

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN SUMMARY

June 2022-June 2028 Accreditation Term

OVCA exists to glorify God by equipping students SPIRITUALLY, ACADEMICALLY, SOCIALLY, and PHYSICALLY.

WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT OUR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

- Grades 9-12 at OVCA are accredited with both ACSI (Association of Christian Schools International) and WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges).
- This cycle's School Improvement Plan (SIP) was a result of our Fall/Winter 2021 self-study and the March 2022 follow-up accreditation visit from a committee of Christian school administrators.
- Each accreditation visit results in recommendations for improvement to be addressed in our six-year term of accreditation (or "accreditation cycle").
- The three recommendations from the Visiting Committee aligned with the three major goals we drafted in our original School Improvement Plan.
- As a school, we are to revisit our SIP and make adjustments as needed.
- Each of the three major goals includes action steps for meeting the goal. We provide an annual update explaining to ACSI what action steps we have accomplished.
- Below you will find each Visiting Committee recommendation for improvement, the Committee's explanation, the OVCA Goal that goes with it, and examples of how we have grown to meet the goal.

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Entire Plan Reviewed October 2023 and February 2024

Area of Improvement #1 Integration of Goals and Benchmarks

Visiting Committee Major Recommendation #1: Seek to make the benchmarks more visible to the school community and then make use of them as evaluative tools more effectively. (ACSI Indicator 1.3; WASC

Criteria A1) The Visiting Committee says: "The foundational documents have been well done and are being used. In order that they can be used as "examining devices," the school has created benchmarks for each of its School-wide goals. The self-study indicated, however, that these benchmarks had not been clearly communicated and therefore not most effectively used. Actually implementing these benchmarks would prove very beneficial to the inculcation of the school's philosophy with all stakeholders." (self-study, p. 24; conversations with faculty)

OVCA Goal One: Refine the integration and assessment of our four schoolwide goals and benchmarks.

Examples of growth on this goal: Hiring of a school counselor, High School Retreat brought back, addition of Academic Integrity Statement, and a mentoring program along with formal teams for mutual encouragement of teachers, implemented a strategic system for intervention, enrichment, and extension as well as a system for tracking individual student needs; created a system for 24/7 student prayer, spiritual, and crisis support.

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Area of Improvement #2 Goals and Benchmarks Reflected in Course Plans

Visiting Committee Major Recommendation #2: Develop a systematic plan to organize, update, and make easily accessible all curricular documents (curriculum review matrix/ schedule, curriculum maps, scope and sequence, pacing guides, and daily lesson plans) for regular review of subject area materials. (ACSI Indicator 5.2; WASC Criteria B1, B2, and B3)

As each core subject area is currently in the process of modifying the CSSs to include OVCA's instructional philosophy and biblical worldview, further development of curricular documents within the school's curriculum review cycle should enable faculty to ensure vertical alignment and adherence to school's curriculum policies. (review of curriculum documents; review of curriculum policies, procedures, and development documents; interviews with faculty and administration)

<u>OVCA Goal Two:</u> Complete the overhaul of the department and course planning documents so that OVCA courses are further aligned with goals and benchmarks, accessible to teachers, and a resource for planning, revision, and program enrichment.

Examples of growth on this goal: Additional courses submitted to UC, accepted, and added to our options; Implementation of a systematic approach to planning has begun; Planning for focus on further teacher work on documents.

Area of Improvement #3: Infrastructure

Visiting Committee Recommendation #3: Participate in plans for expansion and improvement of facilities and equipment related to shared spaces and buildings on the Ocean View Church campus. (ACSI Indicator 6.11, 6.12, 6.13, and 6.14; WASC Criteria A5)

As the largest ministry of OVC, the school is greatly impacted by the development of the campus facilities, and school faculty, staff, and administration are able to provide feedback to church leadership when new building projects or updates to field space are being considered and planned. (interviews with faculty, administration, and students; tour of athletic buildings and fields; review of church development plans)

<u>OVCA Goal Three:</u> Follow through on plans for expansion and improvement of training, facilities, personnel, and equipment.

Examples of growth on this goal: Experienced security officers hired and on site throughout school day, hiring of a school counselor; hiring of an office aide on call to assist teachers; hiring of an staff member to help facilitate development and advancement; new tech programs such as GoGuardian, with teacher training; modular building in full use; applications placed for grants in campus security and science; school utilization of new campus additions such as the soccer arena; work has begun to revise and improve the OVCA Master Plan; planning has begun to establish a board level advisory team that will help inform school initiatives such as the revision of the Technology Plan;