

# WHITFIELD SCHOOL

School Profile 2019-2020

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# Accreditations

Independent School Association of the Central States (ISACS)

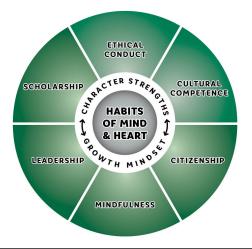
National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS)

#### Mission

Whitfield School cultivates ethical, confident, successful students in a community of innovation, collaboration, and trust.

#### The School

Founded in 1952, Whitfield School is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory day school for grades six through twelve, located on a 26-acre campus in West St. Louis County, Missouri. Whitfield School's demanding, student-centered academic program coupled with the support of a dedicated, world-class faculty, prepares graduates for both the college experience and life beyond. Our curriculum provides a strong liberal arts education and varied electives, allowing students to pursue specialized interests in science, language, humanities, and the arts. All students, faculty, and staff are issued a Windows-based tablet PC and have access to a variety of robust physical and digital resources that support the school's academic program.



#### WHITFIELD SCHOOL HABITS OF MIND & HEART

ETHICAL CONDUCT: a personal commitment to right action
CULTURAL COMPETENCE: openness to and understanding of others
CITIZENSHIP: the practice of liberty, equity and justice
in community

MINDFULNESS: awareness of the present moment, curiosity, self-assessment

**LEADERSHIP:** willingness to make a difference, take a stand, become a role model

**SCHOLARSHIP:** the pursuit, creation, and application of knowledge and understanding

# Habits of Mind and Heart

Whitfield School has been committed to character education as the cornerstone of our college preparatory experience throughout our history. This is articulated implemented across and community through the Habits of Mind and Heart. Whitfield students engage in ongoing opportunities to discover their personal mission in the journey of life, are empowered to achieve their goals, and see this journey as one that unfolds in the company of others. The Habits of Mind and Heart are divided into six focus areas detailed in the adjoining chart.

#### Whitfield at a Glance

**Total student body:** 460 **Zip codes represented:** 62

Full-time faculty: 62 Average class size: 14 Members of the Class of 2020: 69

**Students of color:** 31%

Faculty with advanced degrees: 44

# Curriculum and Course Work, Class of 2020

Whitfield's academic goals are set at the highest standard. Students have the opportunity to prepare for Advanced Placement exams. Independent study in language, mathematics, and sciences is offered for the exceptional student who completes Whitfield's curriculum early. An outline of the curriculum is below.

# Advanced Course Work

Whitfield School's commitment to intellectual curiosity, experiential learning, and deep critical thinking is best achieved through the rigorous courses designed by our faculty to meet our students' needs. As such, all core academic subject course work is taught at the honors level or above. We offer a select number of accelerated options and AP courses, primarily in mathematics, science, and world languages.

#### Grade 9

- Literature and Composition: Encountering the Other
- Early Modern World History: 1400-1800
- Algebra or Geometry
- Biology
- World Language (French, Mandarin, Spanish)
- Fine Arts
- Physical Education/Foundations in Wellness
- Advisory

#### Grade 11

- Junior English Selection
- United States History (dual enrollment option available)
- Advanced Algebra, Algebra III/Trigonometry, Precalculus, or AP Calculus AB
- Physics I (accelerated option available) or Chemistry (AP available)
- World Language (AP available; French, Mandarin, Spanish)
- Colloquium
- Elective options: Fine Arts, Advanced Science elective, Advanced Social Studies elective, Latin



#### Grade 10

- Literature and Composition: The Assertion of Self
- Modern World History: 1800-Present
- Geometry or Advanced Algebra
- Chemistry (accelerated option available) or Field Studies
- World Language (French, Mandarin, Spanish)
- Forum
- Elective options: Fine Arts, Science elective, World Language elective, Social Studies elective

