

# 2024-2025 School Profile



CHARLOTTE  
COUNTRY DAY  
SCHOOL

In every Country Day classroom—from junior kindergarten to our most rigorous Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IB) courses—students explore possibilities, gain skills and knowledge, and immerse themselves in self-discovery and global understanding. The quality of Country Day's college preparatory program is most evident in our Upper School: students explore their emerging passions and ultimately take ownership of their learning journey through a variety of courses and activities.

## Signature Programs & School Community

Charlotte Country Day values both the academic and personal development of our students, and we seek to foster intellectual curiosity, principled character, ethical leadership, and a responsibility to serve the community and broader world.



**Weddington Farm** provides a 330-acre living classroom where students and teachers engage in hands-on outdoor and experiential learning. The farm includes produce, livestock, beekeeping, mushroom farming, and an eight-mile trail system. The diverse landscape offers integrated educational programming in sustainable agriculture, ecology, biology, environmental science, and entrepreneurship.



Every April since 1984, the Upper School takes a two-day break from classes to host the **Special Olympics** Mecklenburg County Spring Games. Students serve as buddies, timekeepers, and event assistants at this special event. Our students walk away with a new appreciation for the power of inclusion, acceptance, and respect.



A strong **advisory program** helps students seek rigor with intention and provides them with a trusted adult advocate as they navigate their academic journey.



**Senior Externship** provides students a job shadowing and mentoring experience that exposes them to opportunities matching their interests and connects them to nearly 175 employers and organizations.



A summer **Science Outreach Program** gives motivated students opportunities to serve as researchers at college labs and a new state-of-the-art math and science building delivers innovative, hands-on curriculum and lab work for all students.



**Spirit Week** is a hallmark event in the Upper School, focusing on school and local community through service and friendly competition among classes.

Significant leadership opportunities are available for students across 45 different clubs and activities, including Honor Council, Student Government, Affinity Groups, Athletics, Theatre Arts, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and more.

## By the Numbers

**13** grades served (Junior Kindergarten – 12)

**1,744** Total Enrollment

**548** Upper School Enrollment

**14%** International Students

**21%** Students of Color

**20%** Students receiving financial aid (\$9.2 Million)

**7:1** Student to Faculty ratio in Upper School



**72** Sports Teams across Middle & Upper School

**85%** of Students participating in a Middle or Upper School athletic team

**17** Student-athletes from the Class of 2024 continuing their sport at the college level

**60** Student-athletes from the last four classes continuing their sport at the college level

**70** Arts performances and events per year



## Accreditation

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools  
Southern Association of Independent Schools

## Selected Memberships & Academic Organizations

National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS)  
North Carolina Association of Independent Schools (NCAIS)  
Cum Laude Society  
Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE)  
The College Board  
International Baccalaureate Diploma Program  
Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools  
National Association for College Admission Counseling  
Southern Association for College Admission Counseling  
National Art Honor Society  
National Honor Society  
Tri-M Music Honor Society  
National Junior Honor Society

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## Upper School Faculty at a Glance

**78** administrative and teaching staff



**100%** engage in professional development each year

**76%** hold advanced degrees



AP exam readers, Klingenstein Fellows, National Board graders, National Board Certified, Arts and Science grant winners, World Affairs Council grant winners

## Academic Achievements

### GPA Distributions Class of 2025 (138 seniors)

Represents grades earned only at Charlotte Country Day, as of the end of the junior year.

Quintile	Range	Mean
Top	4.805-4.275	4.540
2nd	4.260-3.926	4.093
3rd	3.919-3.599	3.759
4th	3.597-3.268	3.432
5th	3.266-2.076	2.671

### SAT Scores Class of 2024

Middle 50% score range:

Evidence-Based Reading & Writing	585 – 700
Math	590 – 690
Total	1155 – 1385

### ACT Scores Class of 2024

Middle 50% score range:

Composite	24–31
English	23–32
Math	22–29
Reading	24–32
Science	24–31

## College Scholarships

**\$11.9 Million** total scholarship offers to the class of 2024 based on academic merit, athletic abilities and special talents.

**Notable awards for recent graduates:** Coca Cola Scholar; Jack Kent Cooke Scholar; Military Academy Appointments; Morehead-Cain Scholars; QuestBridge College Match Scholar; Ron Brown Scholar

**National Merit:** The Class of 2024 included 1 Scholar, 7 Finalists, 7 Semifinalists, 1 College-Sponsored Scholar, and 2 Commended Scholars.

