



# SUMMER BIOLOGY COURSE

## MAY 24 TO JUNE 25, 2021

### Overview

Berean Christian High School is pleased to offer its popular, fully-accredited, college-preparatory Summer Biology course affectionately known as "Summer Bio".

Summer Biology is a survey course designed to enable the student to gain a deep appreciation of how the complex systems of life, and their intricate design, point clearly to God as Creator and Sustainer of all living matter, and that, therefore, man is accountable to God concerning how he lives his life. It is taught in an **intensive, accelerated** format over 5 weeks/24 instructional days, **Monday May 24 through Friday June 25, 2021 (no class on Memorial Day May 31)**. The course fulfills both Berean Christian graduation requirements and college-preparatory course requirements for a high school biology course.

#### **Here are some reasons why this course may be right for you:**

- You want to take as many science courses as you can, and understand that you can free up your schedule to take more science courses during your years at Berean Christian if you can fulfill Biology during the summer.
- You love the idea of completing the equivalent of a year-long course in 5 weeks, and have an academic and behavioral record that demonstrates you are up for the challenge of this accelerated course.
- You will be able to focus on just one course at a time, a course that may prove more difficult when you are juggling six other courses during the regular school year.
- You can lighten your load during the regular school year by fulfilling this graduation requirement in the summer, allowing for more time to be involved in music, drama, student government, cheerleading, sports, and/or clubs.

#### **FACTS**

- The course is fully accredited as a **full year** College Preparatory Biology course, fulfilling both Berean Christian graduation requirements and college admissions requirements.
- Because of the rigors of this accelerated class, to succeed in this course students must:
  - 1. maintain a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0 or above in their current academic classes;**
  - 2. be characterized by focused, non-disruptive classroom behavior;**
  - 3. be comfortable with an exceptionally accelerated pace of learning, where 1-2 science chapters PER DAY are covered and tested**
- all course applications will be reviewed for approval by both the Director of Academic Affairs and the Deans.
- **It is considered a '21-'22 course, and therefore families must pay their student's Berean Christian re-enrollment fee for '21-'22 no later than May 15, 2021** (re-enrollment fee is \$440 January-February, increasing to \$540 after 2/28/21).
- The course will be led by Berean Christian teacher **Mr. Stephen Franklin**, assisted by Berean Christian teacher **Mrs. Yelena Franklin**.

#### **SCHEDULE**

The class is held on the Berean Christian campus, M-F, typically 8:30am—3:00pm, though start and dismissal times are subject to change. **No class on Memorial Day, Monday May 31, 2021.**

School will abide by whatever pandemic safety requirements may be mandated in May-June, which could include familiar measures such as masks, social distancing, and split classrooms. If prevailing conditions permit, there may be several off-campus working field trips, up to one day each week. (If field trips are not possible, additional on-campus labs will be substituted). **Students should bring a daily lunch.**

You can contact teacher Mr. Franklin at [sfranklin@bereanchristian.com](mailto:sfranklin@bereanchristian.com) for additional information about course content and the typical daily schedule.

## **ATTENDANCE & GRADING POLICY (IMPORTANT!)**

Due to the accelerated, intensive nature of the course, students **cannot miss more than one day** in order to fulfill the requirements for receiving credit for the course. **If your family has a May or June trip planned, or if student has other conflicts that would require student to miss more than one day, regretfully this course is NOT a fit for your student.**

Tentative Grading breakdown: Tests & Projects-40%, Labs-30%, Daily work-25%, Pop quizzes-5%

**Missed tests and quizzes cannot be made up. Field trips (if offered) are considered labs and, if missed, may only be made up for a maximum grade of 70%.**

## **COST**

The cost of the 2021 Summer Biology program is **\$1,825**. There are no tuition assistance, ministry, or staff discounts applicable to this course; there is a pay-in-full discount option.

### Payment Plans Available:

- 5-payment option, **\$1,825 total: \$625 initial payment due** with online registration form, plus \$300/month due February–May 2021 (billed on family incidental billing account due the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month)
- Payment in full, **with \$50 discount: \$1,775 due** with online registration form

## **CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY**

**Please carefully review your May & June 2021 family calendar for conflicts BEFORE enrolling** in Summer Biology; due to various irrevocable contracts Berean Christian enters into over the coming months in order to be able to offer this unique course, **our refund policy upon cancellation is by necessity very strict**, and a family's refund amount, if any, is based upon date that **emailed cancellation notice** is received:

<u>Cancellation by:</u>	<u>Family will forfeit/owe:</u>
January 31, 2021	\$325
February 28, 2021	\$625
March 31, 2021	\$925
April 30, 2021	\$1,225
May 15, 2021	\$1,525
No refund for cancellations after May 15, 2021	

Families must email Accounting Manager **rvale@bereanchristian.com** to cancel. For families on the payment plan, charges billed to account as due prior to the cancellation date will remain due even if not yet paid.

### Exceptions:

- If Berean Christian is able to fill cancellation with a waitlisted student Berean Christian will be able to refund all but \$250 of the cancelled student's charges. **Since this is not always possible, you must assume if you enroll that you will remain responsible for full amount described above in the event of your cancellation.**
- Waitlisted students not ultimately offered program enrollment will receive 100% refund of any amount paid with application plus as billed (students whose initial application does not receive approval will receive full refund less \$50 processing fee; please do NOT apply if student doesn't meet criteria).
- In the unlikely event that Berean Christian needs to cancel the course, all payments will be 100% refundable.

## **ENROLLMENT PROCESS**

- The 2021 Summer Biology Application/enrollment will be **ONLINE**. Application link will be emailed in communications to parents and link may also be found on [www.bereanchristian.com](http://www.bereanchristian.com).
- The application will open on Wednesday January 13 2021 at 7:30 am. Course will be filled on a first-come first-served basis with up to 22 eligible & approved students; a waitlist will be maintained after the 22<sup>nd</sup> student.
- Historically the course has filled within the first few days of the applications being accepted (and sometimes as soon as the first morning). Most years there are a handful of enrollment cancellations that allow for a few waitlisted students to be admitted.
- Parent will receive emailed notification of their student's Summer Bio enrollment status (accepted & enrolled, accepted & waitlisted, or denied) within 1 week of submission of online application.
- This is considered a '21-'22 course and thus parents must complete the Berean Christian '21-'22 FACTS-RenWeb online re-enrollment process for their student no later than May 15, 2021 (re-enrollment fee is \$440 by February 28, 2021 but \$540 after February 28, 2021).