

2023-2024 UPPER SCHOOL PROFILE



**SAINT
THOMAS'**
EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

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Since 1955, Saint Thomas' Episcopal School has formed honorable men and women through a classical education grounded in a Christ-centered worldview.

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SAINT THOMAS' EPISCOPAL SCHOOL - AT A GLANCE

K-12 Enrollment: **556**

Upper School Enrollment: **189**

Class of 2024 Enrollment: **47**

Full-time Upper School Faculty: **43**

Upper School Faculty with
Advanced Degrees: **42%**

Advanced Placement Courses: **22**

Accreditation: Southwestern Assoc.
of Episcopal Schools

TAPPS **4A** Athletics

11 Varsity Sports

28 TAPPS State Championships

26 US Champions in Highland Dance

5 World & **2** US Juvenile Pipe Band
Championships

19 Regional Mock Trial Championships

Nationally-Recognized Yearbook,
The Belltower

SCHOOL DISTINCTIVES

CLASSICAL EDUCATION. STE engages students in a classical-style education, which emphasizes the study of Latin, philosophy and the classics.

SCOTTISH ARTS PROGRAM. Inspired by the tradition, discipline, and prestige of the pipe bands of the British Army, the Scottish Arts Program has been at the core of STE's identity since the late 1950's. Students participating in the Pipe Band receive instruction on the Great Highland bagpipe or Scottish snare, tenor, or bass drum. As part of the curriculum for Lower School and an elective for Middle and Upper School, Highland Dance promotes physical grace and precise muscle control.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Minimum of **25** credits required for graduation:

ENGLISH	4	WESTERN PHILOSOPHY	1
MATHEMATICS	4	FOREIGN LANGUAGE	3
SCIENCE	4	PE/BAND/DANCE	2
SOCIAL STUDIES	3	ELECTIVES	4

Languages Offered: Chinese, Latin, Spanish

Liberal Arts Electives: Bible, Creative Writing, Grammar, Logic, Speech, Ten Pillars of Economics

Sciences: Anatomy & Physiology, Computer Science, Environmental Science, Geology

Performing & Visual Arts Electives: Art, Band, Choir, Dance, String Orchestra, Theatre, Yearbook

ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

STE offers students a rigorous, college preparatory liberal arts curriculum that emphasizes mathematics, sciences, and languages in addition to traditional liberal arts disciplines such as English, history, religion, and philosophy. Courses are taught in a rotating, seven-period schedule that includes daily chapel. Grades are posted at the end of each semester.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CLASSES

STE does not offer honors courses. Advanced Placement courses are offered to sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

Students with the most rigorous schedules can choose from the following AP courses over their high school careers.

BIOLOGY	LATIN
CALCULUS AB	MACROECONOMICS
CALCULUS BC	MICROECONOMICS
CHEMISTRY	PHYSICS C: MECHANICS
CHINESE LANGUAGE & CULTURE	PHYSICS C: ELECTRICITY & MAGNETISM
COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT	PSYCHOLOGY
COMPUTER SCIENCE A	SPANISH LANGUAGE & CULTURE
ENGLISH LANGUAGE & COMPOSITION	STATISTICS
ENGLISH LITERATURE & COMPOSITION	STUDIO ART
EUROPEAN HISTORY	US GOVERNMENT & POLITICS
HUMAN GEOGRAPHY	US HISTORY

Students are required to take the AP exam for each of their AP courses.

Some advanced courses in Latin, Mathematics, and Computer Science are offered beyond our AP curriculum. These courses also receive an additional 1.0 weighting.

RANKING, GRADING, & GPA

- STE neither calculates nor reports class rank.
- GPAs are computed on a weighted 4.0 scale. Students earn an additional 1.0 for each AP class.
- Non-academic electives (i.e. band, highland dance) are not computed in the GPA.
- GPAs are computed at the end of each semester.

GRADING SCALE			
Number Grade	Letter Grade	Regular GPA	AP GPA
90-100	A	4.00	5.00
80-89	B	3.00	4.00
70-79	C	2.00	3.00
60-69	D	1.00	1.00
0-59	F	0.00	0.00

SAT & ACT DATA

Average SAT Scores			
Class	Total	Evidence Based Reading & Writing	Math
2023	1281	645	622
2022	1300	650	650
2021	<i>Due to COVID-19, the sample size of SAT scores for the Class of 2020 & 2021 is too small to report.</i>		
2020			
2019	1204	604	6500
2018	1300	630	670

Average ACT Scores	
2022-23	25
2021-22	27.4
2020-21	28.7
2019-20	27.2
2018-19	27.2

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

Adelphi University	University of Connecticut*	Houston Christian University*	University of Missouri - Columbia*	Rutgers University
University of Alabama*	Cornell University*	Houston Community College	Morehouse College	Sam Houston State University*
Allegheny College	University of Dallas	University of Houston*	University of Nebraska	Samford University
American University*	Dallas Baptist University*	Huston-Tillotson U.	University of New Hampshire	University of San Francisco
University of Arizona	Dartmouth College	University of Illinois	New York University*	Savannah College of Art & Design*
Arizona State University*	University of Denver	Iowa State University	North Carolina State University	Seattle University*
University of Arkansas*	DePaul University	Ithaca College*	University of North Texas*	Seton Hall University
Auburn University*	Dordt University*	University of Kansas	Northeastern University*	University of the South*
Austin College	Drexel University*	Kansas State University*	Northern Arizona State University*	Southern Methodist University*
Baylor University*	Duke University*	Kenyon College	Ohio State University*	Southwestern University*
Bellevue College*	Eckerd College	Louisiana State University*	Oklahoma State University*	St. Edwards University*
Belmont University	University of Edinburgh	Loyola - Chicago	University of Oklahoma*	Stanford University*
Beloit College*	Elon University	Loyola - New Orleans	University of Oregon*	Texas A&M University*
Berry College	Embry-Riddle	Loyola Marymount	Oregon State University	Texas Christian University*
Blinn College*	Aeronautical University	Macalester College*	Ottawa State University	Texas State University*
Boston University*	Emerson College*	Manhattan College	Quachita Baptist University	Texas Tech University*
Brown University	Emory University	Massachusetts Institute of Technology*	Pennsylvania State University*	UT - Austin*
Bucknell University	Fairleigh Dickinson University*	Mary Baldwin University	University of Pennsylvania*	UT - Dallas*
Cal Poly - Pomona	University of Florida	University of Mary Hardin-Baylor	Pepperdine University	UT - San Antonio*
Cal Poly - San Luis Obispo	Florida Institute of Technology*	U Mass - Amherst	University of Pittsburgh	Trinity University*
UC Berkeley*	Fordham University*	U Mass - Boston	Prairie View A&M University*	Tulane University*
UC Davis*	Furman University*	Massachusetts College of Art & Design	Purdue University*	University of St. Thomas*
UC Los Angeles	George Mason University	McGill University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*	Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University
UC San Diego*	George Washington University*	University of Miami*	Rhodes College*	University of Virginia*
UC Santa Barbara	Georgetown University*	Michigan State University	Rice University*	Wake Forest University
UC Santa Cruz	University of Georgia	Millsaps College	University of Rochester*	Washington & Lee University
University of Chicago	Georgia Institute of Technology*	University of Minnesota - Twin Cities	Rollins College*	University of Washington*
Clemson University	Grinnell College	Mississippi State University*	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology*	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Colgate University	University of Hawaii	University of Mississippi*		Wyoming Catholic College*
College of Charleston	High Point University*			Yale University*
University of Colorado*	Hillsdale College*			
Colorado School of Mines*	Hofstra University*			
Colorado State University*				
Columbia University*				