## The Advanced Placement Program







Charlotte Country Day recognizes the profound impact of the AP program on student development. By having the opportunity to engage with sophisticated concepts, students sharpen their critical thinking skills and gain early exposure to the rigor of college-level coursework. Our comprehensive AP offerings empower students to delve deeply into their passions and strengths, encouraging them to take charge of their educational journey and explore their academic interests with greater depth and confidence.

As a school, we value the opportunity for reflection as students select the areas in which they want to engage with highest rigor, balancing challenge with intentionality.

### AP Results

In 2024, 223 students wrote 532 AP exams.

### RESULTS BY DISCIPLINE

Discipline	Tests Scoring 3+	Tests Scoring 4 or 5
 English	94%	69%
 Fine Arts	71%	30%
 History/Social Science	94%	83%
 Math	74%	56%
 Modern & Classical Languages	90%	77%
 Science	93%	68%
<b>Overall</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>70%</b>

# Curricular Highlights and Grading Policy

Charlotte Country Day offers 24 Advanced Placement courses, Honors options in 14 subject areas, and a full International Baccalaureate Diploma Program.

## Graduation Requirements

Each Upper School student earning a Charlotte Country Day School diploma will have successfully completed a minimum of 21 academic credits in a series of required courses and electives, based on individual interests and needs. Full-year courses earn 1.0 academic credits and semester courses earn 0.5 academic credits. Those 21 total credits must include the following:

English Language & Literature	4 credits
Mathematics	4 credits
Sciences	3 credits
History & Social Studies	3 credits
Modern & Classical Languages	2 credits
Fine Arts	1.5 credits

## ADVANCED COURSE OPTIONS INCLUDE:

	Honors	AP/IB	Post-AP
<b>English</b>		AP English Language & Composition AP English Literature IB English 11 IB English 12	
<b>Mathematics</b>	H Geometry H Algebra II H Algebra II/Precalculus H Precalculus	AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Computer Science A AP Statistics IB Applications SL IB Analysis SL	Advanced AP Statistics with R and R Studio Calc III/IB Analysis HL
<b>Sciences/ Technology</b>	H Chemistry H Physics H Engineering (.5)	AP Biology IB Biology (SL/HL) AP Environmental Science AP Chemistry IB Chemistry (SL/HL) AP Physics	Organic Chemistry (.5) Physical Computational Biochemistry (.5)
<b>History and Social Studies</b>	H Modern World History	IB World History AP United States History IB History of the Americas AP Psychology IB Psychology AP Human Geography AP European History AP US/Comparative Government & Politics IB Theory of Knowledge	
<b>Modern and Classical Languages</b>	H Chinese I, II, III, IV, V H French II, III, IV H Spanish II, III, IV H Latin II, III, IV	IB Chinese AP French Language & Culture IB French HL AP Spanish Language & Culture IB Spanish HL AP Latin IB Latin	
<b>Fine Arts</b>	H Chamber Choir H Concert Choir H Symphonic Band H Orchestra	AP Music Theory AP Studio: 2D Art IB Art I & II (SL, HL) AP Studio: Design/Photography AP Studio: Sculpture AP Art History IB Theater Arts (SL, HL)	

AP courses are generally not available until the junior year. We recommend students take no more than three APs each year, but we do not limit.

## Grading Scale

A	100–90
B	89–80
C	79–70
D	69–60
F	59 and below

## Weighted Courses:

0.5 is added to the GPA calculation for Honors courses. 1.0 is added for AP/IB courses.

## The IB Diploma Program

Charlotte Country Day was the first independent school in North Carolina to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program.

Approximately 20 students enroll in the full IB program each year. Over the last five years, our IB students have had an average diploma pass rate of 91%.

The IB Diploma Program is designed to establish a standard for international education and cultivate the skills necessary to succeed at the university level. The two-year program provides juniors and seniors with a well-rounded curriculum, promotes international mindedness, and emphasizes service learning.



