

overview

Founded in 1905, **The Savannah Country Day School** is an independent, coeducational college preparatory school serving 1,215 students from early childhood through grade 12. The campus is located on 65 wooded acres on the south side of Savannah near the Vernon River. Students are admitted to Country Day on the basis of academic record, test scores, recommendations, and an interview. Last year, Country Day awarded \$2.4M in financial aid to 157 students.



Savannah Country Day students are limited to nine AP courses. Students may enroll in a maximum of one AP course as a sophomore, four as a junior and four as a senior. There are no exceptions to this policy.



CLASS OF 2025

100% of the graduates matriculated to four-year colleges. The 83 members of the class of 2025 submitted 563 applications, 66% of which were successful at 137 institutions in 33 states, the District of Columbia, and the United Kingdom.

ACCREDITATION

Southern Association of Independent Schools

MEMBERSHIP

National Association of Independent Schools

Georgia Independent School Association

Cum Laude Society

National Association for College Admission Counseling

Southern Association for College Admission Counseling

Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools

Atlanta Area Association of Independent Schools

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CLASS OF 2026 (98 STUDENTS)

GRADE DISTRIBUTION FOR CLASS OF 2026

CUMULATIVE WEIGHTED GPA
FOLLOWING 11TH GRADE

First Quartile	101.65-96
Second/Third Quartile	95.83-90.15
Fourth Quartile	90.11-80.86

SAT (MID 50%)

EBRW	600-700
Math	580-680
EBRW + Math	1190-1390

MAY 2025 AP SCORES (ALL STUDENTS)

# of exams	527
Subject areas	17
% earning at least 3	86

program of study



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English	4 Units
Math	4 Units
History	3 Units
Science	3 Units
World Language	3 Units
(one language in sequence in US)	
Fine Arts	1 Unit
Freshman Foundations	1 Unit
Electives	2 Units
Total	21 Units

DISCIPLINE REPORTING POLICY

It is the policy of The Savannah Country Day School to share a student's disciplinary history with regards to suspensions emanating from either discipline or honor offenses incurred on our campus *if requested*. For colleges and universities that require acknowledgement of criminal infractions, we will provide that information as well *if we are aware of these incidents*.

academics

CLASS OF 2026: ACADEMIC NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Class of 2026 is by far the most academically-accomplished class I have experienced in my ten years at the Savannah Country Day School. There are four students with six semester GPAs north of 100 and four more with grades above 99. Additionally, twelve members of this class were invited to enter the 2026 National Merit Scholarship Program last spring, twice as many as we might expect in a typical class. Further, our faculty appreciate the intellectual power in the class as the recommendation letters attest, highlighting the genuine academic curiosity and scholarly diligence on display each day in their classes and laboratories.

FACULTY

Of the 54 Upper School faculty members, 81% hold advanced degrees in their fields. Nearly all teachers serve as academic advisors and many coach and/or sponsor on-campus clubs and activities. The average teaching experience is 18 years.

GPA

The Savannah Country Day transcript indicates both a raw cumulative average and a weighted cumulative average; the latter includes three points added to Honors classes, and five points added to all AP and Advanced (Adv.) classes for GPA calculation. **These bonus points are not added to semester course grades; they are only included for weighted cumulative average calculations.** Only those grades earned in courses taken at Country Day or through the Global Online Academy are included in each cumulative average. Country Day does not rank its students.

ELECTIVES AND ADVANCED CLASSES

In addition to our 17 AP courses, Savannah Country Day also offers a robust number of elective classes across disciplines driven by student interest as well as the eclectic scholarly passions of our faculty. The Institute of Atlantic Studies was created in 2021 as a place for students to pursue the study of our city and region within the wider Atlantic World. The popular Literary Savannah course takes a deep dive into the rich cultural history of our city, while STEM-minded students may now take our two-year Introduction to Engineering courses. The history curriculum offers an exploration of Eastern and Western Religions, as well as the Thought and Culture of the Ancient World course. Finally, advanced Spanish and French students, many of whom have completed the AP course as juniors, can elect to keep their language skills sharp through our Spanish and French Conversation/Cinema classes.

FINE ARTS

Savannah Country Day is proud of its robust Fine Arts program and facilities that includes a 400-seat theater, band and strings rooms, and fully-equipped 2D and 3D art studios. The Fine Arts curriculum includes: Art 101/102, Drawing and Painting, Ceramics, Digital Photography, Art Portfolio, Digital 3D Design, Art and Design, Filmmaking Chorus, Introduction to Theatre, Acting Ensemble, Music Appreciation, Music Tech, AP Music Theory, Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Combo, and Strings Ensemble.

