

# THE SUMMIT

## COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

# 2024-2025 PROFILE

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### WHO WE ARE

The Summit Country Day School, founded in 1890, is a coeducational, Catholic, college preparatory school grounded in the values of our founders, the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. Located on a 24-acre campus in Hyde Park, a residential area just five minutes from downtown Cincinnati, students hail from 33 different school districts in Ohio, Kentucky, & Indiana.

The school has a current enrollment of 1,075 students in a Montessori preschool and divisions through grade 12. The Upper School consists of 359 students and 47 highly trained teaching faculty. 38% of students are offered financial aid/scholarships.

Consistently ranked as one of the top high schools in Cincinnati, our mission is to develop leaders of character across five pillars: academic, athletic, social, spiritual and artistic. Our diverse student body excels at a wealth of enrichment activities including, but not limited to, leadership teams, clubs, competitive athletics, the arts, Christian Service, student broadcasting, Mock Trial, Robotics, philanthropy, ministry, and diversity.

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### ACCREDITATION

Independent Schools Association  
of the Central States (ISACS)

### MEMBERSHIPS

National Association of  
Independent Schools (NAIS)

National Association of College  
Admission Counselors (NACAC)

Ohio Association of College  
Admission Counselors (OACAC)

Association for College  
Counselors in Independent  
Schools (ACCIS)

### GRADING SCALE

- The Summit uses a weighted 4-point scale, +.666 Honors and +1.33 AP
- Cumulative GPA is calculated using the two semester letter grades for year-long classes and the final grade for one semester classes

|    |        |     |    |       |     |    |       |     |    |       |     |
|----|--------|-----|----|-------|-----|----|-------|-----|----|-------|-----|
| A+ | 97-100 | 4.3 | B+ | 87-89 | 3.3 | C+ | 77-79 | 2.3 | D+ | 67-69 | 1.3 |
| A  | 94-96  | 4.0 | B  | 84-86 | 3.0 | C  | 74-76 | 2.0 | D  | 64-66 | 1.0 |
| A- | 90-93  | 3.7 | B- | 80-83 | 2.7 | C- | 70-73 | 1.7 | D- | 60-63 | 0.7 |

### HONORS & AP COURSES

All courses are college preparatory. Our goal is to provide a challenging, but balanced course load for each student. Course selection is based upon a partnership among the student, the family and the school.

Students are admitted to Honors and AP courses by faculty recommendation based on demonstrated ability, work ethic, and interest. The following are the advanced courses in each subject area:

#### ENGLISH

Honors American Literature  
Honors World Literature  
AP English Language  
AP English Literature

#### HISTORY/SOCIAL SCIENCES

Honors Modern World  
Hon. Holocaust & Human Behavior  
Honors Global Issues  
AP Human Geography  
AP Micro & Macro Economics  
AP U.S. Government  
AP U.S. History  
AP Psychology  
AP World History

#### MATH

Honors Algebra II  
Honors Geometry  
Honors Trig/Pre-Calc  
Calculus  
AP Calculus AB  
AP Statistics

#### SCIENCE

Honors Biology  
Honors Chemistry  
Honors Physics  
Honors Anatomy & Physiology  
Honors Materials Science/Eng.  
AP Biology  
AP Chemistry  
AP Environmental Science  
AP Physics I  
AP Physics C

#### WORLD LANGUAGES

Honors Ancient Greek  
Honors Chinese II, III, IV, V  
Honors French II, III, IV  
Honors Latin II, III, IV  
Honors Spanish II, III, IV  
Honors Communication:  
Chinese, French, Spanish  
AP French Language  
AP Spanish Language

#### FINE ART

Honors Portfolio  
AP Music Theory  
AP Portfolio (2D & Drawing)

#### COMPUTER SCIENCE

AP Computer Science Principles  
AP Computer Science A

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (25 credits)

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| English                | 4 |
| History/Social Science | 3 |
| Math                   | 4 |
| Science                | 3 |
| World Language         | 3 |
| Religion               | 4 |
| Fine Art               | 1 |

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| Health             | .5     |
| P.E.               | .5     |
| Leadership         | .5     |
| Financial Literacy | .5     |
| Speech             | .25    |
| Electives          | 1      |
| Christian Service  | 48 hrs |

### POLICY ON THE REPORTING OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION

The Summit Country Day College Counseling Office will answer questions posed by colleges and report appropriate records that colleges may request regarding major disciplinary action including suspension and expulsion. The Summit expects students to disclose their disciplinary history when it is required of them in the college application and enrollment process.



