THE SCHOOL

Founded in 1728, Norfolk Academy is an independent, non-sectarian, coeducational day school enrolling approximately 1,200 students in grades 1-12. Located in southeastern Virginia, the school enjoys a public and inclusive mission attracting students from diverse socioeconomic and ethnic backgrounds. Students travel to school from all seven cities in the region, Virginia’s Eastern Shore, and northeastern North Carolina.

THE MISSION

Norfolk Academy prepares young men and women for lives of integrity, learning, service, leadership, and consequence.

THE HONOR SYSTEM

Norfolk Academy’s longest-standing and most cherished tradition is its Honor System. Each member of the community commits to behaving honorably in all school activities and programs. It is in this community of trust that the Honor System helps students strengthen and advance their ethical development and their capacity to make sound, moral, and mature decisions about matters of right and wrong.

STATEMENT ON ADVANCED PLACEMENT

All courses at Norfolk Academy extend beyond the traditional secondary school level in terms of rigor and depth. While Norfolk Academy does not participate in the Advanced Placement Audit, and courses are not formally designated as AP, many of our students sit for AP exams and achieve strong outcomes. In 2023, students took 265 Advanced Placement exams. 87% of scores were a 3 or above.

STATEMENT ON CLASS RANK

Norfolk Academy does not rank students. We believe that ranking based on objective metrics does not yield a fair measure of the distinctions between members of a highly talented and diverse class. We provide a variety of other data to assist in the evaluation of performance and achievement, and college counselors are available to answer related questions that arise.

SAT AND ACT TESTS

The following data reflect middle 50% and mean best test results for the Classes of 2023, 2022, and 2021.

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COVID-19 AND DISTANCE LEARNING

Norfolk Academy returned to in-person learning in August 2020 while simultaneously offering distance learning options to all students for the duration of that year. During the 2021-2022 school year, Norfolk Academy returned to in-person instruction only and returned fully to all pre-pandemic operating procedures in the fall of 2022.
CURRICULUM GUIDE

Students take the following courses in grades 9-12. Courses indicated in italics are required of all students. While no courses are so noted, all core curriculum offerings are designed to be of Honors quality or higher in content and rigor and may be considered as such in evaluation of a student’s transcript.

ENGLISH
English 9 (Literature/Writing)
English 10
English 11/12
American Drama
American Gothic: From Poe to King
Biography in Its Many Forms
Black Literature
The Comedic Tradition
Contemporary American Poetry
Gender and Its Discontents
Great Adventures in Literature
 Literary Childhoods
Shakespeare
Short Fiction
Speculative Fiction

Advanced (11/12):
Anglo-Saxon and Medieval Literature
Contemporary American Poetry
Creative Writing: African American and Native American Literature
Creative Writing: Irish Tenor
Creative Writing: Narrative Journalism
Enlightenment vs. Romanticism
Faith and Reason
Literature of the American West
Literature from the Margins
Philosophical Literature
Psychological Literature
Reflections of War
Rhetoric
The Tragic Tradition

MATHEMATICS
Geometry, Fundamental Geometry, or Integrated Mathematics
Algebra II or Algebra II BC
Precalculus, Precalculus AB, or Precalculus BC
Advanced Computer Science
Advanced Statistics
Advanced Topics in Mathematics
Calculus, Calculus AB, or Calculus BC
Computer Science
Statistics

90% of our students graduate with at least one full year of calculus instruction; approximately 50% of graduates have taken Calculus AB or Calculus BC.

SCIENCE

Biology
Chemistry or Inorganic Chemistry I
Advanced Anatomy & Physiology
Advanced Biology
Advanced Physics C - Mechanics
Ecosystem Dynamics
Engineering, Design, and Innovation Lab
Inorganic Chemistry II
Organic Chemistry
Physics
Physics 1B, 2B

95% of our students graduate having taken at least three lab sciences.

FINE ARTS

Art I: Visual Expressions
Art II: Art Exploration
Art III: Art Lab
Art History I, II
Broadcasting and Communications
Choral Music
Dance
Drama - Fall/Spring Play, Winter Musical

Film Studies I, II, III
Orchestra/Band
Studio Art 1, 2A, 2B
Visual Art
Yearbook

HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

American Government
United States History
World Cultures
African American History
American Political Foundations
Alternate History
Constitutional Law
International Relations I/ U.S. Foreign Policy
International Relations II/The U.S. and the Middle East, 1979 - Present
Latin American History
Political Philosophy & Ethics
Principles of Economics
Psychology
20th Century U.S.: Politics, Society, & Culture
Western Civilization
World Religions, Introduction to

WORLD LANGUAGES
French I, II, III, IV, V
German I, II, III, IV, V
Latin III, IV, V
Latin Seminar I/II
Spanish I, II, III, IV, V, VI

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All students complete three levels of a modern foreign language. Additionally, middle school students take two years of Latin, and some students choose to take as many as four additional years of Latin.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to earn at least 20.5 credits in grades 9-12. Listed below are minimum subject requirements.

