



Rowland Hall

EXTRAORDINARY LEARNING

2019-2020 SCHOOL PROFILE

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ABOUT ROWLAND HALL

Founded in 1867 by the Episcopal Church, Rowland Hall-St. Mark's School, popularly known as Rowland Hall, is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory day school serving students in preschool through grade twelve. Rowland Hall is accredited by the Northwest Association of Independent Schools (NWAIS). There are 78 students in the Class of 2020.

MISSION

We inspire students to lead ethical and productive lives through a college preparatory program that promotes the pursuit of academic and personal excellence.

STUDENT BODY

Upper School: Grades 9-12 303
Middle School: Grades 6-8 201
Lower School: Grades: 3PreK-5 411

ACADEMIC POLICIES

- Rowland Hall does not calculate class rank.
- Academic work completed at institutions other than Rowland Hall will not appear on the transcript and will not be included in the calculation of students' Cumulative GPA.
- Rowland Hall does not award an A+ for any class, but AP courses and AT (Advanced Topics) courses are weighted and add one extra point per class to the GPA. As a result, students may earn a Cumulative GPA of greater than 4.0.
- Personal Fitness, Physical Education, Athletic Teams, Rowmark, and Student Council are non-GPA bearing courses.
- Rowmark students are limited to taking four core courses in school and supplement their coursework by taking approved online courses.

Highest GPA: 4.55	A=4.00	C=2.00
Median GPA: 3.60	A-=3.67	C=1.67
Lowest GPA: 2.22	B+=3.33	D+=1.33
	B=3.00	D=1.00
	B-=2.67	D-=0.67
	C+=2.33	F=0.00

COLLEGE ENTRANCE TESTING

Class of 2020 as of September 2019/Range of Middle 50%

- ACT Composite: 24-30 (63 testers)
- SAT Reading & Writing: 570-700 (50 testers)
- SAT Math: 550-680

ADVANCED COURSES

Rowland Hall offers 9 AP courses and 11 Advanced Topics courses. Students who take an AP course are required to take the corresponding AP exam. Our Advanced Topics courses are designed by our faculty and are as rigorous as—or more rigorous than—AP courses, focusing on inquiry-based learning. AT courses provide the opportunity to tackle real world problems, dig deeper into topics of interest to students and teachers, and provide more hands-on practice, like frequent lab work and field studies and trips, as well as collaboration between departments.

AP courses offered this year at Rowland Hall:

Calculus AB • Calculus BC • Computer Science A • Computer Science Principles • English Language & Composition • English Literature & Composition • Psychology • Spanish Language & Culture • Studio Art

Advanced Topics offered this year at Rowland Hall:

Biology • Chemistry • European History • French IV • French V • Mandarin • Mathematics • Music Theory • Physics • Precalculus • Statistics • US History

DISTINCTIVE PROGRAMS

Debate: Rowland Hall is recognized as an NSDA “School of Excellence.” In the last five years, Rowland Hall Debate has produced eight State Champions, 22 National Qualifiers, and 13 Academic All-Americans, and has graduated dozens of students who continued to debate college. The high school team is made up of approximately 50 debaters who participate in a variety of events, styles, and divisions. Our most competitive students attend 10-12 tournaments a year and can travel all over the country, while others stay committed to regional or local competitions.

Interim: Each spring, our weeklong experiential program, Interim, gives students options of participating in a variety of in-town and out-of-town experiences. All Interims intersect with the school’s mission and core values. Examples of experiences include Backpacking in Southern Utah to explore ancient ruins and artifacts, Canoeing on the Missouri River following the route of Lewis and Clark, Hiking Highway 12, Filmmaking in Telluride, Navajo Nation partnership on The Reservation, Learning to Fly Fish and more.

Internship Program: Rowland Hall’s Internship Program, begun in 2014, offers a wide variety of summer internships to rising juniors and seniors. Partner organizations include multiple University of Utah science laboratories; private medical and law practices; the Huntsman Cancer Institute; Alliance for a Better Utah; Intermountain Health Care; and Salt Lake County Government. When students’ interests fall outside the published listings, the internship coordinator helps them to locate professional contacts and design their own internships.

Project Action: Project Action requires students between their sophomore and senior years to engage, reflect, respond, and build on the mission-centered concept of community engagement. In short, to embrace being community builders. A student’s engagement with the community through Project Action can occur within the walls of Rowland Hall, in our local community, within our global communities, or a combination of all of these. Project Action is an opportunity to apply learning, foster leadership, and live the mission of Rowland Hall.

Rowmark Ski Academy: Twenty-three Upper School students train for competitive alpine skiing as part of Rowmark Ski Academy. Rowmark Ski Academy students are limited to taking four academic courses per year to allow for a full afternoon of local dryland training or training at Park City Mountain Resort. Rowmark-specific supplement is included with transcripts for Rowmark students.

