



St Benedict

AT AUBURNDALE

24-25 PROFILE

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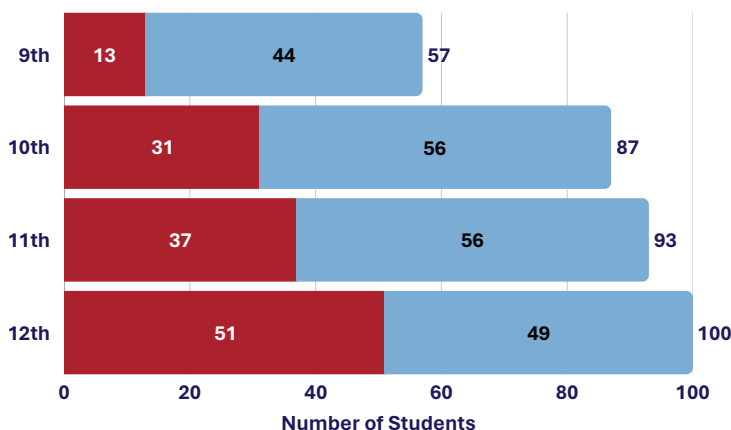
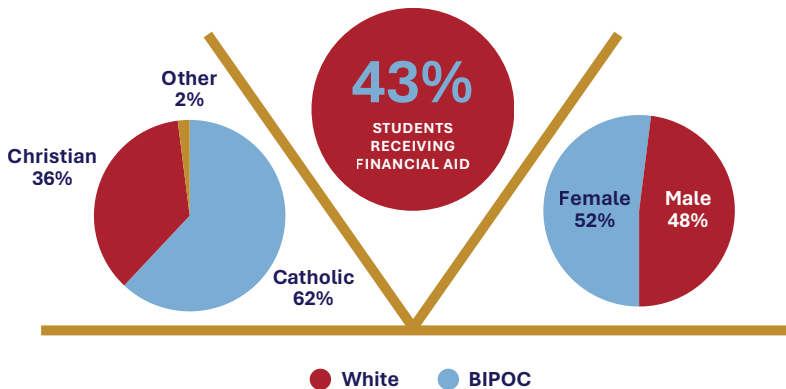
St. Benedict at Auburndale is a diocesan, coeducational, college preparatory school committed to academic excellence through a comprehensive and challenging multi-level curriculum presented in an atmosphere permeated with the aims, values, and teachings of the Roman Catholic faith.

ACCREDITATION

As of July 2025, St. Benedict at Auburndale is accredited through Lumen of the Institute for the Transformation of Catholic Education (ITCE) at the Catholic University of America. Accreditation was previously through Cognia.

St. Benedict is a member of the National Catholic Education Association, the National Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development, the Learning Disabilities Association of America, the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association as well as an associate member of the Memphis Association of Independent Schools.

2025-2026 DEMOGRAPHICS



FOUNDATION

St. Benedict at Auburndale was founded in 1966 as the Auburndale School which specialized in the instruction of children with learning disabilities. Over the next decade, the Auburndale School expanded its academic offerings to include all learners. In 1988, Dr. Mary Alice and Mr. Stanley Smith sold the school to the Catholic Diocese of Memphis thus becoming St. Benedict at Auburndale.

Guided by Benedictine core values – hospitality, seeking God, love of learning, Ora Et Labora, service, and community – St. Benedict continues to strive to educate all learners addressing the needs of the whole person by capitalizing strengths, remediating weaknesses, and providing programming that will facilitate each student’s journey to personal excellence.

NOTABLE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

PLUS PROGRAM

The PLUS Program at St. Benedict at Auburndale is our signature learning-support program designed for students who learn differently and are preparing for post-secondary education and employment. Students in the PLUS Program have diagnosed learning differences and are working on or near grade level with appropriate support and accommodations.

The PLUS Program offers an academically rigorous experience that honors each student's strengths while equipping them with the tools needed for long-term success. With a focus on self-awareness, advocacy, and executive functioning, the program empowers students to grow in independence and confidence during their high school journey and beyond.

Students participating in the PLUS Program have the flexibility to choose which PLUS courses they take based on their individual learning needs. The maximum class size for any given PLUS course is 16.

St. Benedict at Auburndale is a certified AP Capstone school through College Board, and it is the only private high school in Shelby County to offer this prestigious program--a distinction earned by only about 12% of high schools nationwide.

On average, there are about 11 students in each AP Capstone cohort. AP Capstone program participants at St. Benedict commit to taking AP Seminar (junior year), AP Research (senior year), and four additional AP courses throughout high school. Freshmen rarely take an AP course, and Sophomores usually only take one AP course. Juniors usually can take up to four AP courses, and Seniors are able to take up to seven AP courses.

