

CORNERSTONE COLLEGE (NPC)

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SCHOOL PROSPECTUS, 2025

INDEPENDENT COMBINED SCHOOL (GRADES R - 12), SILVERTON, PRETORIA

MISSION STATEMENT

The education of the whole person, in an atmosphere of excellence and integrity, to the glory of God.



OUR ETHOS:

WE PROVIDE

- Values-based education
- Beautiful and professional premises
- Superb Matric pass rate for 26 years (100% from 1998 to 2023)
- Matric exemption rate (university entrance/bachelor passes) exceeding 90%
- Fully-qualified and experienced teachers
- Average teaching experience of educators: 16 years
- A constructive and disciplined academic atmosphere
- An excellent teacher-learner ratio (smaller classes)
- A caring environment, with dedicated teachers
- Free use of the school's textbooks
- Fully-equipped classrooms
- Supervised homework sessions and extra tuition
- Free extra lessons in the afternoons, as timetabled
- A well-stocked library, with computers
- Remedial facilities and career guidance
- Ongoing communication with parents and guardians
- Involvement in, and commitment to, the local community
- A wide range of extra-mural activities (Sports & Cultural)
- Christian ethos
- Uninterrupted schooling
- Three large and modern computer centres with internet
- Excellent hostel (Grades 7 12)
- Learner Counselling
- Study Methods Courses
- Life-skills and entrepreneurial training
- Well-equipped gym
- Fully-equipped Science laboratory
- Remedial Maths, English and Afrikaans computer courses
- Participation in National Eisteddfod
- Leadership and team-building camps
- Environmental education
- Drive-through facility for the safe dropping off and collection of learners
- Independence from load shedding due to our substantial generator and inverter/battery system

Cornerstone College is an open combined school, which aims at the highest educational and ethical standards. We are registered with the Gauteng Department of Education (220582) and we are a registered examination centre. We are accredited by Umalusi, the Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education and Training, accreditation number 17 SCH01 00254.

CURRICULUM

The national CAPS syllabi are followed in all subjects and grades. The pupils are taught in English. The matriculants write their final examinations in October and November 2025.

Subjects offered for Grades R to 3 (Foundation Phase) follow the Department of Basic Education (DBE) guidelines.

The Grade 4 – 6 learners (Intermediate Phase) are obliged by the DBE to take the following subjects:

- English
- Afrikaans
- Mathematics
- Social Sciences (History & Geography)
- Natural Sciences (Science & Biology) and Technology (including computers)
- Life-Skills (Creative Arts, Phys. Ed., Personal well-being)

The Grade 7 - 9 learners are obliged by the DBE to take the following subjects:

- English Home Language
- Afrikaans First Additional Language (FAL) or
 - African Language (FAL) (Grades 8 9)
- Economic & Management Sciences (EMS)
- Social Sciences (History & Geography) (SS)
- Mathematics
- Natural Sciences (Physical Science & Biology) (NS)
- Creative Arts (CA)
- Life Orientation and Phys. Ed. (LO)
- Technology (Design and Computers) (Tech)

The Purple Mash (Grades R-7), Mathletics and Lector Reading (Grades 8-9) computerised courses are compulsory.

We offer the following subjects to Grade 10 – 12 (FET) learners:

- [®]English (Home Language)
- English (1st Additional Language)
- Afrikaans (1st Additional Language)
- Sepedi (Home and FAL)
- Isizulu (Home and FAL)
- [®]Mathematics
- Mathematical Literacy
- Computer Application Technology (CAT)
- [®]Information Technology (IT)

- Life Sciences (Biology)
- [®]Physical Science
- Geography
- Life Orientation
- Business Studies
- Economics
- [®]Accounting
- History

Grade 10 - 12 learners have a choice of 7 subjects, 2 of which must be languages, including a Home Language. Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy AND Life Orientation are compulsory.

Learners who do not meet the expectations of a certain grade/subject will be moved to a more appropriate grade/subject. New learners may be interviewed before registration.

Please make sure that you collect the list of compulsory stationery requirements upon registration.