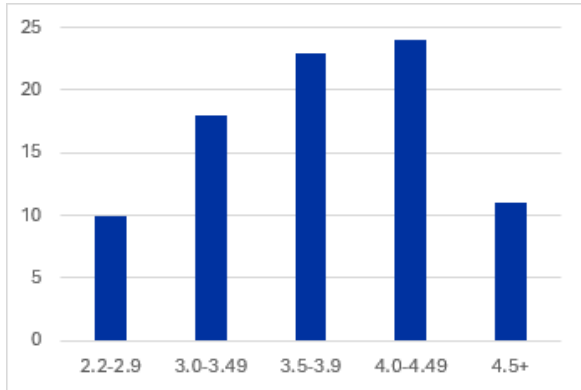
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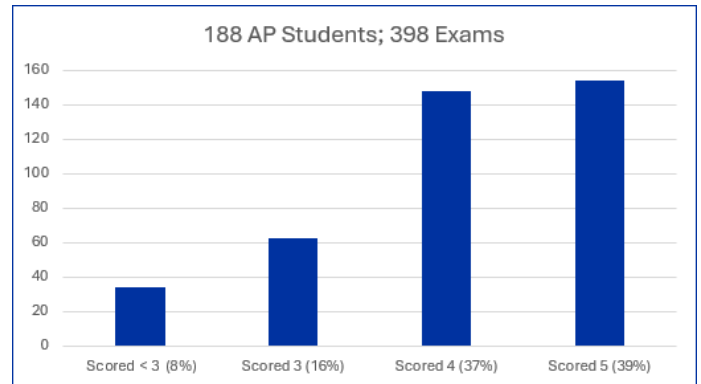
### ACADEMIC CURRICULUM

- The Summit operates on a traditional semester system - the school day has five 65-minute bells; each class meets three times a week
- Students must take six full credit/full bell courses each semester
- Class scheduling does not permit students to enroll in all courses for which they are eligible
- While students very rarely take AP courses before sophomore year, 98% of students in the Class of 2024 took at least one AP course
- Students enrolled in AP courses are required to take the AP Exam
- The Summit does not rank students, a result of our small class size and the considerable percentage of high academic achievers

### CLASS OF 2025 6 SEMESTER GRADE DISTRIBUTION



### 2024 AP SCORE SUMMARY



### CLASS OF 2024 ACT

|           | Middle 50% | Mean |
|-----------|------------|------|
| Composite | 25-31      | 27.8 |
| English   | 25-33      | 28   |
| Math      | 24-31      | 27   |
| Reading   | 25-34      | 29   |
| Science   | 24-31      | 27   |

### CLASS OF 2024 SAT

|       | Middle 50% | Mean |
|-------|------------|------|
| Total | 1240-1473  | 1331 |
| ERW   | 628-725    | 668  |
| Math  | 608-758    | 667  |

### CLASS OF 2025 ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

- 7% recognized by National Merit Scholarship Corporation
- 23 total AP Scholar Awards including 8 Scholars, 4 Scholars with Honor, and 11 Scholars with Distinction
- 2 National Hispanic Recognition Awardees
- 2 National African American Awardees

### CLASS OF 2024 OUTCOMES

- 86 seniors submitted applications to 198 unique colleges
- Graduates are attending 54 colleges in 24 states, District of Columbia, and abroad
- 60% attending public colleges, 40% private

### LEADERS OF CHARACTER

The Leaders of Character program is built upon three domains, developing self, building community, and serving God and has components that are required of all students. These include activities that are a part of our Advisement program, Gathering Bells, and our curriculum. Additional leadership opportunities are available to students including leadership teams, and faculty and student led organizations and clubs. These teams, organizations, and clubs share a common leadership curriculum that reflects our three domains and the attributes that define them. All students are encouraged to pursue what they enjoy, to try new activities, and then to work at being leaders in things for which they feel passionate.



