SAGE RIDGE SCHOOL

Ask Our Graduates.

2021 - 2022 School Profile

OUR SCHOOL

Mission

Sage Ridge School graduates curious and confident citizens who embrace rigorous **scholarship**, **respect** the dignity of individuals, choose **integrity**, embody **courage**, cultivate a compassionate **community**, and ultimately thrive in college and our global society.

At a Glance

- Founded in 1997 and nestled on 40 acres in the Mount Rose foothills, it remains Northern Nevada's only independent, non-sectarian, co-educational college preparatory day school.
- 5 Value Pillars (Scholarship, Respect, Integrity, Courage, and Community) encapsulate the school's culture.
- Educates 243 students in grades 3 through 12.
- A fully accredited member of the Northwestern Association of Independent Schools.
- Active member of the National Association of Independent Schools, Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, Association for Advancement of International Education, National/ Western Associations for College Admission Counseling, College Board, and Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association.
- A 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Upper School Snapshot

| 92 | 7:1 | 68% | 17.5 |
|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| Student | Student-to-Teacher | Faculty with | Years Average |
| Population | Ratio | Advanced Degrees | Teaching Experience |
| 84% | 8 | 14 | Aid to 26% of Students |
| Students Earned | Varsity Sports | Student Clubs | |
| AP Scores of 3+ | Offered | Offered | |

Our Grading Practices

Sage Ridge does not rank students. • Only semester grades are used to compute GPA. • Only semester grades will appear on student transcripts.

| A+ | 4.33 | А | 4.00 | A- | 3.67 |
|----|------|---|------|----|------|
| B+ | 3.33 | В | 3.00 | B- | 2.67 |
| C+ | 2.33 | С | 2.00 | C- | 1.67 |
| D+ | 1.33 | D | 1.00 | D- | 0.67 |
| F | 0.00 | | | | |

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OUR ACADEMIC PROGRAM

For AY 2021-22 we instituted an A-H block schedule on a 10-day rotation with five classes per day, save for Wednesdays when there are four classes to allow time for faculty professional development. • Two of the four years, students must take six courses both semesters to meet minimum credit requirements. • Students strive to accomplish one of three diploma options outlined below:

| Departments | College Preparatory | Honors | High Honors |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| English | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| History (including Senior Seminar) | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Math | 3.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Science | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| Foreign Language | 3.0 | 3.0 | 4.0 |
| Fine Arts | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| Electives | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Freshman Seminar | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Senior Thesis and Internship | 1.25 | 1.25 | 1.25 |
| Sage Session (Grades 9-11) | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 |
| Completion of/Un-weighted | 26 credits 2.0 GPA | 27 credits 3.2 GPA | 28 credits 3.5 GPA |

In Addition: Minimum 60 hours of Community Service required in grades 10-12 • 6 seasons of Athletics, Junior Classical League, Debate, Mock Trial, and/or Theater in the four years • Completion of 2 or 4 AP courses required for the Honors or High Honors diplomas, respectively.

COVID-19 Statement: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, online distance learning commenced at SRS on 3/31/2020 with a modified class schedule for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year; for AY 2020-21 hybrid, synchronous learning ensued on a 10-day rotating, A-H block schedule with four 80-minute classes per day; community service and extra-curricular graduation requirements were waived for AY 2019-20 and AY 2020-21.

Advanced Placement (AP) and Honor Courses

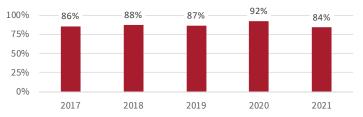
- Students must earn a 93 percent average for two of the three quarters in the preceding CP level class with no quarter grade lower than an A- in order to enroll in these courses.
- Roughly two-thirds of Upper School students take Honors courses and one-half take AP courses.
- All students enrolled in an AP course are required to sit for the AP exam in that subject.
- Students who wish to enroll in more than three AP courses in a given academic year must receive approval from the course instructor and head of academics.
- AP: Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Computer Science A, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Environmental Science, Latin, Macroeconomics & Microeconomics (every other year), Physics 1: Algebra-Based, Physics C: Mechanics, Psychology (every other year), Spanish Language and Culture, Statistics, Studio Art: Drawing, U.S. Government and Politics (every other year), United States History, World History
- Honors: Advanced Computer Science, Pre-AP Computer Science A, Algebra II, Biology, Chemistry, Pre-AP Latin, Pre-AP Spanish Language, Pre-Calculus, Senior Seminar, World Literature

ln 2021

- Sage Ridge administered 127 AP exams to 44 students in 15 subjects.
- Total # of AP Scholars = 21; Average Score = 3.69 (see details below)

| | AP Scholar | AP Scholar with Honor | AP Scholar w/ Distinction |
|--------------------|------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Number of Scholars | 10 | 3 | 8 |
| Average Score | 3.27 | 3.39 | 4.14 |

% of AP Students With Scores 3+ (2017 - 2021)



