



THE NEW SCHOOL

Curiosity · Character · Community

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2019-2020 ENROLLMENT

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| Total Enrollment | 400 |
| Early Childhood Center | 130 |
| Lower School (Grades K - 4) | 131 |
| Middle School (Grades 5 - 6) | 76 |
| Upper Middle School (Grades 7 - 11) | 63 |

ACCREDITATIONS & ASSOCIATIONS

NAIS - *National Association of
Independent Schools*

ISACS - *Independent School
Association of Central States*

NAEYC - *National Association of
Education of Young Children*

ANSAA - *Arkansas Nonpublic
School Accrediting Association*

AAA - *Arkansas Athletic
Association*

THE SCHOOL

The New School (TNS), located in Fayetteville, Arkansas and founded in 1971, is Northwest Arkansas' premier independent school. TNS provides a student-centered, innovative education for more than 400 students in Early Childhood through grade 12. With a low student-to-faculty ratio of 8:1, students are known and cared for by an excellent faculty in an encouraging atmosphere. The school's curriculum is focused on science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics. Located on a beautiful 26-acre wooded campus, facilities include a 350-seat auditorium and dance and art studios. The New School raised more than \$14 million for a 65,000 square foot expansion, which opened in August 1, 2017. The new space includes an Academic Center housing the Middle and Upper Schools, an Innovation Center housing a makerspace, robotics lab, woodworking shop, and cybercafe, and an Athletic Center with a gymnasium, locker rooms, and a strength and conditioning facility.

MISSION

The New School community empowers each student through a well-rounded experience and inspires a love of lifelong learning.

VISION

Our students will be confident and engaged learners who lead through collaboration and compassion.

CORE VALUES

Curiosity | Respect
Citizenship | Innovation
Excellence | Community

PROGRAM

Early Childhood Center (*Ages 12 months - 4*)

Curriculum goals for the early childhood program involve creating an environment with many opportunities for growth in social emotional and cognitive development, emergent literacy, social studies, science and technology, mathematical thinking, physical development and health. The New School also offers opportunities for growth through music, creative movement, and the arts.

Lower School (*Grades K - 4*)

The success of our Lower School centers on creating the optimal foundation for each student's educational journey. Each teacher is committed to fostering a love of learning and to delivering engaging academic instruction, while providing the most supportive environment. Small class sizes and even smaller instructional groupings for literacy and math set our elementary school experience apart. Technology can be found at every level of the curriculum, expanding learning opportunities and encourages problem solving, systematic reasoning and collaboration among students.

Middle School (*Grades 5 - 6*)

The Middle School program, focuses on the social-emotional and academic growth unique to Middle School-age students. Our Middle School teachers tend to be content-area specialists, supporting our students as they delve deeper into the various subjects, even as they maintain the supportive

environment of a homeroom and a grade-level team. The focus on social-emotional growth and self-reflection comes through in the SEL lessons. Our students emerge from a Middle School program with a clearer picture of their strengths and challenges and the strategies, both academic and personal, to employ for life success.

Upper School (*Grades 7 - 11*)

The New School Junior High and High School spans 7th - 11th grade, with the first graduating class in 2020. Small, seminar-style classes take place in modular classrooms, where the curriculum is college-preparatory, but also life-preparatory.

The academic program is hands-on and experiential, exemplified by our field experiences around the country and our STEAM-focused Innovation Center, which houses our 3-D printers, laser cutter, vinyl cutter, and full woodworking/metal-working lab. Our innovative Flex periods are designed to allow students to pursue their passions, from the science behind making tea, to the process required to design a board game, to data analysis utilizing neural networks. Students work from laptops, occasionally shifting to iPads, and with a fully wireless campus, our classes can go wherever the learning takes them.

PROGRAM

Arts

The Arts program at The New School cultivates a sense of belonging, collaboration, arts appreciation, and creative expression. These experiences serve to inspire confidence, empathy, self-discovery, communication skills, problem solving, and character building opportunities for students. The program provides unique and experiential learning opportunities through practice, performance, observation, and hands-on activity. The goal of the arts program develops students into advanced artists, musicians, actors and dancers.

