THE SCHOOL
Founded in 1984, The Meadows School is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory day school serving grades PK-12. Upper School (grades 9-12) enrolls 294 students, Middle School (grades 6-8) enrolls 205 students, Lower School (grades K-5) enrolls 356 students, and PK enrolls 100 students. There are 68 students in the Class of 2024.

OUR MISSION
In its pursuit of excellence, The Meadows School inspires ambitious students to love and respect higher learning, to passionately serve their communities, and to lead meaningful lives as citizens of a global society.

OUR VALUES
We live our mission through our core values of Scholarship, Character, Community, Inclusion, and Discovery.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
The Meadows School Community Engagement program is designed to give students an opportunity to acquire a greater sense of self and community. Students must complete the 144 hour requirement over four years. 80% of these hours must be completed off campus.

FINANCIAL AID
The Meadows School seeks to attract talented and motivated students of varied socio-economic backgrounds. This year, $2,800,000 in aid was awarded to 15% of the student body.

DISCIPLINARY REPORTING POLICY
In order to foster transparency and trust, and in keeping with the highest ethical principles and NACAC’s Statement of Good Practice, college counselors will disclose whether a student has been suspended or expelled.

COVID-19
Students pivoted to remote learning on March 8, 2020, following our closure due to COVID-19. Classes met online using a synchronous schedule. For 2019-2020, second semester, we weighted 3rd and 4th quarters at 50/50. For 2020-2021, students attended primarily in-person. Distance learning was available if requested. Normal letter grading was consistent regardless of instructional method.

ONLINE LEARNING
The Meadows School is a member of Global Online Academy (GOA), a consortium of the world’s leading independent schools whose mission is to translate into online classrooms the intellectually rigorous programs and excellent teaching that are hallmarks of its member schools.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT & ADVANCED TOPICS COURSES
Students can explore college-level content through our Advanced Placement (AP) and Advanced Topics (AT) courses. Given the challenging nature of The Meadows School’s curriculum, students are not permitted to take more than four AP courses per year. Students who take an AP course are required to sit for the exam.

Advanced Topics (AT) courses mirror college classes, emphasizing projects, research, and dynamic discussions resembling Socratic seminars. Advanced Topics Science Research students have the opportunity to showcase their original research at the Beal Bank USA Southern Nevada Regional Science and Engineering Fair hosted by the UNLV College of Science.

GRADING AND CLASS RANK
Grade Point Average (GPA) is calculated using all courses with the exception of Physical Education (PE) and courses taken as pass/fail. The GPA is cumulative from the fall semester of freshman year. Plus and minus grades are reflected (e.g. B+ = 3.3, B = 2.7). Students receive an extra .02 of credit for each Honors course per semester and an extra .03 of credit for each AP and AT course per semester. Students are not ranked.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS - 23 CREDITS

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AP Exams 2023

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### 2023-2024 UPPER SCHOOL COURSE OFFERINGS

**ENGLISH - 4 YEARS REQUIRED**

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**MATHEMATICS - 4 YEARS REQUIRED**

- H Algebra I
- H Geometry
- H Algebra II
- H Algebra II/Trigonometry
- H College Algebra with Trigonometry
- H Precalculus
- H Precalculus AB
- H Precalculus BC
- H Calculus
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AT Multivariable Calculus
- H Statistics
- AP Statistics
- H Problem Solving in Mathematics
- Game Theory*

**COMPUTER SCIENCE**

| Electives | AP Computer Science A • H Introduction to Drones & Coding |

**SCIENCE - 3 YEARS REQUIRED**

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**WORLD LANGUAGES - 3 YEARS REQUIRED**

- H Chinese I-III
- AP Chinese Language & Culture
- H Latin I-III
- AT Latin Literature
- AP Latin
- H French I-IV
- H French Pre-AP
- AP French Language & Culture
- H Spanish I-IV
- H Spanish Pre-AP
- AP Spanish Language & Culture
- AP Spanish Literature & Culture
- H Spanish Film & Conversation
- AT Spanish Seminar

**FINE ARTS - 1 YEAR REQUIRED**

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<td>Visual Arts</td>
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**SPEECH & DEBATE**

- H Public Speaking - H Speech & Debate • H Advanced Policy Debate • H Advanced Lincoln-Douglas Debate • H Advanced Individual Events • AT National Circuit Policy Debate

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH - 2 YEARS OF PE OR 4 SEASONS OF ATHLETICS REQUIRED**

- Interscholastic Athletics
- Athletic Performance & Personal Fitness
- Sports Medicine
- Health
- Secondary Health

*Global Online Academy (GOA) Course
### Final Testing Profile

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### National Merit Breakdown

- **2023**
  - Commended: 6
  - Semifinalist: 11
  - Finalist: 11
  - Scholar: 1
  - % of Class (64): 27%