#### Grade 12

- Senior English Selection
- Social Studies Selection
- Senior Math Topics, Precalculus, Introduction to Calculus, or AP Calculus (AB or BC)
- Advanced Science Selection (AP Biology, AP Chemistry, Environmental Science, Accelerated Physics II, or Anatomy & Physiology)
- World Language (AP available; French, Mandarin, Spanish)
- Senior Seminar
- Elective options: Fine Arts, Science elective, Social Studies elective, Latin

# **Special Features of the Whitfield Experience**

**Advisory Program:** The Habits of Mind and Heart guide our advisory program. All students participate in advisory, referred to by different names depending on grade level. During the advisory program, students focus on discovering strengths, interest exploration, topics in equity and inclusion, and mental and emotional well-being, in addition to college and career exploration and preparedness.

**Advanced Placement Exams:** While Whitfield does offer a few College Board AP courses, our non-AP course curriculum often prepares students to sit for AP exams. Typically, students will sit for exams in English Language, Spanish Literature, Psychology, Computer Science, Physics, and others.

**The Senior Internship:** For the final three weeks of the school year, all seniors participate in an internship. This 30+ hours/week experience is developed by the student with faculty guidance. The student is responsible for designing and securing his or her experience. After the internship is complete, the students give a presentation to the Whitfield community on their experiences.

# School Schedule and Transcripts

Whitfield has a trimester schedule. Our first trimester typically ends in the second week in November. First trimester transcripts are sent as soon as they are available in late November or early December. This transcript also serves as the Mid-Year Transcript. The second trimester ends in mid to late February and an updated transcript will be available in early March. This may be sent upon request from either a student or a college to which the student has applied. Final transcripts are sent in mid-June.

# **Testing**

Whitfield School does not report any test scores on the transcript. Students arrange with the testing services to have scores sent directly to colleges and universities.

# Grading

The GPA: Grades, including those for AP, Honors, and Accelerated courses, are unweighted. Whitfield's grading and curriculum reflect the rigor appropriate for the challenge of college preparatory work. We reiterate, **ALL core classes are taught at the honors level or above.** 

The cumultive GPA reflects all course work completed at Whitfield in grades 9-12. No course work completed outside of Whitfield is reported on the transcript or in the cumulative GPA.

A student's GPA is based on a 4.0 system calculated on the end of year grades each year with the following value system:

Letter	GPA	Points									
Grade	Points	Earned									
Α	4.0	93-100	B+	3.33	87-89	C+	2.33	77-79	D+	1.33	67-69
A-	3.67	90-92	В	3.00	83-86	С	2.00	73-76	D	1.00	63-66
			B-	2.67	80-82	C-	1.67	70-72	D-	0.67	60-62
									F	0.00	0-59



# **Class of 2019 Placement Profile**

- 100% admitted to four-year schools
- Accepted to 160 different schools
- 73 graduates attending 51 different schools
- 71% attending private colleges & universities
- 29% attending public colleges & universities
- 73% enrolled out-of-state
- 56% enrolled outside the Midwest

Class of 2020 at a Glance...

69 seniors in the class of 2020

Highest GPA: 4.0

Middle 50% of cumulative GPAs at the end of junior year ranged from: 3.2 to 3.92

Median GPA: 3.72

Mean GPA: 3.59

In recognition of Whitfield's philosophy of personalization and small class size, Whitfield students are not ranked.

# College Acceptances and Matriculations, Classes of 2015-2019

Over the last five years, 345 Whitfield School graduates have been accepted to 377 different colleges and universities in the United States, Canada, Ireland, and the United Kingdom. Our graduates have chosen to attend 160 different schools as highlighted below.

