required)
10 credits of Foreign Language	20 credits of Science (Biology or equivalent required)
5 credits of Government	20 credits Social Studies (US & World Hist. required)
5 credits of Economics	10 credits of Computer Science

10 credits of Health/Equivalent

80 elective credits\*\*

\*\*All Students are required to take and pass the following classes every year they attend Weimar Academy: Bible | Agriculture/Life Skills | Work Education | Music

## College Preparatory Diploma

Weimar Academy offers a college preparatory program designed to meet college/university entrance requirements. Students should plan their programs so they meet the specific requirements of the colleges/universities they plan to attend. A college preparatory diploma is earned upon completion of 250 units with a minimum GPA of 3.0. The 250 units (10 units equal to 1 year of coursework) include the following:

40 credits of English

40 credits of Math (Algebra I required)

20 credits of Foreign Language

30 credits of Science (Biology or equivalent required)

5 credits of Government

20 credits Social Studies (US &amp; World Hist. required)

5 credits of Economics

10 credits of Computer Science

10 credits of Health/Equivalent

70 elective credits\*\*

\*\*All Students are required to take and pass the following classes every year they attend Weimar Academy: Bible | Agriculture/Life Skills | Work Education | Music

## Class Offerings

English I-IV	US History
Bible I-IV	Government
Algebra I/II	Economics
Geometry	Computers
Pre-Calculus	Spanish I/II
Anatomy & Physiology	Agriculture
Biology	Choir/Orchestra
Chemistry	Work Education
Physics	Fitness
World History	Health
Entrepreneurship	

## Suggested 4-Year Plan for Weimar Academy Students

<b>Freshman</b>	<b>Sophomore</b>	<b>Junior</b>	<b>Senior</b>
English I	English II	English III	English IV
Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	College Pre-Calculus
Bible I	Bible II	Bible III	Bible IV
Health	Biology	Chemistry	Physics

Life skills	GC I (World History)	GC II (US History)	Government
Computers	Spanish II	Agriculture	Economics
Spanish I			Agriculture

Weimar Academy reserves the right to make amendments to this handbook at any time.