- 82% of Upper School students take at least one advanced course (includes Honors, AP, or IB) before graduation.
- 77% of the Class of 2025 enrolled in at least one AP class during Upper School.
- The Class of 2025 took the following number of AP classes throughout Upper School (excludes students in the IB program):  
0-2: 54 students  
3-5: 44 students  
6+: 40 students

COUNTRY DAY  
**Ready.**

# College Acceptances 2021–2024

**Bold** indicates schools enrolling one or more members of the Class of 2024

## NORTH CAROLINA

**Appalachian State University**  
 Belmont Abbey College  
 Campbell University  
 Cape Fear Community College  
 Catawba College  
 Central Piedmont Community College  
 Davidson College  
**Duke University**  
**East Carolina University**  
 Elon University  
 Fayetteville State University  
 Gardner-Webb University  
 Greensboro College  
 Guilford College  
 High Point University  
 Johnson & Wales University (Charlotte)  
 Lees-McRae College  
 Lenoir-Rhyne University  
 Mars Hill University  
 Meredith College  
**North Carolina A & T State University**  
**North Carolina Central University**  
**North Carolina State University**  
 North Carolina Wesleyan University  
 Pfeiffer University  
 Queens University of Charlotte  
 Saint Augustine's University  
 University of North Carolina at Asheville  
**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**  
**University of North Carolina at Charlotte**  
 University of North Carolina at Greensboro  
 University of North Carolina at Pembroke  
 University of North Carolina School of the Arts  
 University of North Carolina Wilmington  
**Wake Forest University**  
 Western Carolina University  
 Wingate University  
 Winston-Salem State University

**SOUTHEAST**  
**Auburn University**  
**Belmont University**  
 Birmingham-Southern College (CLOSED)  
 Brenau University  
 Centre College  
 Clark Atlanta University  
**Clemson University**  
 Coastal Carolina University  
 Coker University  
 College of Charleston  
 Eckerd College  
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Daytona Beach)  
 Emory University  
 Flagler College  
 Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University  
 Florida Atlantic University  
 Florida International University  
**Florida State University**  
**Furman University**  
 Georgia Institute of Technology  
 Georgia State University  
 Hendrix College  
 Jacksonville University  
 Limestone University  
 Lipscomb University  
**Louisiana State University**  
 Loyola University New Orleans  
 Lynn University  
 Maryville College  
 Mississippi State University  
 Oglethorpe University  
**Presbyterian College**  
 Rhodes College  
**Rollins College**  
 Samford University  
**Savannah College of Art and Design**  
 Sewanee: The University of the South  
 South Carolina State University  
 Spelman College  
 Stetson University  
**The University of Alabama**  
 The University of Tampa  
**The University of Tennessee (Knoxville)**  
**Tulane University of Louisiana**  
 University of Arkansas  
 University of Central Florida  
 University of Florida  
**University of Georgia**  
**University of Kentucky**  
**University of Louisville**  
 University of Memphis

**University of Miami**  
**University of Mississippi**  
**University of South Carolina**  
 University of South Carolina (Upstate)  
 University of South Florida (Main Campus)  
**Vanderbilt University**  
 Winthrop University  
**Wofford College**  
 Xavier University of Louisiana

**MID-ATLANTIC**  
 Allegheny College  
 American University  
 Arcadia University  
 Bridgewater College  
 Bryn Mawr College  
 Bucknell University  
 Cabrini University  
 Canisius University  
**Carnegie Mellon University**  
 Christopher Newport University  
 Colgate University  
 Columbia University  
 Cornell University  
 Dickinson College  
 Drexel University  
 Duquesne University  
**Fordham University**  
 George Mason University  
**George Washington University**  
 Georgetown University  
 Hamilton College  
 Hampden-Sydney College  
**Hampton University**  
 Haverford College  
 Hobart and William Smith Colleges  
 Hofstra University  
 Howard University  
 Ithaca College  
 James Madison University  
 Johns Hopkins University  
**Lafayette College**  
**Lehigh University**  
**Liberty University**  
 Longwood University  
 Loyola University Maryland  
 Marshall University  
 Maryland Institute College of Art  
 Marymount Manhattan College  
 Muhlenberg College  
 New York University  
 Pace University (New York City)  
 Penn State University (University Park)  
 Pratt Institute  
 Princeton University  
 Radford University  
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
 Roanoke College  
 Rochester Institute of Technology  
 Rutgers University (Camden)  
 Rutgers University (New Brunswick)  
 Saint Joseph's University  
 Sarah Lawrence College  
 Seton Hall University  
 Shenandoah University  
 Skidmore College  
 St. John's University  
 St. Lawrence University  
 Stevens Institute of Technology  
 Stony Brook University  
 Swarthmore College  
 Sweet Briar College  
 Syracuse University  
 Temple University  
 United States Naval Academy  
 University of Delaware  
 University of Lynchburg  
 University of Mary Washington  
 University of Maryland (College Park)  
 University of Maryland Eastern Shore  
**University of Pennsylvania**  
**University of Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh)**  
**University of Richmond**  
 University of Rochester  
 University of Scranton  
**University of Virginia**  
 Villanova University  
 Virginia Commonwealth University  
**Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University**  
 Virginia State University  
 Virginia Wesleyan University  
 Wagner College  
**Washington and Lee University**