Adelphi University Univ. of Alabama, Birmingham

The University of Alabama American University

Appalachian State University
Arizona State University
The University of Arizona

University of Arkansas, Little Rock

University of Arkansas Augustana College

Avila University
Baldwin Wallace University

Ball State University
Bangor University
Bard College
Barry University

Baylor University Becker College

Belhaven University

**Belmont University** 

Benedictine College Binghamton University

Boston College Boston University

Bournemouth University (UK)

**Bowdoin College**Bowling Green State University

Bradley University

Brandeis University Brenau University Bryn Mawr College Bucknell University

**Butler University** 

California Baptist University California Institute of the Arts California Lutheran University

California Poly, San Luis Obispo

California State Univ., Long Beach Univ. of California, Davis Univ. of California, Los Angeles Univ. of California, Riverside Univ. of California, San Diego Univ. of California, Santa Barbara Cardinal Stritch University

**Carleton University (Canada)** Carnegie Mellon University Carthage College

Case Western Reserve Univ. Univ. of Central Missouri Chapman University College of Charleston

University of Chicago University of Cincinnati Clark Atlanta University Clark University Cleveland State University

Coe College
Colby College
Colgate University

The College of Saint Rose

Univ. of Colorado at Boulder

Univ. of Colorado at Denver

Univ. of Colorado at Denver Colorado College

U of Colorado, Colorado Springs

Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Columbia College

Columbia College Chicago Columbia University University of Connecticut

University of Connecticut Cornell College

Cornell University
Creighton University

Culver-Stockton College Curry College Davidson College University of Dayton University of Delaware Denison University University of Denver DePaul University

**DePauw University**Dickinson College
Dillard University
Dominican University

Drake University
Drexel University
Drury University

Eastern Kentucky University
Eckerd College

Elon University Embry-Riddle A

**Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Univ.** Emory University

University of Evansville Fairfield University

**Fashion Institute of Technology** 

Felician University The University of Findlay Fisher College Fisk University

Florida A&M University Florida Gulf Coast University

Florida Institute of Technology University of Florida

Fontbonne University Fordham University

Franklin & Marshall College Furman University

**The George Washington Univ.** Georgetown University

Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia Southern University

Georgia Southern University University of Georgia

Gettysburg College Gonzaga University

Greenville University Grinnell College Guilford College University of Hartford

Hendrix College
High Point University
Hofstra University

College of the Holy Cross

Hope College

Howard University

U of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign Illinois Institute of Technology Illinois State University Illinois Wesleyan University

Indiana State University
Indiana Univ. at Bloomington
Indiana U-Purdue U Indianapolis

University of Indianapolis Iowa State University The University of Iowa

Jacksonville University Jefferson University John Carroll University The Juilliard School Kansas City Art Institute

Kansas City Art Institute
Kansas State University
University of Kansas
Kent State University

University of Kentucky Kenyon College

Knox College

Lafayette College

LaGrange College

**Lake Forest College** Lamar College Langston University Lasell College Lawrence University Le Moyne College

**Lehigh University** Lewis & Clark College Lewis University

Labratory Inst. of Merchandising

Lindenwood University
Lindenwood University, Belleville

Lipscomb University
Long Island University, Brooklyn
Louisiana State University
University of Louisville

Loyola Marymount University Loyola University Chicago

Loyola University Maryland Loyola University New Orleans Luther College Lynn University

Lyon College Macalester College

University of Maine at Presque Isle Marguette University

Maryland Institute College of Art Univ. of Maryland, College Park Marymount Manhattan College

Marymount University

Maryville University

Univ. of Massachusetts, Dartmouth Univ. of Massachusetts, Amherst Univ. of Massachusetts, Boston McDaniel College

McGill University (Canada)
McKendree University

The University of Memphis
Metropolitan State Univ. of Denver

Miami University, Oxford University of Miami Michigan State University

Michigan Technological University

University of Michigan

Middle Tennessee State Univ. Middlesex University (UK) Millikin University

Milwaukee School of Engineering
Mineral Area College
Univ. of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Mississippi State University
Missouri Baptist University

Missouri Southern State Univ. Missouri State University Missouri U of Science & Tech

Missouri Western State Univ.

