



JEFFREYS BAY
Parallel-Medium (AFR & ENG)
Independent High School

**EST.
2010**



BEST
PERFORMING
INDEPENDENT
HIGH SCHOOL
- SINCE 2012 -

Global Leadership Academy
envisions a world where authentic
Christian leaders impact society.

**ALIVE
TOGETHER**

OFF TO A GOOD START

Our story began in 2006 when a group of God-seeking adventurers embarked on an 11-month faith journey through 24 countries. They travelled the world, served the poor, shared their faith, and ultimately grew in leadership and maturity themselves.

They realised that others could embark on a similar journey and established a missions organisation called Global Challenge. From the outset, Global Challenge existed to make disciples and shape leaders by exposing young people to real-world needs and challenging them to respond.



Teacher, Paul du Plessis leaping off a mini-bus in India in 2008, inspiring the Global Challenge (and GLA) logo.



One such response came in 2010 when the Global Challenge leadership said yes to the prompting of the Holy Spirit to start a school in Jeffreys Bay that would do just that.

With a focus on 13–18 year-olds, we are committed to raising up and equipping the next generation of followers of Jesus to leave high school with the knowledge that God has a plan and a purpose for their lives.

It is this central focus that motivates and directs the efforts of Global Leadership Academy.



WE
MAKE
DISCIPLES
& SHAPERS
LEADERS

FORMATIVE WORD

Global Leadership Academy opened its doors on Wednesday, 13 January 2010, two months later, Joe Ewen prayed these words over the school:

“For I am going to build something that will be a model, a light set on a hill. It will be a model for many others to come and look at and draw from.

As they begin to see light shed and changes take place, politicians will come, many people will come from near and far to inquire of me.

You will see the hope I placed within you carried throughout this nation and to other nations around you.

You are at a key place in history. It is a defining moment. You will form leaders, world leaders, and leaders of nations, leaders of cities and towns.

I have called you to raise up apostles, prophets, evangelist, pastors and teachers and in turn they will begin to teach others and bring people into unity.

Don't take lightly what you are doing on my behalf. I embrace what you have become and what you have begun. I will finish it.” says the Lord.

Joe Ewen's prayer still eco in our hall as we encourage our learners to lead a God-Seeking Lifestyle.

UNDERSTANDING TEENAGERS

Teenagers ask two primary questions:

“
What is
the purpose
of it all?”

AND

“
What is my
role in it?”

When these questions remain unanswered, it can result in young adults who are uncertain of themselves—sometimes passive, without direction, and lacking a sense of meaning.

How do we address this?

Our primary mandate is to create an *innovative, fun,* and *adventurous* environment where learners can discover for themselves the truth of who Jesus created them to be.

We do this by modelling authentic lives devoted to God and encouraging learners to pursue a **personal relationship with Jesus.**



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WHERE WILL GOD FIND THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS



If you consider that the current population of the earth is equal in number to all the people who lived before this moment, then this generation requires, in many ways, the leadership capacity of all those who have gone before—Abraham, Moses, Esther, Daniel—at the same time.

We believe that when a child is entrusted to our care, it is because the Lord has purposed that their life be formed, shaped, and mentored within the mandate He has given us.

We take this responsibility of discipleship and leadership development seriously and understand that we will be held accountable for how we steward those entrusted to us.



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Miyah O'Neill
Grade 11, 2026

GLA didn't just teach me true servant leadership, they shaped me into one.



WHAT VALUES DO WE MODEL TO LEARNERS?

Global Leadership Academy, as an initiative of Global Challenge, has adopted the same set of core values:

WE ARE GOD-SEEKERS



These values are, in essence, five key Biblical principles that, when understood and lived out, give direction to every follower of Jesus to live a life of meaning and purpose.

WE LIVE TO LOVE GOD & OTHERS



When learners discover that their personal walk with the Lord leads to greater confidence, deeper self-awareness, and an understanding of their purpose ...