Waynesburg University  
 West Virginia University  
 West Virginia Wesleyan College  
**William & Mary**

**NEW ENGLAND**  
 Bates College  
 Boston College  
 Boston University  
 Brandeis University  
 Brown University  
 Clark University  
 Colby College  
**College of the Holy Cross**  
**Connecticut College**  
**Dartmouth College**  
 Emerson College  
 Fairfield University  
 Harvard University  
 Massachusetts College of Art and Design  
**Massachusetts Institute of Technology**  
 Middlebury College  
**Northeastern University**  
 Olin College of Engineering  
**Providence College**  
 Saint Michael's College  
 Suffolk University  
 The Boston Conservatory at Berklee  
 Trinity College  
**Tufts University**  
 University of Connecticut  
 University of Hartford  
 University of Massachusetts (Amherst)  
 University of Massachusetts (Boston)  
 University of Vermont  
 Wesleyan University  
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute  
 Yale University

**MIDWEST**  
 Augustana College  
 Butler University  
 Calvin University  
 Carleton College  
**Case Western Reserve University**  
 Creighton University  
**Denison University**  
 DePaul University  
 DePauw University  
 Earlham College  
**Indiana University (Bloomington)**  
 Kent State University  
**Kernon College**  
 Lake Forest College  
 Loyola University Chicago  
 Marquette University  
 Miami University (Oxford)  
**Michigan State University**  
 Northwestern University  
 Ohio University (Main Campus)  
**Purdue University (Main Campus)**  
 Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology  
 Saint Louis University  
 School of the Art Institute of Chicago  
 The College of Wooster  
**The Ohio State University**  
**University of Chicago**  
 University of Cincinnati (Main Campus)  
 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**University of Iowa**  
 University of Kansas  
 University of Michigan  
 University of Minnesota (Twin Cities)  
 University of Missouri (Columbia)  
 University of Nebraska (Lincoln)  
 University of Notre Dame  
**University of Wisconsin (Madison)**  
 Washington University in St. Louis  
 Xavier University

**WEST**  
 Claremont McKenna College  
 Colorado School of Mines  
 Colorado State University (Fort Collins)  
 Gonzaga University  
 Hawai'i Pacific University  
 Loyola Marymount University  
**Metropolitan State University of Denver**  
 Montana State University  
 Occidental College  
 Pepperdine University  
**Santa Clara University**  
 Seattle University  
 Stanford University  
**University of California (Berkeley)**  
 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 California (Santa Cruz)  
**University of Colorado Boulder**  
 University of Denver  
 University of Hawaii at Manoa  
 University of Nevada (Las Vegas)  
 University of Oregon  
 University of San Diego  
 University of San Francisco  
**University of Southern California**  
 University of Utah  
 University of Washington (Seattle Campus)  
 University of Wyoming  
 Zaytuna College

**SOUTHWEST**  
 Arizona State University (Tempe)  
 Austin College  
 Baylor University  
 Oklahoma City University  
 Rice University  
**Southern Methodist University**  
**Texas Christian University**  
 Texas State University  
**The University of Texas at Austin**  
 The University of Texas at Dallas  
 University of Arizona

**INTERNATIONAL**  
 Duke Kunshan University  
 Durham University  
 King's College London  
 Richmond American University London  
**RWTH Technical University of Aachen**  
 The University of Edinburgh  
 University of Glasgow  
 University of St Andrews  
 University of Toronto  
 Western University (D)

**CLASS OF 2024 COLLEGE DESTINATION BY REGION**