### WRITING SKILLS

Upon graduation, Summit students will have been successfully challenged to write a variety of styles with vigor. Students write across the disciplines and will have completed five research papers at the end of their Summit tenure. 89 percent of our college-age alumni rank their writing ability higher than their college peers.

# COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES 2021-2024

Alabama A&M University  
Allegheny College  
American Musical and Dramatic Academy  
Anderson University  
Appalachian State University  
**Arizona State University**  
Ashland University  
**Auburn University**  
Ave Maria University  
Baldwin Wallace University  
Ball State University  
**Bates College**  
Baylor University  
**Bellarmine University**  
**Belmont University**  
**Benedictine College**  
**Bentley University**  
Berea College  
**Bethany College**  
Bluffton University  
**Boston College**  
**Boston University**  
**Bowling Green State University**  
Bradley University  
Brown University  
**Butler University**  
Cal Poly Humboldt  
California State Polytechnic University  
California State University  
**Calvin University**  
**Capital University**  
**Case Western Reserve University**  
**Catholic University of America**  
Cedarville University  
Central Michigan University  
Central State University  
**Centre College**  
Champlain College  
Citadel Military College  
Clark Atlanta University  
**Clemson University**  
**Cleveland State University**  
**Coastal Carolina University**  
**Colby College**  
**Colgate University**  
College of Charleston  
**College of the Holy Cross**  
Colorado College  
**Colorado State University**  
Columbia College  
Columbia University  
Connecticut College  
**Cornell University**  
**Culinary Institute of America**  
**Dartmouth College**  
**Davidson College**  
**Denison University**  
**DePaul University**  
**DePauw University**  
Dickinson College  
Drexel University  
**Duquesne University**  
Earlham College  
Eastern Illinois University  
Eastern Kentucky University  
Elizabeth City State University  
**Elon University**  
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University  
**Emerson College**  
**Emory University**  
Fisk University  
Florida Ag and Mechanical University  
Florida Atlantic University  
**Florida Gulf Coast University**  
**Florida Institute of Technology**  
Florida International University  
Florida Southern College  
Florida State University  
**Fordham University**  
Franciscan University  
Furman University  
Gannon University  
Geneva College  
**George Mason University**  
**George Washington University**  
**Georgetown University**  
**Georgia Institute of Technology**  
**Goucher College**  
Guilford College  
**Hampton University**  
Hanover College  
**Heidelberg University**  
**High Point University**

**Hillsdale College**  
Hiram College  
Houghton University  
**Howard University**  
**Huntington University**  
**IE University**  
**IE University Segovia**  
Indiana Institute of Technology  
**Indiana University**  
Iowa State University  
Ithaca College  
Jackson State University  
Jacksonville University  
**James Madison University**  
**John Carroll University**  
**Johns Hopkins University**  
**Kent State University**  
Kentucky State University  
**Kenyon College**  
King's College London  
**Lake Forest College**  
Lehigh University  
Lewis & Clark College  
Liberty University  
Lincoln Memorial University  
Lipscomb University  
Louisiana State University  
**Loyola Marymount University**  
**Loyola University Chicago**  
Loyola University Maryland  
**Loyola University New Orleans**  
Malone University  
Marian University  
**Marquette University**  
Marshall University  
**Marymount Manhattan College**  
Marymount University  
Massachusetts College of Art and Design  
Mercer University  
**Miami University**  
Michigan State University  
Miles College  
Missouri State University  
Montana State University  
Montclair State University  
Morehouse College  
**Morgan State University**  
Mount Holyoke College  
**Mount Saint Joseph University**  
Muhlenberg College  
New York Institute of Technology  
**New York University**  
Niagara University  
North Carolina A & T State University  
North Carolina Central University  
North Carolina State University  
Northeastern University  
Northern Kentucky University  
Northern Michigan University  
**Northwestern University**  
Nova Southeastern University  
**Oberlin College**  
Occidental College  
Ohio Northern University  
**Ohio University**  
**Ohio Wesleyan University**  
Oregon State University  
Otterbein University  
Pace University  
Palm Beach Atlantic University  
**Penn State University**  
Pepperdine University  
Point Loma Nazarene University  
Point Park University  
Prairie View A&M University  
Pratt Institute  
**Princeton University**  
**Purdue University**  
Queens University of Charlotte  
Reed College  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Rhodes College  
Rice University  
Rider University  
Ringling College of Art and Design  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
**Rollins College**  
**Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology**  
Rutgers University  
Saint Joseph's University  
**Saint Louis University**  
Saint Mary's College  
**Salve Regina University**  
San Diego State University