WE ARE SERVANT LEADERS



WE EMBARK ON CREATIVE VENTURES IN OBEDIENCE



WE TRAVEL & EMBRACE DIFFERENT CULTURES



... they become actively engaged in their own development and growth.



When these values are paired with an environment that offers opportunities to test their skills, learners flourish.

CULTIVATING AN ENVIRONMENT FOR GROWTH

In our pursuit of raising up a new generation of leaders, both as a school and as a parent body, we must be comfortable with a level of risk—allowing learners to make mistakes, figure things out for themselves, and wrestle with complex questions rather than always providing easy answers.

We risk by taking a leap of faith to:

▶ Travel with a group of 16-year-olds on a backpacking journey, where they organise their own transport, buy and cook their own food, and find ways to serve the needs in the countries they visit.

▶ Allow students to lead the entire formal assembly.

▶ Create platforms for student-led initiatives.

▶ Entrust a group of students to plan and execute a public event such as a night market, from start to finish.



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Opportunities like these help learners discover their God-given potential and realise that they too can be independent, confident & live purposeful lives.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

▶ *Top-Performing High School*

Global Leadership Academy maintains a strong record of academic achievement.

▶ *NSC Consistency*

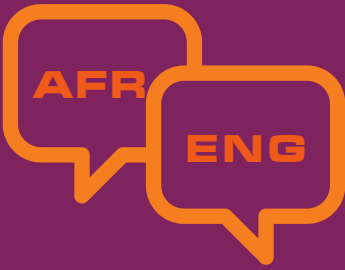
For more than a decade, our **National Senior Certificate results** have consistently ranked us among the top-performing schools in the Eastern Cape, regularly producing top candidates across both independent and public schools.

▶ *Umalusi Accredited*

Accredited by Umalusi, we offer a robust CAPS-aligned curriculum in both Technical and Academic streams.



Learners benefit from a wide variety of future-focused subjects ...



SUBJECT CHOICE STREAMS

GRADE 10 – 12

GLA is a parallel-medium school, most subjects are taught in Afrikaans & English.

**Learners choose either the Academic or Technical stream, then one subject from each of the groups.*

- 1 Afrikaans Huistaal
Afrikaans Eerste Addisionele Taal
- 2 English Home Language
English First Additional Language
- 3 Life Orientation
Lewensoriëntering

ACADEMIC

Mathematics
Mathematical Literacy

Physical Sciences
Computer Applications Technology
History
Visual Arts

Life Sciences
Business Studies
Information Technology

Engineering Graphics and Design
Computer Applications Technology
Accounting
Dramatic Arts
Tourism

4 Mathematics
Technical Mathematics

5 Physical Sciences
Technical Sciences

6 Civil Technology
Electrical Technology

7 Engineering Graphics and Design

TECHNICAL



... equip them with practical, real-world skills.

HISTORY & ACHIEVEMENTS

▼ **2010**

**School Opens
in a Mall**

69 Students Take a Step
of Faith with Us



2012 ▼

**100% for First
Matric Class**

The Pioneer Group Succeeds in
Attaining a 100% Pass Rate



▼ **2016**

**New Campus -
Outeniqua Road**

1 September 2016
School Moves Into New Buildings



2018 ▼

Best Performing High School

Highest Bachelor Pass Rate
Sarah Baartman District

Top Achiever

Best Performing Grade 12 Student
Heather Diogo



▼ **2021**

**Top Achiever -
Independent Schools**

Best Performing Grade 12 Student
Zoey Adlam
93% average with 7 distinctions





2021

Decade of 100% Matric Pass Rate

We Celebrate A Decade
of 100% NSC Results



2023



Best Performing High School

Highest Bachelor Pass Rate
Eastern Cape

Top Achiever

Best Performing Grade 12 Student
Louw-Rean Fourie



2024

Best Performing High School

Highest Bachelor Pass Rate
Sarah Baartman District

Top Achiever

Best Performing Grade 12 Student
Zander Adlam



2025



Technical Stream Expansion

Includes Civil- Electrical
Technology

Best Performing High School

Highest Bachelor Pass Rate
Eastern Cape



2026

New Technical Classrooms

Opening of New Classrooms to
Support the Expansion of Technical
Education for Future-Focused,
Market-Relevant Careers