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CLASS OF 2022 SNAPSHOT:

Class Size: 17 students

Mean weighted GPA (6th Semester): 4.03 Highest weighted GPA (6th Semester): 4.46 Lowest weighted GPA (6th Semester): 2.98

College Admissions Tests (Mean scores)

SAT Administrations, August 2020-June 2021* SAT Total: 1364

SAT EBRW: 689 SAT Math: 675

ACT Administrations, September 2020-July 2021** ACT Composite: 33

- *Based on 10 students who tested their junior year (15 tests total)
- ** Based on 1 student who tested their junior year (1 test total)

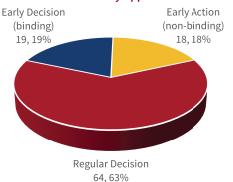
2022 National Merit Scholarship Highlights

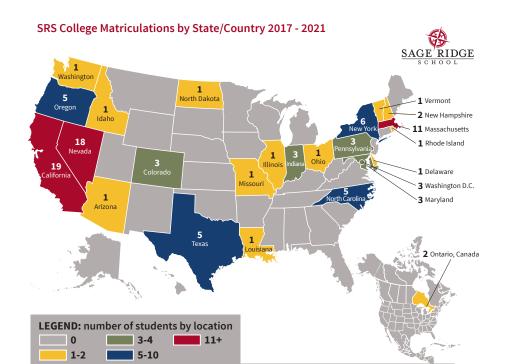
- 1 National Merit Semifinalist
- 1 Commended Scholar

THE SAGE RIDGE WAY

- Each fall students attend Outdoor Education Week at different regional locations by grade level, integrating survival skills and socio-emotional learning competencies.
- Each spring students pick two "Sage Session" classes to study over two weeks. Faculty build sessions around their own personal interests to allow students to explore subjects outside the classroom setting.
- Freshmen are required to take a seminar course which teaches them critical-thinking, public debate, and research skills as well as social media literacy and stage presence. They build upon core life competencies to gain greater confidence, awareness, and social emotional maturity.
- To get a taste for college life, seniors take a collegelevel humanities seminar as a capstone history class, write a 15-20 page research essay, and juggle a fourweek, 60-hour internship (min. 3 hours per day) in May to discover possible career interests.
- The Sage Ridge Way is a culture deeply embedded in all aspects of the school. Faculty, staff, coaches, and a dedicated parent community go above and beyond to help students reach their highest potential and thrive as young adults. A level of trust and leadership is placed upon students to do the right things and ethically live according to the school's Value Pillars and Honor Code.

2017 - 2021 Matriculation by Application Plan





2017 - 2021 COLLEGE PLACEMENTS

One hundred percent of the graduates from the classes of 2017-2021 were accepted to four year colleges. They are attending 62 different colleges and universities in 24 states and Canada.

| <u>College</u> | <u>State</u> | <u>College</u> <u>S</u> | <u>tate</u> |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|---|-------------|
| American University (3) | DC | Pitzer College | CA |
| Amherst College | MA | Purdue University-Main Campus | IN |
| Baylor University | ТХ | Reed College | OR |
| Boise State University | ID | Rochester Institute of Technology | NY |
| Boston College (2) | MA | Santa Clara University (2) | CA |
| Boston University (2) | MA | Smith College | MA |
| Brandeis University | MA | Southern Methodist University (2) | ТΧ |
| Brown University | RI | Swarthmore College | PA |
| California Baptist University | CA | The University of Texas at Dallas (2) | ТΧ |
| California State University-Fullerton | CA | Tufts University (2) | MA |
| Case Western Reserve University | OH | United States Military Academy | NY |
| Chapman University (2) | CA | United States Naval Academy | MD |
| Claremont McKenna College | CA | University of California-Berkeley (2) | CA |
| Colorado College | CO | University of California-Davis | CA |
| Cornell University (2) | NY | University of California-San Diego (2) | CA |
| Dartmouth College (2) | NH | University of California-Santa Barbara | CA |
| DePauw University | IN | University of California-Santa Cruz | CA |
| Duke University (3) | NC | University of Chicago | IL |
| Elon University | NC | University of Colorado Boulder (2) | CO |
| Goucher College | MD | University of Delaware | DE |
| Haverford College | PA | University of Maryland-Baltimore County | MD |
| Indiana University-Bloomington | IN | University of Nevada-Reno (18) | NV |
| Lewis & Clark College | OR | University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill | NC |
| Long Island University | NY | University of North Dakota | ND |
| Louisiana State University | LA | University of Portland (2) | OR |
| Middlebury College | VT | University of San Francisco (2) | CA |
| New York University | NY | University of Southern California | CA |
| Northeastern University (2) | MA | University of Toronto (2) | ON |
| Northern Arizona University | AZ | University of Washington-Seattle Campus | WA |
| Occidental College | CA | Villanova University | PA |
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