BOARDING SCHOOL

We offer limited, supervised boarding facilities for well-behaved learners in Grades 7 to 12. Please ask for the Hostel Prospectus.

LEARNER-TEACHER RATIO

To ensure personal attention for each learner, our classes are smaller than the national average. Please note that a specific grade or subject will be introduced and continued only if an acceptable minimum number of pupils is assured.

VENUE:

Cornerstone College

530 Moreleta Street Silverton, Pretoria Tel: 012 804 8350

We are close to the Silverton Railway Station and bus routes, to reduce your transport costs.

[®]Conditional upon previous year's marks/entrance tests could apply

SCHOOL TERMS AND HOURS:

Office hours: Mondays to Thursdays: 7:15am - 3:45pm

7:15am - 2:00pm Fridays:

The office closes half an hour after school closes for long weekends and school holidays.

School hours: Mondays to Thursdays: 7:45am – 1:00pm (Grades R to 3)

Mondays to Thursdays: 7:45am – 1:30pm (Grades 4 to 7) Fridays: 7:45am - 1:00pm (Grades R to 3) 7:45am - 1:15pm (Grades 4 to 7)

Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays: 7:45am – 1:45pm (Grades 8 to 12) 7:45am - 2:00pm (Grades 8 to 12)

Wednesdays: Fridays: 7:45am - 1:30pm (Grades 8 to 12)

After-care centre (Grades R to 7):

Mondays to Thursdays: 1:30pm - 5:15pm Fridays: 1:00pm - 5:15pm

Compulsory extra murals, homework, extra tuition and disciplinary sessions:

Mondays to Thursdays: 1:15pm – 2:00pm (Grades R to 3) Mondays to Thursdays: 1:45pm - 2:30pm (Grades 4 to 7)

Mondays to Fridays: 2:15pm – 3:30pm or later, as required (Grades 8 to 12) Saturdays: 8:00am – 1:00pm or later, as required (Grades 8 to 12) 2:00pm - 5:00pm for Grade 12 extra study as required.

Formal Detention: 1:15pm – 2:00pm on Friday afternoons (Grades R to 7)

School meetings or functions: Weekdays, evenings or Saturdays as required.

Term dates and holidays in 2025:

Monday 13 January – Thursday 27 March (Grades 8 – 12) 1st Term:

Tuesday 14 January – Thursday 27 March (Grades R – 7)

2nd Term: Tuesday 8 April - Friday 27 June 3rd Term: Monday 21 July - Thursday 2 October 4th Term: Tuesday 14 Oct Friday 5 December

School Holidays: Friday 14 February

Tuesday 29 & Wednesday 30 April, Friday 2 May

Friday 8 August

Primary School new parents' orientation and new learners' welcome party (Grades R-7): Monday 13 January 2025 at 9:00am in the primary school hall.

High School new parents' orientation (Grades 8 – 12): Friday 10 January 2025 at 12:00 noon in the high school hall.

UNIFORM:

GIRLS AND BOYS (Grades R to 3)

Plain navy blue PT shorts° (summer), grey school slacks° or trousers° (not skinny, winter), school golf shirt*, school tracksuit*, white ankle socks° (girls), long grey socks° (boys), black school shoes° or black takkies°. Grey school jersey°, sleeveless pullover*, School tracksuit* in winter (with plain black/white running shoes° or black school shoes°), or green Drimac*.

GIRLS (Grades 4 to 12)

Grey school skirt°/trousers° (not skinny) / Bermuda shorts*, white shirt with badge* (long-sleeved or short-sleeved), green school tie*, name badge*, grey jersey° or sleeveless pullover with badge*, school tracksuit* in winter (with plain black/white running shoes° or black school shoes°), white ankle socks°, black school shoes°, Drimac* or Blazer*

BOYS (Grades 4 to 12)

Grey trousers° (not skinny) / Bermuda shorts*, white shirt with badge* (long-sleeved or short-sleeved), green school tie*, name badge*, grey jersey° or sleeveless pullover with badge*, school tracksuit* in winter (with plain black/white running shoes° or black school shoes°), long grey socks°, black school shoes°, Drimac* or Blazer*

Grey jerseys° or sleeveless pullovers*, blazers* or green Drimacs* are compulsory in winter. Beanies*, scarves* and gloves* are available for cold weather. A selection of optional uniform alternatives* will be offered in 2025.