*Defining quality
education since 2010*

WHAT SETS US

APART



Academic excellence without real preparation for life beyond school is incomplete. And it is here—in the opportunities beyond the classroom —*that we truly excel.*

1 Expert Coaches

Since 2015, through **RetailROI** video calls, learners have the opportunity to engage in regular sessions with renowned business and industry leaders from companies such as Amazon, IBM, Microsoft, etc.

2 Vision Tour

Our biennial Vision Tour to the United States provides learners with the opportunity to not only do day internships at top American companies, but also to present their own ideas to companies such as New Balance, Burger King, etc.

3 Free Market Fridays

An innovative concept that has inspired some students to take up the challenge of generating a R50 000.00 profit before their high school journey concludes.

4 Trolley Race

An exhilarating event that showcases the spirit of innovation and competition among our students. In partnership with a local business, students rally behind a brand, transforming a shopping trolley to represent it in the Great Trolley Race.



5 Student-Led Initiatives

Ranging from sports like soccer and mountain biking to creative ventures such as a Hip-Hop Dance Academy, these initiatives empower our students to lead & excel in their chosen fields.

SHAPING LEADERS

Leadership is not a title or a badge, but a responsibility to serve.

Once a learner realises they have been created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared in advance for them, they discover a deeper sense of purpose and meaning. This gives them the confidence to step boldly into the leadership opportunities set before them.

6 *TravelSCHOOL*

The premier leadership development opportunity for Grade 10 learners—an international backpacking journey that encourages a lifestyle of simplicity and service.

8 *Outreach*

Serving Saturdays and weekly outreach opportunities that allow learners to serve others through intentional, meaningful engagement.

7 *Grade 11 Leadership Programme*

A purposeful initiative designed to mentor and shape leadership abilities, preparing learners to serve and lead with confidence.

9 *Survivor Tribal Wars*

A “Survivor TV-Series” style experience where learners are placed in teams and challenged through adventure, testing resilience, teamwork, and problem-solving.



MAKING DISCIPLES



Ultimately, our goal is for each learner to develop a healthy and mature personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

This relationship forms the foundation of their values, guiding their attitudes and life choices.

We believe this value system, rooted in Biblical truth, equips learners to live with purpose, integrity, and a heart for service.

We disciple learners not only by modelling Christ-centred lives as teachers, but also through key events such as:

IGNITE

A weekly worship and discipleship opportunity where learners fellowship with other believers and grow in their relationship with Jesus.

Discovery Groups

These weekly connect groups play a pivotal role in nurturing spiritual growth and discipleship among our students.

Colour Camps

Highly anticipated school camps that involve nearly the entire school community fostering connection and creating lasting memories.

Wizz Wizz Bible Quiz

A fiercely competitive, school-wide event that encourages time in the Word of God and the memorisation of Scripture.

Mighty Men Hike

A breath-taking coastal expedition that instils a sense of adventure and camaraderie amongst boys.

Night School

A once-a-year event that, for some, is the very reason they attend GLA...



A personal relationship with Jesus is our foundation.

A COMMUNITY

WHERE EVERY CHILD BELONGS

One of the most common comments from visitors is simple:



There is something different about the atmosphere here.

Many learners say that GLA feels less like a school and more like a community.

Belonging creates the environment where learners thrive.



Lois Vooijs
Grade 9, 2026

Through D-Groups, IGNITE Youth and the encouragement of teachers and other students I have met with God so many times. I am so happy to be part of this community!



EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Every learner is encouraged to grow beyond the classroom and develop the character, discipline, and teamwork needed to make a meaningful contribution to society. At Global Leadership Academy, we intentionally invest in a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities to support well-rounded growth.

A strong culture of participation is expected. Each learner is required to take part in at least one summer or winter activity, ensuring that every individual is challenged, involved, and growing.

We also formally recognise and celebrate achievements in activities pursued beyond those offered by the school, affirming excellence wherever it is developed.



Stitching Generations

Athletics

Rugby

Writers' Block

Murph Challenge

Mountain Biking

Netball

ADVENTURE

Hosted by GLA

- ▶ Archery
- ▶ Athletics
- ▶ Chess
- ▶ Cricket
- ▶ Debate
- ▶ Hockey
- ▶ Netball
- ▶ A-Cappella
- ▶ Rugby
- ▶ Soccer
- ▶ Tennis
- ▶ Cross Country
- ▶ Murph Challenge
- ▶ Stitching Generations
- ▶ Writers' Block

Student-Led Initiatives

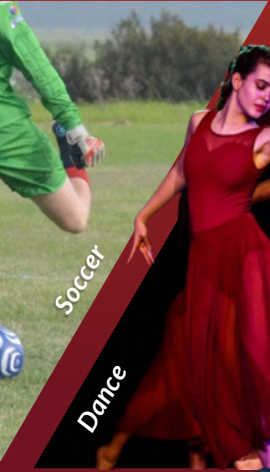
- ▶ Life Saving
- ▶ Surfing
- ▶ Gymnastics
- ▶ Dance
- ▶ Mountain Biking
- ▶ Motorsport
- ▶ Horse Riding
- ▶ Fishing



Horse Riding



Debate



Soccer

Dance



Fishing



Racing



Archery

Chess



Surfing

Tennis

ADVENTURE AWAITS!

OUR COMMITMENT

AS LEADERSHIP OF GLOBAL LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

▶ Independent School

As an independent high school, firmly grounded in our mandate to Make Disciples and Shape Leaders, the leadership of **Global Leadership Academy** commits to walking alongside learners, parents, teachers and stakeholders to ensure our educational offering remains aligned and relevant.

▶ Relational Approach

Our relational approach invites parents and partners to actively participate in discussions and initiatives that strengthen our ability to fulfil this mandate. The Global Leadership Academy family is a community pursuing a shared vision, and we invite you to be part of it.



Taillynn Booysen
Grade 12, 2026

From TravelSCHOOL, to the Leadership Program, Cum Laude tour, to Ambassadorship - being exposed to these opportunities did not only shape my character, joining GLA has been the turning point of my life.

Energetic teacher, Paul du Plessis still filled with a spirit of adventure.





▶ *Parents & Investors*

If these pages resonated with you, we invite you to visit us—have a coffee, walk our halls, and experience firsthand what God is doing here.

We are committed to making a meaningful difference in the community we serve. In Jeffreys Bay, many young people face limited opportunities, and we believe education is key to changing that reality.

Through quality education and discipleship, we equip learners to grow into leaders who will impact society.

Through the generosity of our partners, approximately 30% of our learners receive financial support, making this opportunity accessible to a broader community.

We also strive to keep our fees affordable without compromising excellence.

▶ *Future Students*

Learners who flourish at **Global Leadership Academy** are typically those who:

- Desire to grow in their faith ✓
- Are active and engaged participants ✓
- Are willing to work hard academically ✓
- Embrace leadership opportunities ✓
- Value friendship and community ✓
- Are open to new challenges & experiences ✓



GLA is not simply about attending school. It is about discovering your God-given potential and stepping out with confidence.



Wherever you find your place in the
GLA story, *your part matters.*

**JOIN
US!**

**START YOUR LEADERSHIP
JOURNEY HERE.**

*Let's partner
together in this mission
and see what God will do!*

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