HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE 2025



MISSION

Franklin Road Academy provides a challenging educational experience in an inclusive Christian community with an unwavering commitment to develop leaders of integrity and purpose.

We will:

- **Inspire** in our students a lifelong love of learning through a dynamic academic program which will prepare them for success in life;
- **Encourage** students to discover their passions through opportunities in academics, the arts, athletics, and servant leadership;
- **Nurture** leaders of integrity, guided by Christian principles, compelled to lead lives of compassionate global citizenship

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OVERVIEW

STUDENT BODY

1130 Students (Pre-K - 12, Co-educational)
44 different zip codes and diverse backgrounds
415 Students in Upper School
14 Average Class Size
8:1 Students to Teacher Ratio

ACADEMICS

29 AP Courses Offered Per Year
257 AP Students
89% Pass Rate on AP Exams
108 AP Scholars
19 Students Recognized by National Merit Scholarship Corporation 2024-2026

CLASS OF 2025

55 AP Scholars
19 Inductees into the Cum Laude Society
90 Seniors are attending
45 Unique Colleges in **22** states

UPPER SCHOOL CURRICULUM OFFERINGS

Students are required to take a minimum of six classes each semester, five of which must be core academic courses. Students must earn a total of 24 credits for graduation: four in both English and mathematics; three in the sciences and social studies; two in world language; one each in the fine arts, physical education, and religious studies. The remaining units may be taken in any department. Honors courses are denoted with (H). Students may take one AP course in 9th grade and up to two AP courses in 10th grade. **11th and 12th grade students are encouraged to take no more than three AP courses per year due to the rigor of curriculum across all FRA courses.**





ENGLISH	MATH		SCIENCE		SOCIAL STUDIES	LANGUAGE	RELIGIOUS STUDIES	FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS	PHYSICAL EDU. AND HEALTH	TECHNOLOGY	LEADERSHIP	AP CLASSES
English 1 H	Algebra 1	Algebra 2 H	Biology H		AP Human Geography	French 1-3	Christian Leadership	Art 1, 2, 3	Athletic Fitness	Broadcast Journalism	Leadership and Finance	AP Art History
English 1	Geometry	Geometry H	Biology		World History H	Latin 1-3	Life of Christ	Ceramics 1,2	Strength and Conditioning	Digital Media		AP Biology
English 2 H	Algebra 2	Algebra 2 H	Chemistry		World History	Spanish 1-3	Old Testament	Jazz Ensemble	Wellness	2D/3D Digital Design	Entrepreneurship 1H: Incubator	AP Calculus AB
English 2	Geometry	Pre-Calculus H	or Chemistry H		AP World History: Modern	French 4 H	New Testament	Vocal Ensemble	Dance	Design Thinking		AP Calculus BC
AP English Language	Pre-Calculus	AP Calculus BC AP Calculus AB	AP Biology	AP Chemistry	US History	Latin 4 H	Christian Ethics	Dramatic Arts 1	Advanced Dance	Game Theory & Design		AP Chemistry
English 3	Pre-Calculus H	Algebra 2	Physics H	Physics	AP US History	Spanish 4 H	Theology and Culture	Dramatic Arts 2		Graphic Design	Entrepreneurship 2H: Accelerator (Business Case Studies)	AP Computer Science A
English 4: Creative Writing, Fictional Words / AP English Language / English 4: Critical Writing and Thinking	AT Multivariable Calc	Pre-Calculus	AP Physics C: Mechanics	AP Physics 1	US History	French 5 H	World Religions	Theater Production		Innovations		AP Computer Science Principles
	AP Calculus BC	Calculus		AP Biology		Latin 5 H		Studio Garage Band		Robotics		AP English Language & Composition
	AP Calculus AB	Statistics				Spanish 5 H		Guitar		Yearbook	Entrepreneurship 3H: Scale	AP English Literature & Composition
AP Seminar (10-12)	AP Statistics (10-12)		AP Environmental Science Anatomy and Physiology (11-12) Organic Chemistry (11-12) Biotechnology (10-12) Engineering (10-12)		Economics (10-12) Government (10-12) Psychology (10-12) Sociology (10-12) AP Art History (11-12) AP Econ: Micro/Macro (11-12) AP European History (11-12) AP Government: US/Comp (11-12) AP Psychology (11-12) Criminology (11-12) Holocaust (11-12) World History: Since 1945 (11-12)	AP French Lang. or French 6 H		AP Drawing		AP Computer Science		AP Environmental Science
AP Seminar (11-12)						AP Latin or Latin 6 H		AP Music Theory		Principles		AP European History
						AP Spanish Lang. or Spanish 6 H		AP Studio Art: 3D Design		AP Computer Science A		AP French Language
						AP French Language		AP Art History				AP Human Geography
						AP Latin						AP Latin
						AP Spanish Language						AP Microeconomic/Macro
												AP Music Theory
												AP Physics C
												AP Psychology
												AP Research
												AP Seminar
												AP Spanish Language
												AP Statistics
												AP Studio Art
												AP Studio Art: 3D Design
												AP United States History
												AP World History: Modern
												AP U.S. Government and Politics
4 CREDITS REQUIRED	**4 CREDITS REQUIRED**		**3 CREDITS REQUIRED** IN BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, AND PHYSICS		**3 CREDITS REQUIRED** INCLUDING WORLD HISTORY AND US HISTORY	**2 CREDITS REQUIRED** 3-4 RECOMMENDED	**1 CREDIT REQUIRED**	**1 CREDIT REQUIRED**	**1 CREDIT REQUIRED**			