**Santa Clara University**  
Savannah College of Art and Design  
Seattle University  
Seton Hall University  
Shaw University  
Shenandoah University  
**Siena Heights University**  
Skidmore College  
South Carolina State University  
**Southern Methodist University**  
Southwest Minnesota State University  
Spalding University  
Spelman College  
**St. Bonaventure University**  
St. John's University  
**Stanford University**  
Stetson University  
Stevens Institute of Technology  
**Stonehill College**  
**Stony Brook University**  
SUNY College of Environ. Sci & Forestry  
**Syracuse University**  
Talladega College  
Temple University  
Tennessee State University  
Texas A&M University  
The American University of Paris  
The College of Wooster  
The London School of Econ. & Poli Sci  
The New School  
**The Ohio State University**  
**The University of Alabama**  
The University of Edinburgh  
The University of Tampa  
**The University of Tennessee**  
**Thomas More University**  
Tiffin University  
Towson University  
Transylvania University  
**Trine University**  
Trinity Christian College  
Trinity College  
Tulane University of Louisiana  
Tuskegee University  
**US Air Force Academy**  
US Merchant Marine Academy  
**US Military Academy at West Point**  
**US Naval Academy**  
University College London  
**University of Aberdeen**  
University of Akron Main Campus  
**University of Arizona**  
University of Bristol  
University of British Columbia  
**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 Chicago**  
**University of Cincinnati**  
**University of Colorado Boulder**  
University of Colorado Denver  
University of Connecticut  
University of Dallas  
**University of Dayton**  
**University of Denver**  
University of Evansville  
**University of Florida**  
**University of Georgia**  
University of Gloucestershire  
University of Greenwich  
**University of Hawaii at Hilo**  
University of Hawaii at Manoa  
University of Houston  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
University of Iowa  
**University of Kentucky**  
University of Lincoln  
**University of Louisville**  
University of Maine  
**University of Maryland**  
University of Massachusetts  
**University of Miami**  
University of Michigan  
**University of Minnesota**  
**University of Mississippi**  
University of Missouri  
University of Mount Union  
University of Nevada  
**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**  
University of North Carolina at Charlotte  
University of North Carolina at Greensboro

University of North Carolina Wilmington  
University of North Florida  
**University of Notre Dame**  
University of Oklahoma  
University of Oregon  
University of Pennsylvania  
**University of Pittsburgh**  
University of Puget Sound  
University of Richmond  
**University of Rio Grande**  
**University of Rochester**  
University of San Diego  
University of San Francisco  
University of South Alabama  
**University of South Carolina**  
University of South Florida  
**University of Southern California**  
**University of St Andrews**  
University of Stirling  
University of Toledo  
**University of Utah**  
University of Vermont  
**University of Virginia**  
University of Washington  
**University of Wisconsin (Madison)**  
**Vanderbilt University**  
Vassar College  
**Villanova University**  
Virginia Commonwealth University  
**Virginia Polytechnic Insti. and State Univ.**  
Virginia State University  
Voorhees University  
**Wake Forest University**  
**Walsh University**  
Washington College  
Washington State University  
**Washington University in St. Louis**  
Wentworth Institute of Technology  
**Wesleyan University**  
**West Chester University of Pennsylvania**  
**West Virginia University**  
**Western Carolina University**  
**Western Kentucky University**  
Western Michigan University  
Western Washington University  
Westmont College  
Whittier College  
Wichita State University  
Wilberforce University  
William & Mary  
Wilmington College  
**Wittenberg University**  
Woodbury University  
**Wright State University**  
**Xavier University**  
Xavier University of Louisiana  
Youngstown State University

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