

Indiana State Board of Education Request for Freeway School Accreditation

Board Date: August 1, 2012

School: Lighthouse Christian Academy C927

Education Director: Don Wilson

Address: 1201 W That Road

Bloomington, Indiana 47403-

Grade Span: K-12

Public/Private: Private

Current Enrollment: 236

<u>Targeted Population</u>: Families seeking a quality, faith-based education.

The following executive summary has been compiled by the Office of School Accreditation for use by the Indiana State Board of Education. It includes information presented by the school during the accreditation process, potential legal standard issues, and any other information collected during the process that may impact accreditation.

<u>Identity</u>: Lighthouse Christian Academy, Inc. (LCA) is an interdenominational Christian school, serving students from Kindergarten through 12th grade. Located in Bloomington, Indiana, LCA has students from Monroe, Brown, Greene, Lawrence, Morgan, and Owen counties. Started in the fall of 1991, LCA has just completed its 21st year of operation and has graduated its 11th senior class on May 26, 2012.

<u>Curriculum</u>: Curriculum is reviewed by the Education Committee on a regular cycle. LCA teachers are working to align our curriculum with the Common Core Standards and use them in lesson planning. The overall results attained by our students on the ISTEP+ exams show high levels of success.

<u>Testing History:</u> In 2011, 86% of students passed both Math and Language Arts tests. The school exceeded the state average in each of the past five years.

<u>Staffing</u>: The majority of Lighthouse Christian Academy teachers are fully licensed by the State of Indiana.

Waiver Requests:

- IC 20-30-5-8 Safety education
- IC 20-30-5-9 Health education
- IC 20-30-5-11 Alcohol, tobacco, drugs
- IC 20-26-12-24 Local adoption process; adoption required from state list
- IC 20-26-12-28 Waiver of adoption requirements

<u>Issues</u>: None

<u>Recommendations</u>: Full Five-Year Freeway Accreditation