GRADING SCALE

Grading Scale (Fall 2025)

Grade	Range	GPA
A+	97 - 100	4.30
A	93 - 96	4.00
A-	90 - 92	3.75
B+	87 - 89	3.50
B	83 - 86	3.00
B-	80 - 82	2.75
C+	77 - 79	2.50
C	73 - 76	2.00
C-	70 - 72	1.75
D+	67-69	1.50
D	60-66	1.00
F	0-59	0.00
P	Pass	Pass

Grading Scale (Old)

Grade	Range	GPA
A+	97 - 100	4.30
A	93 - 96	4.00
A-	90 - 92	3.75
B+	87 - 89	3.50
B	83 - 86	3.00
B-	80 - 82	2.75
C+	77 - 79	2.50
C	73 - 76	2.00
C-	70 - 72	2.00
F	0-69	0.00

GPA Distribution (July 2025)

Range	Class of '24	Class of '25	Class of '26
4.30+	14	21	15
4.0-4.3	21	22	21
3.75-3.99	16	11	21
3.5-3.74	16	11	11
3.25-3.49	13	10	9
3.00-3.24	6	7	9
2.99-	7	9	9

Testing	2025 Middle 50% Test Scores
ACT	24 - 29
SAT Critical Reading & Math	1140-1420

National Merit Recognition

2023	5 Students
2024	4 Students
2025	5 Students
2026	5 Students

FRA is on a 4.30 scale for reporting grade point average. FRA calculates weighted GPA by adding 0.5 points for Honors courses and 1.0 points for AP and Advanced Topics (AT) courses. AT courses are post-AP classes that meet or exceed the rigor of AP-level work. FRA does not rank students. FRA does not rank its students. Advanced courses taken in Middle School are not included on the High School Transcript. FRA's transcript only includes courses and grades completed at FRA. If a student entered FRA with other high school credits, a transcript from that student's previous school will be attached to the FRA transcript.

ACADEMIC DISTINCTIONS

WORLD LANGUAGE

FRA's world language curriculum is an exceptionally rigorous, mastery-based progression that aligns with international AAPPL and ALIRA placement exams for grading. Please note this as you review world language progression and grades.

TURNER FELLOWSHIP

The Turner Fellowship program offers students the opportunity to serve with non-profit organizations within the Nashville community. Our Turner Fellows are recognized as exemplary FRA scholars with integrity, balance, and a strong commitment to community service. Each fellow completes a six-week paid internship and is eligible for a Turner Scholarship to the college of his/her choice. Each organization in which the fellows serve receives a financial contribution donated in honor of the Turner Fellow.

INTERIM

Upper school students participate in four, week-long experiential learning opportunities in which they serve in the community, explore the world, work in a professional setting, or learn a craft. Students participate in international mission trips, leadership development workshops, job shadowing at local corporations, and domestic or international trips.

CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURIAL LEADERSHIP

The Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership provides FRA students experiential and innovative learning opportunities which will develop the foundational skills required for success in entrepreneurial work. The curriculum and programs are designed to inspire students to pursue their passions while equipping them with the skills required to chart their own path.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Over the past five years, FRA students have been admitted to over 400 institutions. 90 students from the class of 2025 are attending 45 colleges in 22 states.

