

SCHOOL PROFILE 2021-2022

AT-A-GLANCE

Aspen Academy in Greenwood Village, Colorado, is a national leader in innovative education. Through internationally-acclaimed academics and the nation's first integrated Pre-K through 8th grade leadership and entrepreneurial development program, our students are empowered to lead purposeful and extraordinary lives.

ABOUT OUR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

- 400 students across 10 grades
- 10% students receive financial aid
- Maximum class size by division:
 - Pre-kindergarten 12
 - Lower School 16
 - Middle School 18
- Student/Teacher ratio is 8:1
- We serve families from 49 zip codes
- Tuition assistance available for families with demonstrated need
- Strong parental involvement in Aspen Academy community

OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL FACULTY

9,600 approximate number of students

our Middle School faculty have taught in their cumulative careers

MIDDLE SCHOOL AT ASPEN ACADEMY

Our academics, partnered with a focused leadership development sequence, prepare students for the most demanding secondary schools. Students thrive as they build lasting relationships with peers and teachers through small class sizes and a community focus. Aspen Academy intentionally and consistently cultivates:

- Critical Thinking and Problem-Solving
- Collaboration Across Networks
- Agility and Adaptability
- Initiative and Entrepreneurial Mind-set
- Effective Oral and Written Communication
- Accessing and Analyzing Information
- Curiosity and Imagination

MISSION

We edify and inspire students and educators to grow, learn and lead.

VALUES

Be Kind. Do Good. Work Hard. Make The World Better.

ACCEDITATIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

• ACIS

- AdvancED Top Scoring School
- Colorado Environmental Leadership (Bronze)
- National Wildlife Federation Certified
- Schoolyard Habitat
- Green Ribbon School

PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE

By the time they graduate, our students will have developed the academic strength, character, and confidence to meet life's future challenges in an everchanging world. An Aspen Academy graduate is:

- Goal-orientated and purpose-driven
- Eager to embrace the next learning opportunity
- Technologically adept and creative in their pursuit of complex problems
- Committed to acquiring knowledge not just for school, but for life
- Inquisitive and intellectually independent
- Committed to enacting on the promise to be kind, do good, and make the world better.
- Able to lead and influence others
- Passionate about and cognizant of his or her mental, artistic and physical aptitude and abilities and how to cultivate them.
- Able to have fierce conversations with integrity and poise
- Empowered to face challenges with resistance and grit
- Compassionate and empathic, with a globallyminded approach toward others
- Inclusive and culturally competent
- Always mindful that relationships matter
- A companion of those whose voices are not being heard
- Aware of the interconnectedness within their own community

STUDENT PERFORMANCE



READING at or above grade level (DRA/QRI Internal Assessments) 96%



Students at or above grade level in MATH (ACT Aspire)

Students at or above grade level in ENGLISH(ACT Aspire)

SERVICE LEARNING



OUR ALUMNI

6 universities attended to-date, across 25 states and 3 countries.



students have been awarded the prestigious Carson Scholarship, a national award that recognizes the academic excellence, humanitarianism, and community service of students in grades 4-11.

RECENT GRADUATING CLASS

Students attend 12 different high schools in 3 different states, including:

- Arapahoe High School Denver School of the Arts
- Brentwood High School (TN) Heritage High School
- Cherry Creek High School
 Kent Denver High School
- Colorado Academy

LEADERSHIP, ENTREPRENEURSHIP, & CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY

For the past 10 years, 8th grade students have graduated with a viable, individual business venture. Many of those businesses are often focused on non-profit work and causes of social impact in the greater community. To-date, 309 personal businesses from our graduates are making a positive impact on surrounding communities, including:

- **Team Up Athletes**: a non-profit started by now alum, Tucker Shearn to raise awareness on depression in teenagers and generate action towards suicide prevention.
- **Tuber:** an app developed by alum, Parker Durand that provided affordable on demand tutoring services and generated funds for donation to JDRF in support of research for Type 1 Diabetes in youth.

• **Harp from the Heart:** a non-profit therapeutic music company founded by student harpist, Kaila Davidson, that provides musical therapy to those in need.

• **Rudspice:** a spice business founded by Emily Rudnick, winner of the 2018 YouthBiz Stars Competition from Young Americans Bank.

• Mullen High School

- Regis Jesuit High School
- Saint Mary's Academy
- South High School
- The Taft School (CT) and
- Valor Christian High School

WHAT PARENTS ARE SAYING...

"I wanted to send all of you a sincere thank you and note of gratitude as our daughter completes her first year of high school. **The foundation that you built towards her education was invaluable**...she read through the Odyssey like it was a 5th grade reader and enjoyed it. She referred to the skills you provided her during her **Language Arts** class this fall as her freshman teacher continued to drill them on poem writing and papers...

She often complained how easy her **Social Studies** class was this Spring semester...and breezed through her exams as well as developed a civic action plan... She said her foundation at Aspen set her up for success

She aced **Biology** in one semester and is onto Chemistry and AP Biology next year. ...**The leadership skills she gained from Aspen are beyond expectations**....thank you for being such a significant part of our daughter's education. **You gave her the tools to shine as her true self now and into the future**."