## LITTLE ROCK CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

# **SCHOOL PROFILE 2024-2025**

Little Rock Christian Academy is an independent, college-preparatory Christian school serving grades PK3-12 in Little Rock, Arkansas, that annually enrolls more than 1,700 students. The LRCA community consists of a diverse group of abilities, ethnicities, denominations, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

# Founded - 1977 (First graduating class 1997)

**Mission** - To serve families, churches, and the community by providing a PK-12th grade education characterized by excellence in the pursuit of truth from a Christ-centered worldview

#### **School Information**

Accreditations - ANSAA, CESA, SAIS Memberships - College Board, NACAC, SACAC, NACCAP

#### **Enrollment 2024-2025**

9th - 145 • 10th - 139 • 11th - 110 • 12th - 140
Zip Codes Represented - 30
Tuition Assistance - 16%
Faculty Holding/Pursuing
Advanced Degrees - 60%
Collegiate Athletes (since 2019) - 90
AP Pass Rate (2024) - 74 %
AP Scholars (2024) - 72
National Merit (since 1998) - 72 Semifinalists

**Rank Policy** - Due to the small size of its classes, competitive nature of its student body, and challenging college preparatory curriculum, LRCA does not rank its students.

# **GRADING SCALE**

Percentage Grade	Letter Grade	GPA Equivalent
97 - 100	A+	4.3
93 - 96	A	4.15
90 - 92	A-	4.0
87 - 89	B+	3.67
83-86	В	3.33
80-82	B-	3.00
77 - 79	(+	2.67
73 - 76	С	2.33
70 - 72	(-	2.00
67 - 69	D+	1.67
63 - 66	D	1.33
60 - 62	D-	1.00
0 - 59	F	0

For Honors & Concurrent courses, add .5 weight For AP courses, add 1.0 weight

#### **FIVE YEAR ACT AVERAGE: 25**

**FIVE YEAR SAT AVERAGE: 1264** 

FIVE YEAR AP PASS AVERAGE: 77%



#### **Graduation Requirements**

- Math 4 units
- Science 3 units
- English 4 units
- Social Studies 3 units
- World Language 2 consecutive units
- Biblical Worldview 1 unit for each year enrolled
- STEM .5 unit
- Fine Arts .5 unit
- Physical Education .5 unit
- Oral Communication .5 unit
- Health & Safety .5 unit
- J-Term minimum .25 unit for each year enrolled
- Students must accrue 28 total credits
- 20 service hours required each grade level beginning in 2023-2024

#### **ADMINISTRATORS**

Dr. Justin A. Smith, Head of School Dr. Adam Funmaker, Head of Upper School

# COUNSELORS Lauren Crafton

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#### **SCHEDULE**

LRCA uses an eight period alternating block schedule. Each block is 80 minutes with four blocks a day, alternating between A and B days

#### **BWV**

Students learn the fundamentals of Christian doctrine as well as the foundations of church history and humanity's intellectual history. The goal is to understand, identify, and assess competing worldviews and philosophies. LRCA desires to equip students in discerning truth and untruth in culture, academia, as well as their own lives and relationships.

#### I-TERM

Modeled after the collegiate January Term, "J-Term" is designed to increase learning opportunities for students. We offer classes and experiences not normally available, giving students an opportunity to learn in areas of passion, discover and develop their gifts, explore new ideas and skills, and consider where God may be leading them in their lives. The "block" nature of J-Term allows for focused, indepth study and deeper relationships with teachers and a small group of students.

#### HARKNESS PEDAGOGY

Harkness learning is best characterized by student-centered discussions. Similar to Socratic Seminar, Harkness learning places a group of students and their instructor at the same table, charged with the collective tasks of inquiry and collaboration. However, Harkness differs from Socratic learning by placing the responsibility for questioning, evaluating, and contributing on the students. Ultimately, the goal of Harkness learning is to offer students an enhanced understanding of a shared text or artifact. The Harkness Method is employed in all BWV and English classes. Social studies and hard sciences also utilize Harkness to a degree.

#### **CAPSTONE**

Honors Senior Capstone is an independent research course designed to offer students the opportunity to pursue a course of study beyond the typical high school class. Students apply for the program in the spring of their junior year and draft a proposed course of study. Once a proposal is reviewed and accepted, students select a faculty adviser and begin to craft their next year of work. The purpose of Capstone is to introduce students to a collegiate model of research and prepare them to succeed in higher level, independent studies.