A **fully reinforced school bag**° **or hard case**° **is compulsory** in order to protect the school's textbooks. Textbooks will be confiscated if they are not cared for correctly.

- * Available from the school's uniform shop
- ° These items are not available from the school and must be purchased separately.

APPLICATION:

To apply to join our school fill in the application form, read the Procedures Brochure carefully, sign two contracts and submit them with the application fee, application form, and subject choice form. Please also provide the originals of the ID documents of the parent and child, the pupil's latest report, the transfer letter and testimonial from the previous school and the study permit (if applicable). Copies will be made by the administration staff for the school's records.

The application is not successful until the originals of the above documents and the final end of year report have been approved by the Principal, the parent and child have attended the Orientation Session and the paperwork has been properly completed and signed by the parent or court-appointed guardian. Registrations are not valid if there is an unpaid debt at a previous school or hostel. Incorrect, incomplete or misleading details or an undisclosed debt at a previous school or hostel will render the registration and contract null and void.

Admission, the Grade offered and the subject choices (Grades 8 - 12) are at the sole discretion of the Principal.

No learner may choose a subject which he/she has failed in the previous year.

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR CHILD ONLY IF HE/SHE WILL BE CO-OPERATIVE, POSITIVE AND HARD-WORKING.

PARENTS NEED TO RESPECT THE PROFESSIONALISM OF ALL STAFF.

RIGHT OF ADMISSION RESERVED.

2025 FEE STRUCTURE

Fees (and other sundry expenses) are payable when due, and the account must be settled at the end of each month

	After-Care	Grades R-1	Grades 2-7	Grades 8-12
* Application fee		R630	R700	R700
Sibling (i.e. brother or sister)		R630	R630	R630
Monthly x 11 (Grade 12 in advance only)	R1 230	R2 850	R3 160	R3 940
Sibling Monthly	R1 110	R2 850	R2 850	R3 550
Monthly x 10 (Grade 12)				R4 360
Sibling Monthly				R3 930
Biannual (January & June)		R15 260	R16 950	R20 840
Sibling Biannual		R15 260	R15 260	R18 760
Annual (January)	R13 070	R29 570	R32 850	R40 500
Sibling Annual	R11 760	R29 570	R29 570	R36 450

^{*2024} pupils will not be charged an application fee.

The sibling rate is applied to the fees of the older sibling, on application. Children of past Matriculants of Cornerstone College also qualify for the sibling rate, on application.

The mid-month payment of fees is acceptable only if payment is made in advance.

We reserve the right to change the fees if the GDE subsidy is not paid to the school for any reason whatsoever.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE APPLICATION FEE IS NOT REFUNDABLE.

STUDY PERMITS FOR CORNERSTONE COLLEGE VALID FOR THE WHOLE YEAR ARE ESSENTIAL FOR FOREIGN LEARNERS, BEFORE ARRIVAL AND BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.

REGISTRATION FOR 2025:

Grades R - 12: From May 2024 to March 2025 or when classes are full.

Registration lapses after 5 days of non-arrival after the first day of school or date of registration (if registration is after the first day of school).

ENQUIRIES:

Telephone: 012 804 8350

E-mail address: admin@corncol.co.za

Or make an appointment to visit us at:

Cornerstone College 530 Moreleta Street

Silverton Pretoria

Or write to: Private Bag X1840

Silverton 0127

Web site: www.cornerstonecollege.org.za

Facebook: Cornerstone College, Pretoria SA

<u>Instagram</u>: Cornerstone College, Pretoria

Bank Details: Nedbank, Silverton

Branch Code: 198765

Account number: 102 041 6238

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young people!