CURRICULUM AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Subject	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
English (4 years required)	English 9 English 9 (H)	English 10 English 10 (H)	English 11 AP Language/Comp	English 12 AP Literature/Comp
Mathematics (3 years required, 4 years recommended)	Algebra I Geometry Algebra II Algebra II (H)	Geometry Algebra II Algebra II (H) Precalculus AT Precalculus	Algebra II Precalculus AT Precalculus AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC	Precalculus AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AT Mathematics AT Statistics Personal Finance
Science (3 years lab science required, 4 years recommended)	Biology Biology (H)	Chemistry Chemistry (H)	AP Chemistry AP Biology Physics Physics (H) AP Physics 1 Environmental Science AP Computer Science Principles	Physics Physics (H) AT Physics AT Biology AT Chemistry Environmental Science AP Computer Science A AP Computer Science Principles
Social Science (3 years required)	Eastern Civilizations Eastern Civilizations (H)	Western Civilization AP Euro History	US History AT US History Political Science	AP Psychology Political Science
World Languages (2 years required, 3 years recommended)	French I, II Spanish I, II Spanish II- Conversation Mandarin I, II	French I, II, III Spanish I, II, III Spanish II- Conversation Mandarin I, II, III	French II, III AT French IV, V Spanish II, III, IV Spanish II-Conversation Mandarin II, III, IV AP Chinese Language	French III AT French IV, V Spanish III, IV, AP Spanish II-Conversation Mandarin III, IV AT Mandarin
Fine Arts (1 1/3 years required – grades 9-12)		AP Studio Art (12) AT Music Theory Advanced Chamber Ensemble Band Ceramics Chamber Ensemble Choir Creative Writing/Literary Magazine Dance Ensemble II, III, IV, V, VI		Jazz Band Musical/Dance Theatre Orchestra Photography Pop Music Production Rag & Bone Ensemble Stage Crew Studio Art 1, 2, 3 Theatre
Health		Health I – Healthy Lifestyles – 1 semester required, grade 9 or 10 Health II – Adolescent Issues – 1 semester required, grade 11 or 12		
Ethics & Religion (1 trimester required – grade 10, 11, or 12) Starting in 2017, there are two courses: “Ethics” and “World Religions,” 1 trimester each.				
Physical Education and Athletic Program (2 years required – grades 9-12) Personal Fitness, or a Rowland Hall athletic team, or other elite athlete program, including Rowmark Ski Academy				
Electives (1 trimester required – grades 9-12) Debate (Intro, Policy, Public) Publications (Newspaper, Yearbook) Selected performing arts classes Student Council Technology (Advanced Web Design, Computer Design, Digital Photography, Exploring Computer Science, Java Fundamentals, Joy of Computing, Robotics, Web Design)				
Seminars – meet once a week for a semester (.5) or a trimester (.33); not all seminars are offered every year American Popular Culture 1840-1960 (.5) Bench to Bedside (.5) Chamber Ensemble Disability in the Past (.5) History of Economic Thought (.5) Political Science: History of the Supreme Court (.5) Political Science: Legislative Activism (.5) Ornithology				



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Virtually all students who graduate from Rowland Hall attend college or university at a four-year institution. Graduates of the Classes of 2015-2019 matriculated at the following institutions.

Aberystwyth University	University College Dublin	Portland State University
The University of Alabama	Duke University	University of Portland
American University	Durham University	Princeton University
The University of Arizona	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Prescott	University of Puget Sound
Arizona State University	Emerson College	Queen's University
Babson College	Emory University	Quest University Canada
Bard College	The University of Edinburgh	University of Redlands
Barnard College	Florida Institute of Technology	Reed College
Bates College	Fordham University	University of Rhode Island
Bentley University	Georgetown University	Rhodes College
Boston College	University of Georgia	Richmond, The American International
Boston Conservatory at Berklee	The George Washington University	University in London
Boston University	Gonzaga University	Roger Williams University
Bowdoin College	Hamilton College – NY	Saint Michael's College
Brandeis University	Harvard College	University of San Diego
Brigham Young University	Haverford College	University of San Francisco
Brown University	Illinois Institute of Technology	Santa Clara University
University of California, Berkeley	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Sarah Lawrence College
University of California, Davis	Indiana University at Bloomington	Scripps College
University of California, Los Angeles	Lafayette College	Skidmore College
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	Lewis & Clark College	University of Southern California
University of California, Santa Barbara	Loyola Marymount University	University of St Andrews
University of California, Santa Cruz	Loyola University Chicago	St. Edward's University
Carleton College	Macalester College	St. Lawrence University
Centre College	McGill University	St. Olaf College
Champlain College	University of Miami	Stanford University
Chapman University	University of Michigan	Temple University
University of Chicago	Middlebury College	Texas Tech University
Claremont McKenna College	Montana State University, Bozeman	Trinity College Dublin
Colby College	Mount Holyoke College	Trinity University
Colby-Sawyer College	The New School - All Divisions	Tufts University
Colgate University	New York University	University of Utah
University of Colorado at Boulder	The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Utah State University
University of Connecticut	Northeastern University	Vanderbilt University
Colorado College	University of Notre Dame	Vassar College
Colorado School of Mines	Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences	University of Vermont
Colorado State University	Occidental College	Virginia Tech
Columbia University	Oglethorpe University	University of Washington
Concordia University - Montreal	Olin College of Engineering	Washington University in St. Louis
Connecticut College	University of Oregon	Weber State University
Dartmouth College	Oregon State University	Wellesley College
Davidson College	University of Otago	Western Washington University
University of Denver	Pacific Northwest College of Art	Westminster College
DePaul University	Pacific University	Whitman College
Dixie State University	University of Pennsylvania	Williams College
Drury University	Plymouth State University	University of Wisconsin, Madison
	Pomona College	Yale University