### LRCA ADVANCED CURRICULUM

- 19 AP: Statistics, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Physics I, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science Principles, Language & Composition, Literature & Composition, World History, US History, US Government & Politics, Psychology, Human Geography, Microeconomics, Music Theory, 2D Art & Design, 3D Art & Design, Drawing
- Honors 33 courses: Honors Geometry, Honors Algebra II, Honors Pre-Calculus, UCA College Algebra, UCA Trigonometry, Honors Physics, Honors Chemistry, Honors Biology, Honors Freshman English, Honors Sophomore English, JBU Comp I, JBU Comp II, JBU Communications, UCA America in the Modern Era, Honors French II, French for Travelers, French Culture or History, Honors French Children's Literature, Honors French Grammar & Composition, Honors Conversational French\*, Honors Survey of French History\*, Honors Spanish II, Honors Spanish III, Honors Spanish IV, Honors Spanish V, Honors Senior Capstone, OBU Survey of the Bible, OBU Interpreting the Bible, Honors Ceramics III, Honors Advanced Ceramics, Honors Senior Portfolio, Honors Studio Art II, Honors Studio Art III
- \*- electives replacing Honors French III and IV

# ACCEPTANCES & MATRICULATIONS 1999 - PRESENT

LRCA students have been accepted into more than 480 colleges and universities since 1999, including the following:

# All - Acceptances • Bold - Matriculations • + - Multiple Matriculations

Abilene Christian University Agnes Scott College American University

**Arizona State University** Arkansas State University + Arkansas Tech University + Auburn University + **Barnard College Baylor University + Belmont University +** 

Berry College Bible Institute of Los Angeles Boston College Boston University Carnegie Mellon University

**Case Western University** 

Centenary College (LA) Centre College Clemson University Colby College

College of Charleston **Colorado Christian University** Colorado College

**Colorado School of Mines Columbia University** 

Cornell University Davidson College **Duke University** Eckerd College Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University **Emory University** Emory & Henry College

Florida A&M University

Florida State University Fordham University Furman University

**Georgetown University** Georgia Institute of Technology Gettysburg College Gordon College + Grambling State University

Grand Canyon University + **Grinnell College Hampden-Sydney College** Harding University + **Harvard University** Hendrix College + **Hillsdale College Howard University + Iowa State University Ithaca College** John Brown University + John Cabot University (Italy)

Liberty University + **Lipscomb University** Louisiana State University + Louisiana Tech University +

**Loyola Marymount University** Loyola University, Chicago

Loyola University, New Orleans + Lyon College

Mary Immaculate College (Ire.) Michigan State University Middle Tennessee State University Millsaps College

Mississippi College Mississippi State University + Missouri University of Science & Technology **Murray State University** 

North Carolina State University **New York University** Northeastern University Oberlin College **Ohio State University** 

**Oklahoma Baptist University** 

Oklahoma State University +

Oregon State University

Ouachita Baptist University + Oxford College at Emory University **Palm Beach Atlantic University** 

Pennsylvania State University Pepperdine University

**Point Loma Nazarene University** Princeton University

Pulaski Technical College +

**Purdue University +** Reed College

Regis University Rhodes College + Rollins College

Saint Louis University Samford University + San Diego State University

Santa Clara University Savannah College of Art & Design +

Sewanee University

Southern Arkansas University Southern Methodist University + Spelman College

Swarthmore College

**Syracuse University** Taylor University

Texas A&M University + **Texas Christian University +** Transylvania University

Trinity University + **Tulane University** University of Alabama + University of Arizona University of Arkansas +

University of Arkansas Little Rock + **University of Arkansas Monticello** University of Arkansas Pine Bluff + University of California Davis

University of California Irvine

**University of California Los Angeles + University of California San Diego** University of California Santa Barbara

University of Central Arkansas +

University of Chicago University of Colorado Boulder +

University of Denver University of Edinburgh (UK) University of Florida

University of Georgia University of Illinois University of Iowa

University of Kansas University of Kentucky + University of Maryland

**University of Memphis** University of Michigan

University of Mississippi + University of Missouri +

University of Mobile **University of North Carolina** 

Chapel Hill **University of North Texas** 

**University of Notre Dame** University of Oklahoma + University of Oregon

University of Pennsylvania **University of Pittsburgh** University of San Diego

**University of Southern California** 

University of Tennessee University of Texas

University of Tulsa + University of Virginia University of Washington

**University of Wisconsin** United States Air Force Academy +

**CEEB Code - 041453**