University of Missouri Columbia
Univ. of Missouri Kansas City

University of Missouri St. Louis

Moberly Area Community College

University of Montana, Missoula

Morehouse College

Morgan State University

Murray State University University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Muhlenberg College

University of Nevada, Las Vegas University of Nevada, Reno New College of Florida

New England Conservatory of Music Univ. of New Hampshire at Durham University of New Haven New York School of Interior Design

New York University Niagara College U of North Carolina at Asheville North Central College

University of North Georgia
University of North Texas

**Northeastern University** 

Northern Arizona University Northwest Missouri State Univ.

Northwestern University University of Notre Dame Oberlin College

Oberlin Conservatory of Music Occidental College

Ohio Wesleyan University
Oklahoma Wesleyan University
The University of Oklahoma
Oregon State University
University of Oregon

University of Ottawa (Canada) Otterbein University Oxford College of Emory Univ.

University of the Pacific Pennsylvania State University

Penn State Univ. - Harrisburg University of Pennsylvania Philander Smith College

Piedmont College
University of Pittsburgh

University of Portland Pratt Institute

University of Puget Sound Purchase College, SUNY Purdue University

Randolph-Macon College Ravensbourne (UK) **University of Redlands** 

Reed College Regis University Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst. Rhode Island School of Design

University of Rhode Island **Rhodes College**University of Richmond

Ringling College of Art & Design Rochester Inst. of Technology University of Rochester

Rockhurst University Roger Williams University Rollins College

Roosevelt University
Rose-Hulman Inst. of Tech
Royal Holloway, Univ. of London

Ryerson University (Canada) Saint Joseph's University

Saint Joseph's University
Saint Louis University
Saint Mary's College

Saint Mary's College Saint Mary's Coll of California Saint Mary's University of Minnesota Saint Xavier University

**Samford University** University of San Diego University of San Francisco

Santa Clara University
Sarah Lawrence College
Savannah Coll. of Art & Design

School of the Art Inst. of Chicago School of Visual Arts Seton Hall University Sewanee: The U of the South **Shawnee Community College** Sheffield Hallam University (UK)

Simpson College
Simpson University
Smith College

U of South Carolina - Columbia U of South Florida, Tampa **Southeast Missouri State U** 

**University of Southern California** U of South Florida, Tampa Southern Illinois U, Carbondale Southern Illinois, Edwardsville **Southern Methodist Univ.** 

Southern Methodist U Southwestern University Spelman College Spring Hill College St. John's University

St. Louis Coll of Pharmacy

St. Olaf College Stephens College Stetson University Stony Brook University Suffolk University SUNY, Morrisville SUNY, New Paltz

Syracuse University The University of Tampa Temple University

Tennessee State University
Texas A&M University

Texas Christian University
The New School

The Ohio State University University of Toledo University of Toronto (Canada) Trinity College

Trinity University
Truman State University
Tufts University
Tulane University
University of Tulsa
US Merchant Marine Acad.
US Military Academy
US Military Acad. Prep

University at Buffalo University of Aberdeen (UK) University of East London (UK) University of Edinburgh (UK) University of Greenwich (UK) University of Jamestown

Univ. of St Andrews (UK)
Univ. of the Arts London
The Univ. of the Arts

Univ. of the West of England Ursinus College **University of Utah** Valparaiso University

Vanderbilt University Vassar College University of Vermont

Villanova University
Virginia Tech
University of Virginia
Waldorf University
Washington State Univ.

Washington U. in St. Louis
University of Washington
Webster University

West Virginia University West Virginia Wesleyan Western Colorado University Western Illinois University Western Washington University Westminster College

Whitman College

Whittier College Wichita State University Willamette University College of William & Mary

**U of Wisconsin, Madison** Wofford College The College of Wooster

Worcester Polytechnic
Univ. of Wyoming
Xavier University

Xavier U of Louisiana