Most students elect to pursue additional coursework beyond these requirements.

- English (4)
- Foreign Language (3)
- Laboratory Science (2)
- Mathematics (4)
- Social Science (3)
- Academic Electives (3)
- Fine Arts (1)
- Physical Education (.5)

GRADING SCALE, GRADE POINT AVERAGE, AND NUMERIC AVERAGE

Final grades in core courses and academic fine arts courses determine a student’s numeric and grade point averages. Numeric and grade point averages are not weighted. Summer school courses do not factor into these calculations. All grades received in all coursework attempted for credit (following the annual add/drop period) will be reflected on a student’s transcript and in the calculation of numeric and grade point averages.

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DISCIPLINARY DISCLOSURE

Norfolk Academy will, when asked to disclose such information on an admission application, report to colleges and universities any major honor or disciplinary infractions that took place during grades 9-12, including, but not limited to, those which result in suspensions and dismissals.
THE BATTEN LEADERSHIP PROGRAM
A three-year, selective, co-curricular, experiential, academic leadership program with five tracks, the program prepares Fellows to lead lives marked by principled civic action by instilling a responsibility for understanding the systemic challenges facing the global community and supporting the creation of actionable solutions to those challenges.

Chesapeake Bay Fellows • Engineering, Design, and Innovation Fellows • Global Affairs Fellows • Global Health Fellows • Literacy Fellows

LEADERSHIP LAB
This foundational program, mandatory for 9th graders and voluntary for students in grades 10-12, fosters courage and confidence in students using academic and experiential laboratories. Labs are designed to nurture self-awareness, love and empathy for others, and tolerance for failure, all for the purpose of helping students grow into exceptional citizens and leaders.

9th Grade: Know Thyself • 10th Grade: Leading Others • 11th Grade: Building a Network • 12th Grade: Capstone Project

MAYMESTER
Each May, sophomores and juniors embark on experiential learning opportunities locally and abroad. Maymester includes international programs, cross-curricular courses designed by Upper School faculty, and professional internships through Norfolk Academy's Alumni Career Connection. These offerings include substantive academic content, provide immersive learning experiences, enrich understanding of the world’s diverse peoples, cultures, and languages, and afford time for reflection and growth. Maymester is designed to prepare students to be engaged global citizens.

Some featured cross-curricular courses include:
Advanced Leadership Lab • Along the Border • Food Security and Food Justice • Forensics: A Lens on Criminal Justice • Go Big or Go Home: Architecture • Hiking the Appalachian Trail • Lake Superior: The Spirit of Gitchigumi • Materials Science • NArt History Museum • Negotiation Boot Camp • Podcast Creation: Narrating Hampton Roads

Some featured internship partners include:
Acredale Animal Hospital • Brown Advisory • CHKD Philanthropy • Colliers • Eastern Eye Associates • Frontline Gig • Ghent Chiropractic • WHRO

Some featured International Programs include:
Ancient World Odyssey in Italy • The Archaeology of Greece & The Making of the Modern European State • Copernicus-Gymnasium in Germany • World Leadership School in Santa Maria de Dota, Costa Rica • St. Dominique in France • School Year Abroad in France, Italy, Spain

MEDICAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM
Norfolk Academy partners with community physicians, Eastern Virginia Medical School, and Sentara Healthcare to provide Upper School students with the opportunity to participate in a series of medical education programs and internships in clinical, medical, and hospital settings.

PEER COUNSELING PROGRAM
Peer Counselors serve as mentors, tutors, confidantes, and counselors to students in grades 7-12. They undergo over 12 hours of training in crisis intervention and general person-centered counseling and participate in ongoing training throughout the school year. Counselors work towards a greater understanding of mental health and common mental illnesses, human relationships and sexuality, suicide prevention, substance use and abuse, and other topics of interest and/or concern. They also receive training about referring students to a school counselor and about handling situations independently. Students and faculty offer input into the selection of Peer Counselors, and their selection is a statement of confidence in a student’s maturity and ability to empathize.

PUBLIC SPEAKING
Freshmen and seniors research, compose, and deliver an original persuasive speech to the faculty and student body through a structured program to develop logic, clarity, and confidence in oral expression.

RENAISSANCE READING PROGRAM
Participants in this voluntary program read six faculty-sponsored texts outside of formal course expectations and meet with sponsors for individual discussions. Students completing nine or more texts are recognized as Renaissance Scholars.
COLLEGE MATRICULATION

100% of Norfolk Academy graduates continue at 4-year colleges and universities, and approximately 90% of our alumni graduate from the college or university at which they began. Members of Norfolk Academy’s past five graduating classes have applied to 325 unique institutions and matriculated to 136 colleges and universities in 35 states as well as several international locations. The schools to which our 2019 - 2023 graduates have matriculated are listed below.

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