Agnes Scott College
Alabama A & M University
Alabama State University
American University
Appalachian State University
Arizona State University
Arkansas State University
Auburn University
Babson College
Baldwin Wallace University
Ball State University
Bard College
Bates College
Baylor University
Bellarmine University
Belmont Abbey College
Belmont University
Bentley University
Berklee College of Music
Berry College
Blackburn College
Boise State University
Boston College
Boston Conservatory at Berklee
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Bowie State University
Brandeis University
Brown University
Bucknell University
Butler University
Cal Poly
Cal Poly - Pomona
California Baptist University
Campbellsville University
Carleton College
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Centre College
Chapman University
Claremont McKenna College
Clark Atlanta University
Clark University
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
Colby College
Colgate University
College of Charleston
College of the Holy Cross
Colorado College
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Columbia College Chicago
Columbia University in the City of New York
Connecticut College
Cornell University
Creighton University
Dartmouth College
Davidson College
Denison University
DePaul University
DePauw University
Dickinson College
Duke University
East Tennessee State University
Eckerd College
Elon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Emerson College
Emory University
Fairfield University
Fisk University
Flagler College
Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University
Florida Atlantic University
Florida International University
Florida Polytechnic University
Florida State University
Fordham University
Furman University
George Mason University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia State University
Gettysburg College
Gonzaga University
Grinnell College
Hampden-Sydney College
Hampton University
Hawaii Pacific University
Hendrix College
High Point University
Hillsdale College
Hofstra University
Hope College
Howard University
Indiana University
James Madison University
Johns Hopkins University
Kenyon College
Lake Forest College
Lewis & Clark College
Lincoln Memorial University
Lipscomb University
Long Island University
Louisiana State University
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University New Orleans
Lynn University
Macalester College
Marshall University
Marymount Manhattan College
McGill University
McPherson College
Miami University-Oxford
Michigan State University
Middle Tennessee State University
Middlebury College
Millsaps College
Mississippi State University
Montana State University
Morehouse College
Mount Holyoke College
Muhlenberg College
New York University
North Carolina A & T State University
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
Notre Dame
Nova Southeastern University
Occidental College
Oglethorpe University
Ohio State University
Ohio University
Ohio Wesleyan University
Oklahoma State University
Otterbein University
Pace University
Pennsylvania State University
Pepperdine University
Pitzer College
Point Park University
Providence College
Purdue University
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhode Island School of Design
Rhodes College
Rice University
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Rutgers University
Saint Louis University
Salve Regina University
Samford University
San Diego State University
Santa Clara University
Sarah Lawrence College
Savannah College of Art and Design
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Seattle Pacific University
Seton Hall University
Skidmore College
Southeastern University
Southern Illinois University
Southern Methodist University
St. John's University
Stetson University
Swarthmore College
Syracuse University
Taylor University
Temple University
Tennessee State University
Tennessee Technological University
Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
Texas Tech University
The American University of Paris
The Catholic University of America
The College of Wooster
The George Washington University
The New School
The University of Alabama
The University of British Columbia
The University of Montana
The University of Tampa
The University of Tennessee-Chattanooga
The University of Tennessee-Knoxville
The University of Texas at Austin
The University of Texas at Dallas
The University of the South
Toronto Metropolitan University
Transylvania University
Trevecca Nazarene University
Trinity College
Trinity College Dublin
Trinity University
Tufts University
Tulane University of Louisiana
Tuskegee University
Union College (NY)
Union University
United States Air Force Academy
United States Military Academy
United States Naval Academy
University College Dublin
University of Alabama at Birmingham
University of Alabama in Huntsville
University of Arizona
University of Arkansas
University of California-Berkeley
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 Colorado Boulder
University of Connecticut
University of Dallas
University of Delaware
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Hawaii at Manoa
University of Houston
University of Illinois
University of Indianapolis
University of Iowa
University of Kansas
University of Kentucky
University of Louisville
University of Maine
University of Maryland-College Park
University of Massachusetts-Amherst
University of Massachusetts-Boston
University of Memphis
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi
University of Missouri
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of North Texas
University of Notre Dame
University of Oklahoma
University of Oregon
University of Pittsburgh
University of Puget Sound
University of Redlands
University of Rhode Island
University of Richmond
University of Rochester
University of San Diego
University of San Francisco
University of South Carolina
University of South Florida
University of Southern California
University of Toronto
University of Tulsa
University of Utah
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin-Madison
Valparaiso University
Vanderbilt University
Vassar College
Villanova University
Virginia Tech
Wake Forest University
Washington and Lee University
Washington State University
Washington University in St Louis
West Virginia University
Western Kentucky University
Westmont College
Wheaton College
Whitman College
William & Mary
Winthrop University
Wittenberg University
Wofford College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Wright State University-Main Campus
Xavier University
Yale University
York St John University