- **2022**
  - Commended: 8
  - Semifinalist: 4
  - Finalist: 4
  - Scholar: 2
  - % of Class (52): 13%

- **2021**
  - Commended: 3
  - Semifinalist: 4
  - Finalist: 4
  - Scholar: 2
  - % of Class (51): 29%

- **2020**
  - Commended: 6
  - Semifinalist: 8
  - Finalist: 8
  - Scholar: 3
  - % of Class (54): 26%

- **2019**
  - Commended: 4
  - Semifinalist: 8
  - Finalist: 8
  - Scholar: 1
  - % of Class (51): 24%

### Junior Year Cumulative GPA Distribution

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### Meadows Program Highlights

- National Speech and Debate Association School of Distinction
- 2023 Nevada State Debate Tournament Placement
- 2022 NSDA National Debate Tournament Qualifiers
- 2022-2023 Nevada Speech and Debate Tournament Placement
- 2016-2023 Nine Qualifiers for the Debate Tournament of Champions
- 2023 Four Dragon Kim Fellowship recipients
- 2023 Small School National Tournament Quiz Bowl Placement
- 2023 NAQT Nevada State Quiz Bowl Tournament Champions
- 2021-2023 27 National Latin Exam Gold Medalists
- 2021-2023 12 students earned Scholastic Art and Writing Gold and Silver Keys
- 2022-2023 National Endowment for the Arts Poetry Out Loud 3 Nevada Semi-Finalists
- 2022-2023 Beal Bank USA Southern Nevada Regional Science and Engineering Fair Placement (2 First Place Winners, 4 Second Place Winners, 3 Third Place Winners)
- 2022-2023 Competed in Las Vegas Regional FIRST Robotics Competition
- 2022-2023 Two Nevada State Thespian Officers
- 2022-2023 Team Accuracy Award - Regional Thespian Technical Theatre Olympics
- 2022-2023 Chosen to perform at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival
- 2022-2023 2A Football State Champions
- 2022-2023 2A Girls’ Volleyball State Champions
- 2022-2023 2A Girls’ Golf State Champions
- 2022-2023 3A Girls’ Tennis State Champions
- 2022-2023 3A Boys’ Tennis State Champions
- 2022-2023 17 Individual State Champions in wrestling, golf, and tennis singles/doubles
- 2022-2023 5 NCAA college recruits
- Fall 2022 New multi-million dollar STEM facility for interdisciplinary studies opened

### Accreditation, Affiliations & Memberships

- National Association of Independent Schools
- CollegeBoard
- GOA
- NWAIS
- NWAC
- NACAC
COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES & MATRICULATION

Over the past five years (2019 to 2023) 262 graduates have been admitted to the following colleges and universities: Bold indicates matriculation.

- Aberystwyth University
- Academy of Art University
- Adrian College (1)
- Albion College
- Allegheny College
- American University (1)
- American University of Paris (1)
- Anglo-American University
- Appalachian State University
- Arizona State University-Tempe (1)
- Arizona State University-Tempe (Barrett Honors College) (1)
- Auburn University
- Babson College
- Baldwin Wallace University
- Bard College
- Barnard College
- Bates College (1)
- Baylor University (2)
- Belmont Abbey College
- Belmont University
- Beloit College
- Bentley University
- Berry College
- Boise State University
- Boston College
- Boston College (1)
- Boston University (1)
- Bowdoin College (2)
- Brandeis University
- Brown University (1)
- Bryn Mawr College
- Bucknell University
- Butler University
- Cal Poly
- California Lutheran University (1)
- California State Polytechnic University-Pomona
- California State University-Bakersfield
- California State University-Fresno
- California State University-Fullerton
- California State University-Long Beach
- Carleton College
- Carnegie Mellon University (1)
- Carthage College
- Case Western Reserve University
- Catholic University of America
- Central European University
- Chapman University (3)
- Charles University
- Citadel Military College of South Carolina
- Clark University
- Clemson University
- Cleveland State University
- Coastal Carolina University
- Colby College (1)
- Colgate University (1)
- College of the Holy Cross
- Colorado College
- Colorado School of Mines (1)
- Colorado State University-Fort Collins (2)
- Columbia College Chicago
- Columbia University (1)
- Concordia University-Irvine (1)
- Corban University
- Cornell College
- Cornell University (3)
- Creighton University
- CUNY Brooklyn College
- CUNY City College
- Dalhousie University
- Dartmouth College (5)
- Davidson College (2)
- DePaul University
- DePauw University
- Dominican University (1)
- Dominican University of California
- Drew University (1)
- Duke University (2)
- East Carolina University
- Eckerd College
- Elon University
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Daytona Beach
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Prescott