Athletics

The New School Athletic program will provide an athletic experience focused on discipline, academic and athletic success, and reaching maximum potential both in individual and team sports. The New School offers eight athletic sports for students in grades 7 - 12, including basketball, cross country, baseball, golf, mountain biking, track and field.

UPPER SCHOOL COURSE CATALOG

9th, 10th, 11th, 12th

9th GRADE

- English I
- Math
- Biology
- US Government/Economics
- World Language
- 2 Semesters of Electives

10th GRADE

- English II
- Math
- Chemistry
- World History
- World Language
- 2 Semesters of Electives

11th GRADE

- English III or AP English Language & Composition
- Math
- Physics
- United States History
- World Language or Electives
- 2 Semesters of Electives

12th GRADE

- English IV or AP English Literature & Composition
- Math
- Anatomy & Physiology or AP Environmental Science or Electives
- World Language or Electives
- 2 Semesters of Electives

Provided below are the TNS Upper School course offerings. While these are the current planned offerings, not every course will be offered every year. Course offerings will be based upon teacher availability and student interest.

Grade Point Average

The GPA is calculated on a weighted 4-point scale, with an A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, and F=0. A grade of A, B or C in an AP class will be scored on a 5-point scale for the purpose of calculating overall Grade Point Average (GPA).

Courses

MATHEMATICS

ALGEBRA I
ALGEBRA II
GEOMETRY
HONORS GEOMETRY
HONORS ALGEBRA II
TRIGONOMETRY
PRECALCULUS
HONORS PRECALCULUS
AP AB CALCULUS
AP BC CALCULUS
MULTIVARIABLE CALCULUS
DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS
AP STATISTICS

FINE & PERFORMING ARTS

VISUAL ARTS
AP STUDIO ART
GRAPHIC DESIGN I
GRAPHIC DESIGN II
ANIMATION & VIDEO
SERIGRAPHY
(SCREEN PRINTING)
DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY
CERAMICS
INTRODUCTION TO
WOODWORKING
INDEPENDENT STUDY
THEATRE PRODUCTION
TECHNICAL THEATRE CLASS
ENSEMBLE I
ENSEMBLE II
GUITAR I
GUITAR II
PIANO
STRINGS
CHOIR
YEARBOOK

SCIENCE

BIOLOGY
AP BIOLOGY
CHEMISTRY
AP CHEMISTRY
INTRODUCTION TO
PHYSICAL SCIENCE
PHYSICS
AP PHYSICS C
ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY I
ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY II
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE I
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE II
PRINCIPLES OF ENGINEERING

SOCIAL STUDIES

HUMAN GEOGRAPHY
AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY
WORLD HISTORY
AP WORLD HISTORY
UNITED STATES HISTORY
AP UNITED STATES HISTORY
US GOVERNMENT &
POLITICS
AP US GOVERNMENT &
POLITICS
AP COMPARATIVE
GOVERNMENT & POLITICS
AP PSYCHOLOGY (11/12)
AP ART HISTORY (11/12)
FINANCE AND ECONOMICS
AP MACROECONOMICS (11/12)
AP MICROECONOMICS (11/12)

TECHNOLOGY & COMPUTER SCIENCE

PYTHON PROGRAMMING
WEB DESIGN
ROBOTICS
AP DEVELOPMENT
AP COMPUTER SCIENCE A

ENGLISH

ENGLISH I
ENGLISH II
ENGLISH III
AP ENGLISH LANGUAGE &
COMPOSITION
AP ENGLISH LITERATURE &
COMPOSITION
CREATIVE WRITING
WORLD LITERATURE IN
TRANSLATION
SPEAKING & WRITING IN
DEMOCRACY
JOURNALISM
INTRODUCTION TO
JOURNALISM
NEWS PRODUCTION
DEBATE
ORAL COMMUNICATION

WORLD LANGUAGES

French and Spanish are offered as separate courses, but the standards for equivalent classes in the different languages are the same.

FRENCH I SPANISH I
FRENCH II SPANISH II
FRENCH III SPANISH III
AP FRENCH LANGUAGE &
CULTURE
AP SPANISH LANGUAGE &
CULTURE

HEALTH

HEALTH
PHYSICAL EDUCATION