ATHLETICS

With over 50 teams in 15 sports, the athletic offerings for students at Savannah Country Day are extensive. Current GHSA athletic offerings include baseball, basketball, cheerleading, cross country, flag football, football, golf, lacrosse, soccer, swimming, tennis, track & field, volleyball, and wrestling. Clay target competes in GIAA. Over 85% of students participate in at least one athletic offering. Fourteen members of the Class of 2025 will continue their athletic careers at the collegiate level, including Baseball (Emmanuel University), Cheer (Savannah State University), Clay Target (Clemson), Football (Bryant University, Case Western Reserve University, Central Georgia Technical College, Murray State University, Sewanee, UT-Chattanooga), Golf (Auburn), Swimming (Wesleyan University), Volleyball (Pitt Community College) and Wrestling (Marymount University).

Upper School Curriculum

The core curriculum at SCDS requires students to complete a rigorous and diverse course of study which prepares them for highly challenging, college-level work. Honors, Advanced, and Advanced Placement classes offer demanding curricular choices, while our elective options permit students to diversify their range of selections, and at the same time, explore their interests. **AP courses are capped at nine with individual caps by year, provided below. AP, Advanced courses and 600 level courses receive a five point weight.** Honors courses provide a three point weight. This weight is included in the cumulative weighted GPA provided on the transcript, but individual grades remain unweighted. Bolded courses are considered the most rigorous in the discipline.

English	9th (No APs allowed)	10th (APs capped at 1)	11th (APs capped at 4)	12th (APs capped at 4)
	Composition and Literature	Literary Genres	AP English Language American Literature	AP English Literature Creative Nonfiction American Freedom Narratives Paradoxes in Plays Fiction to Film Literary Savannah
Science	Honors Physics Physics	Honors Chemistry Chemistry Physics Anatomy/Physiology Intro to Engineering I & II	AP Biology AP Chemistry Advanced Calc-Based Physics I & II Honors Biology Biology Chemistry Physics Anatomy/Physiology Intro to Engineering I & II Engineering I & II	AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science AP Psychology Advanced Calc-Based Physics I & II Honors Biology Biology Intro to Engineering I & II Engineering I & II Anatomy/Physiology
Math	Honors Algebra II Algebra II Honors Geometry Geometry Algebra I College Prep Geometry	AP Calculus AB Honors Precalculus Precalculus Honors Algebra II Algebra II Geometry College Prep Algebra II College Prep Geometry	AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC Honors Precalculus Precalculus Algebra II College Prep Algebra II College Prep Precalculus	Multivariable Calculus AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Statistics Intro to Calculus College Prep Precalculus Discrete Math
History	Early Modern World History	AP World History Modern World History Eastern World Religions Western World Religions Atlantic Institute Seminar Thought & Culture of the Ancient World I & II	AP US History US History Eastern World Religions Western World Religions Global Issues Atlantic Institute Seminar Thought & Culture of the Ancient World I & II	AP European History AP Microeconomics AP US Government & Politics Global Issues Eastern World Religions Western World Religions Thought & Culture of the Ancient World I & II Speech and Debate: Modern Politics
World Languages	Honors French III French II Latin II Honors Spanish II Spanish II French I Latin I Spanish I ESOL	Honors French IV Honors French III French II Honors Spanish III Latin III Latin II Spanish III Honors Spanish II Spanish II	AP Spanish Language AP French Language Honors Spanish IV Honors French III Honors French IV Honors Latin IV Advanced Latin V Latin III Spanish III Spanish IV Spanish Conversation/ Cinema* French Conversation/ Cinema*	AP French Language AP Spanish Language Advanced Latin V Advanced Latin VI Honors French IV Honors Spanish IV Honors Latin IV Spanish Conversation/ Cinema* French Conversation/ Cinema*

*Indicates courses that may be taken at Regular, Honors, or, in World Languages, Advanced Levels.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES | CLASSES OF 2022-2025 (matriculations in bold)

Adelphi University
Agnes Scott College
American University
 Appalachian State University
 Arizona State University (Tempe)
Auburn University
Augusta University
Austin Peay State University
 Baldwin Wallace University
 Ball State University
 Bard College
Belmont University
Berklee College of Music
Berry College
 Bethune-Cookman University
 Binghamton University
Boston University
 Brandeis University
 Brena University
Brown University
Bryant University
Bucknell University
California Polytechnic State University (San Luis Obispo)
 California State University (Long Beach)
 California State University (Los Angeles)
 Carleton College
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Central Georgia Technical College
Centre College
 Citadel Military College of South Carolina
Clemson University
 Coastal Carolina University
 Colgate College
College of Charleston
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University (Fort Collins)
 Columbia College (Chicago)
 Concordia University (Chicago)
 Connecticut College
Dartmouth College
Davidson College
 DePaul University
 DePauw University
 Dickinson College
 Drexel University
Duke University
 Durham University
 Eckerd College
 Elmira College
Elon College
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Daytona, FL)
 Emerson College
Emmanuel University
Emory University
 Erskine College
Fashion Institute of Technology
 Florida International University
Florida Memorial University
 Florida Southern College
Florida State College at Jacksonville
Florida State University
Fordham University
 Fort Valley State University
 Franklin and Marshall College
Furman University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Georgia College

Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia Southern University
 Georgia Southwestern University
Georgia State University
 Gettysburg College
 Gordon State College
 Greensboro College
 Guilford College
 Hampden-Sydney College
 Hampton University
High Point University
 Hiram College
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
 Hollins University
 Illinois Wesleyan University
Indiana University (Bloomington)
Ithaca College
Jackson State University
 Jacksonville University
 James Madison University
 John Carroll University
 Kansas State University
Kennesaw State University
 Kent State University
 Kenyon College
 Keystone College
 LaGrange College
Lafayette College
 Lake Forest College
 Lawrence University
 LeesMcRae College
Louisiana State University
 Loyola University Chicago
 Loyola University Maryland
 Loyola University New Orleans
 Lynn University
 Marist University
 Marshall University
Marymount University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 Massachusetts Maritime Academy
 McGill University
Mercer University
 Methodist University
 Miami University (Oxford)
 Michigan State University
 Middle Georgia State University
 Middle Tennessee State University
Middlebury College
 Millikin University
 Mississippi State University
Montana State University
Morehouse College
 Mount Holyoke College
 Muhlenberg College
Murray State University
New York University
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
 Northwestern University
 Oberlin College
 Occidental College
Oglethorpe University
 Ohio Northern University
 Ohio University (Main Campus)
Oxford College of Emory University
 Pace University (New York City)
Parsons School of Design at the New School
 Penn State University (University Park)
 Pepperdine University
Pfeiffer University
Pitt Community College
 Point Loma Nazarene University

Point Park University
 Pratt Institute
 Presbyterian College
Purdue University (Main Campus)
Quinnipiac University
 Randolph-Macon College
 Rhode Island College
 Rhodes College
Rice University
 Rider University
Rollins College
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Rutgers University (New Brunswick)
SUNY University at Buffalo
 SUNY at Purchase College
Saint Francis University
Samford University
 Santa Clara University
 Saint Lawrence College
Savannah College of Art and Design
Savannah State University
Sewanee: The University of the South
Shenandoah University
 Shorter University
 Skidmore College
Smith College
 South Carolina State University
 Southeast Missouri State University
Southern Methodist University
 Spelman College
 St. John's University
 Stetson University
 Stevens Institute of Technology
 Stony Brook University
 Syracuse University
 Temple University
 Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
 The American University of Paris
 The Boston Conservatory at Berklee
 The New School
 The Ohio State University
The Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University
The University of Alabama
The University of Edinburgh
 The University of Montana
 The University of Tampa
The University of Tennessee (Chattanooga)
The University of Tennessee (Knoxville)
The University of Texas at Austin
Trinity University
 Tufts University
Tulane University of Louisiana
Union College
 United States Merchant Marine Academy
United States Military Academy at West Point
 University at Albany
 University of Alabama at Birmingham
University of Arizona
 University of Arkansas
 University of California (Davis)
 University of California (Irvine)
University of California (Los Angeles)
 University of California (Riverside)
 University of California (Santa Barbara)
 University of Central Florida
 University of Cincinnati (Main Campus)
University of Colorado Boulder
 University of Colorado Denver

University of Connecticut
 University of Connecticut (Stamford)
 University of Denver
 University of Evansville
 University of Exeter
University of Florida
University of Georgia
 University of Glasgow
 University of Houston
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
 University of Iowa
 University of Kentucky
 University of Louisville
 University of Maryland (College Park)
 University of Massachusetts (Amherst)
 University of Massachusetts (Boston)
University of Miami
University of Michigan
 University of Minnesota (Twin Cities)
University of Mississippi
 University of Missouri (Columbia)
 University of New England
University of New Hampshire (Main Campus)
 University of North Carolina
 Wilmington
 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
 University of North Carolina at Charlotte
 University of North Florida
University of North Georgia
 University of Notre Dame
 University of Oklahoma
University of Oregon
 University of Pittsburgh (Braddock)
University of Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh)
 University of Richmond
University of Rochester
 University of San Diego
 University of San Francisco
University of South Carolina
 University of South Carolina (Beaufort)
 University of South Florida (Main Campus)
 University of Southern California
University of St. Andrews
University of Vermont
University of Virginia (Main Campus)
 University of Washington (Seattle Campus)
 University of West Georgia
University of Wisconsin (Madison)
 Valdosta State University
Vanderbilt University
Vassar College
 Villanova University
 Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Wake Forest University
 Warren Wilson College
Washington and Lee University
 Webster University
 Wellesley College
 Wesleyan College
Weslyan University
 West Virginia University
 Wilkes University
William and Mary
 Wingate University
 Winston-Salem State University
 Winthrop University
 Wofford College
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute
 York College of Pennsylvania