



# UPPER SCHOOL ACADEMICS



**LAKESIDE**  
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## Upper School classes are dynamic, challenging, engaging ... and sometimes life changing.

Our students: talented, curious, and motivated. Our faculty: dedicated, highly effective teachers with deep expertise in their fields. Our curriculum: goes beyond content to help students develop the competencies and mindsets that help them succeed in their future educational goals and their personal and professional lives.

A Lakeside education isn't just about what students know. It's about what students can do with their knowledge, how they find meaning in learning, and their passion to contribute to our community and our world.

In their time at the Upper School, students learn through the arts, English, history, language, mathematics, outdoor programs, physical education and wellness, and science, and service learning. They choose from over 130 in-person classes, online classes through Global Online Academy, and independent studies in every discipline they can imagine.

**Explore Upper School academics and programs  
by reading our curriculum guide.**

**LEARN MORE**

**[lakesideschool.org/academics](https://lakesideschool.org/academics)**

# SAMPLE SCHEDULES

## 9TH GRADER

- 1 Biology  
8:30-9:40 a.m.
- 2 Intro to Drawing and Painting  
9:50-11 a.m.
- 3 Algebra II  
11:05 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
- 4 Lunch  
12:20-1 p.m.
- 5 Advisory  
1:05-1:55 p.m.
- 6 Free time  
1:25-2 p.m.
- 7 9th Grade Wellness  
2-3:10 p.m.
- 8 Ultimate Frisbee practice  
3:30-5 p.m.

## 12TH GRADER

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| 1 Ancient Mediterranean World<br>8:30-9:40 a.m. | 3 Studies in Literature: Modernism<br>11:05 a.m.-12:15 p.m. | 5 Advisory<br>1:05-1:25 p.m. | 7 Advanced Biology: Physiology<br>2-3:10 p.m. |
| 2 French V<br>9:50-11 a.m.                      | 4 Lunch<br>12:20-1 p.m.                                     | 6 Free time<br>1:25-2 p.m.   | 8 Volleyball practice<br>3:30-5 p.m.          |

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## IN THE CLASSROOM

Learning happens in every space of the Upper School's century-old campus. From the Harkness tables of Bliss Hall to the labs of Allen Gates Hall and the stage of St. Nicholas Hall to the state-of-the-art competition gym in The Paul G. Allen Athletics Center, students find a campus — and teachers — dedicated to their learning and success.

## CONNECTING ON CAMPUS

Every student is part of an **advisory**, a group of eight to 12 students, where they build and nurture connections with peers and a trusted adult who will be with them through their high-school years.

**Clubs and activities** — including affinity and alliance groups — are opportunities for students to spend time with those who share their identities and passions.

Weekly **assemblies** bring people together to share news, hear special speakers, and celebrate accomplishments.

Grade-specific gatherings and **retreats** are opportunities for students to connect as a class.

Students can spend their **free time** however they want — playing games in the student center, starting homework in the library, or relaxing on the Quad with friends.

## AT HOME

Time spent on **homework** varies; most students range between spending two to four hours on homework a day.

Every course has a **class website**, where students can access assignments.





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## IN THE COMMUNITY AND OUT IN THE WORLD

Our **Service Learning Program** connects students with organizations that reflect their passions and interests. Upper School students complete 80 hours of service prior to graduation.

Classes make regular **field trips** around the region, to museums, labs, courthouses, and even mountainsides!

Internationally-renowned **speakers** address students in lectures and talk with students in classroom visits.

Juniors have the option to **study off-campus** in international and domestic partner programs.

**Outdoor trips** take students around the West, backpacking, cross-country skiing, whitewater rafting, canoeing, sea kayaking, and mountaineering. An outdoor trip is required for Upper School students to graduate.

Summer and school-year **Global Service Learning trips and courses** combine learning, service, and cultural immersion.

