

#### **BRIEF HISTORY**

## A DREAM COME TRUE

Establishing a school has been a childhood dream of the Chairman of the Board, Mr. Edgardo S. Dela Cruz, the founder and current President of Accelerated Christian International School. Way back in 1965 during his elementary school days, he was so inspired by one of his lady teachers, Ms. Ligaya Bartolome, who kindled this dream in his heart and mind. He believes that, with a good teacher and a conducive school environment, school children will be fascinated in learning.

After spending 30 years as just a dream, the Accelerated Christian International School was organized by Mr. Dela Cruz together with his siblings and in-laws, who served as the first Board of Directors. His wife, Prof. Alma M. Dela Cruz, as Administrator began its operation in 1995 with only 33 pupils and two teachers. It officially started its operation on June 5, 1995, initially offering Nursery, Kinder and Preparatory of the Pre-Elementary Curriculum and Grade 1 level of the Elementary Curriculum.

The realization of the dream was revealed when the family transferred their place of residence to Munoz in 1992, after staying in CLSU for 13 years. It was then that his wife, Prof. Alma M. Dela Cruz came across a newly developed subdivision, the Villa Antonia Homes. Every afternoon she would bike from their house at Teachers' Village just to catch a glimpse of the newly built houses in the place. She had wished that one day her family would be occupying one of the cute bungalows as their residence. She had never thought that God has planted an aspiration in her heart that would soon be fulfilled.

The school was established primarily to serve the school children in the Science City of Munoz because there was only one private elementary school then, but more importantly, the Dela Cruz's family was in dire need of a school which could cater to their 3<sup>rd</sup> son who at that time is suffering from epilepsy. He needed special attention and care so he was the sole pupil in the Grade 1 level. That child is now a Medical Doctor, inspired by his parents, he pursued his passion to help children afflicted with the same disease and disability.

Since 2005, the school has produced twenty (20) elementary graduates who had qualified and graduated as "Iskolar ng Bayan" at the Philippine Science High School. A feat no other school in the Science City of Munoz has surpassed. The school is also proud of its alumni, already with six (6) physicians and numerous engineers (mechanical and geological), nurses, teachers, medical technologist, accountants, lawyers, etc.

Amid challenging circumstances brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, the school will continue to heed the call of facilitating the continuity of education and make the delivery of quality education accessible to all through various alternative modalities for learning under the new normal.

### **OUR SCHOOL STATEMENT**

The ACCELERATED CHRISTIAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL aims to become a model institution of learning by educating children using the most advanced educational package that will enrich them with knowledge, understanding and wisdom so that they may effectively contribute to nation-building.

Let your children have the ACIS EDGE:

- **E** EDUCATION
- **D** DEVELOPMENT
- G GOD'S LOVE
- **E** EXCELLENCE

## **OUR SCHOOL OBJECTIVES**

- 1. To develop the child in all aspects (physical, social, moral, spiritual, emotional and cognitive) so that they may be better prepared to achieve the best in life.
- 2. To equip the child with the most advanced educational package that provides knowledge, understanding and wisdom so that he may think well, act responsibly and live wisely.
- 3. To direct and guide the child and allow him to develop love for GOD, self, others and community.

# **CURRICULAR PROGRAMS:**

ACIS offers both Pre-Elementary and Elementary curricular programs following the K to 12 basic education program of the Department of Education.

- I. Pre-Elementary
  - a. Nursery
  - b. Kindergarten
  - c. Preparatory
- II. Elementary
  - a. Primary level Grades I III
  - b. Intermediate level Grades IV VI

### DISTINCTIVES OF THE ACIS CURRICULUM MATERIALS:

Since 1995, ACIS has been using curriculum materials under the School of Tomorrow® Philippines System, which provides proven and tested self-directed learning materials known as **Packets** of **Accelerated Christian Education** or **"PACEs"**. These curriculum materials are:

- Completely Individualized program is geared to meet the learning needs of children individually. Whether the student is a high achiever or a moderate-paced learner, the educational process proceeds at the exact level determined by the child's ability.
- Accelerated program utilizes Packets of Accelerated Christian Education (PACE) towards maximum achievement. THE SLOW LEARNER IS NEVER LEFT BEHIND; THE FAST LEARNER IS NEVER HELD BACK!
- High-Tech it uses advanced computer technology to help ensure the finest education possible in today's high-tech climate.
- Mastery-based Individualization makes it possible for each student to master the subject matter before moving on.
- Character Building and Traditional values learning experience incorporates character training and biblical values and concepts that prepares students to welcome and accept challenges and future opportunities that come their way.
- Academic Excellence Individualization produces academic excellence. ACIS students continue to demonstrate excellence especially in English, Math & Science.
- THESE SELF-DIRECTED INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS ARE IN CONFORMITY WITH THE MODULAR DISTANCE LEARNING APPROACH UNDER THE NEW NORMAL.

# **MILESTONES**

- June 3, 1995 Inauguration of 1st School Building (Building A)
- May 16, 1996 SEC Registration of ACIS
- August 31, 1996 Inauguration of a Four (4) classroom Building (Building B)
- July 8, 1997 ACIS received its Government Recognition for the Pre-Elementary Course
- July 10, 1997 ACIS received its Government Recognition for the Elementary Course
- 2001-2005 Construction of a Nine (9) classroom Building (Building C)
- 2003 NEPPESA Spelling Bee Overall Champion
- 2005 NEPPESA Spelling & Math Quizbee Overall Champion
- 2006 National Schools Press Conference 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up Editorial Writing (Ruth S. Regalado)
- 2008 Nueva Ecija Division Quiz Bee in Math, Science & Spelling Overall Champion
- 2010 MAPS Wizard Challenge Overall Champion in Spelling
- 2011 Regional MTAP Qualifier
- 2011 REX Bookstore Great Minds Challenge- Overall Champion, Luzon-wide
- 2011-2012 MAPS Wizard Challenge Overall Champion in Math & Spelling
- 2013 Regional Outstanding Private Elementary School
- 2013 PhiSiclaban Academic Contest Winner (2<sup>nd</sup> Place Over-all)
- 2013 Over-all Champion, MAPS Wizard Challenge (Math, Spelling & Science)
- 2014 National Schools Press Conference Winner (4th place-Editorial Writing, English Category Danella Idelle S. Dela Cruz)
- 2014 Top Scoring School & Over-all Champion 2014 Metrobank-MTAP DepEd
- Math Challenge, Division of Science City of Muñoz
- 2014 Over-all Champion, MAPS Wizard Challenge (Math, Spelling & Science)
- 2013-2014 Rank 1 NAT for Grade 6 (Private School Category)
- 2015 Regional Qualifier for Metrobank-MTAP DepEd Math Challenge, Division of Science City of Muñoz, 2<sup>nd</sup> over-all at the Division Level
- 2005-2020 Produced 20 Graduates who had qualified as scholars at the Philippine Science High School
- 1995 up to present Six (6) alumni are Licensed Physicians and counting...

# **OUR SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND PREMISES**



HUMBLE BEGINNING: SY 1995-96



A FOUR-CLASSROOM BUILDING: SY 1996-97



10 YEARS AFTER A NINE-CLASSROOM BUILDING: SY 2004-2005



OUR SCHOOL CAMPUS AT PRESENT





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