100%

PASS RATE ON BOTH AP SEMINAR AND AP RESEARCH

12

AP CAPSTONE DIPLOMA 2025 RECIPIENTS

2

AP SEMINAR AND RESEARCH CERTIFICATE 2025 RECIPIENTS

AP CAPSTONE

211

AP Exams completed in May 2025

83%

Students who earned 3 or higher on AP Exam

11

AP Scholars

12

AP Scholars with Honors

17

AP Scholars with Distinction

FINE ARTS PROGRAM

St. Benedict's Fine Arts program offers various elective classes along with opportunities to participate in similar extra-curricular activities from clubs to performance groups to stage productions. This past year the Theatre Department added a new Honors Advanced Technical Theatre course as more students want to hone their craft and take ownership of the school's theatre productions.

Students who complete four years of Fine Arts courses with at least three of the courses being in the same concentration (Art, Band, Choir, or Theatre) will graduate with a Fine Arts Distinction.

18

NOMINATIONS



3

AWARDS

ORPHEUM HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL THEATRE AWARDS IN 2025

6

MEMBERS

ALL-WEST CHOIR, BAND, AND ORCHESTRA IN 2025



8:1

STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO

13

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE (MAX SIZE = 24)

14%

STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE PLUS PROGRAM

26%

STUDENTS ENROLLED IN AP COURSEWORK



24

CLASS OF 2025 AVERAGE ACT COMPOSITE

32

CLASS OF 2025 - TOP 10% AVERAGE ACT COMPOSITE

30

CLASS OF 2025 - TOP 25% AVERAGE ACT COMPOSITE

18%

CLASS OF 2025 SCORING 30+ ON ACT

3-2

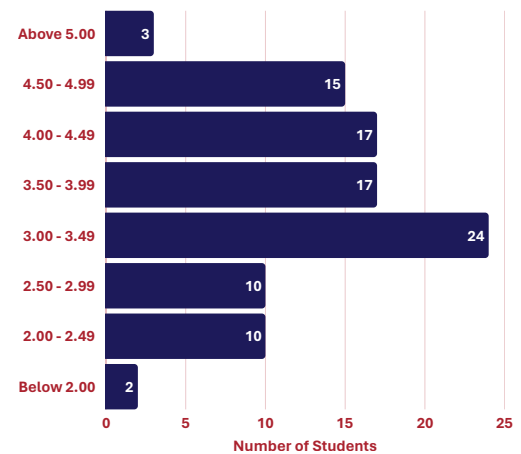
NATIONAL MERIT FINALIST - COMMENDED OVER LAST FIVE YEARS

Grading Scale & Ranking

- GPA is calculated on a 4.0 scale based upon earned yearly averages.
- High school courses taken during middle school are not included on our transcript nor are they factored into credits earned or GPA calculations.
- For students who transferred to St. Benedict, their previous high school's transcript will be provided along with their St. Benedict transcript.
- Pass/Fail courses earn credit but are not included in GPA calculations.
- Class rank is determined using a student's cumulative weighted GPA.

Grade	Average	Traditional	Honors/DE	AP
A	91 - 100	4	5	6
B	81 - 90	3	4	5
C	76 - 80	2	3	4
D	70 - 75	1	2	3
F	69 or below	0	0	0

Weighted GPA Distribution
Class of 2025



Graduation Requirements & Course Offerings (25-26)

Students must earn a minimum of 26 credits to graduate. The average St. Benedict student will graduate with 28 credits. Students are also required to take either the ACT or SAT at least once before graduation.

Theology - 4 credits*
English - 4 credits
Mathematics - 4 credits
Science - 3 credits

World History - 1 credit
U.S. History - 1 credit
Economics - 0.5 credit
Government - 0.5 credit

Foreign Language - 2 credits**
Fine Arts - 1 credit
Physical Education - 1 credit
Personal Finance - 0.5 credit***

Electives - 3.5 credits
*waived as needed for a transfer student
**must be consecutive years of the same language
***can be waived with approval

Dual Enrollment courses are taught by St. Benedict faculty through our partnership with the University of Memphis.

ENGLISH

English I, II, III, IV +
Honors English I, II, III, IV
Honors English IV Dual Enrollment
AP Language & Composition
AP Literature & Composition
Southern Studies*
True Crime Literature*
Academic Support

MATH

Algebra I +
Honors Algebra I
Geometry +
Honors Geometry
Algebra II +
Honors Algebra II
Fundamentals of College Math +
Pre-Calculus
Honors Pre-Calculus
Honors College Algebra/Trigonometry
Dual Enrollment
Trigonometry/Statistics
Honors Calculus
AP Calculus (AB/BC)
ACT Prep*
Academic Support

THEOLOGY

Theology I, II, III, IV

SCIENCE

Physical Science +
Honors Physical Science
Biology +
Honors Biology
Chemistry +
Honors Chemistry
AP Chemistry
Anatomy & Physiology
Honors Anatomy & Physiology
Physics
Honors Physics
AP Physics C: Mechanics
AP Environmental Science
Physical Geology*
Forensic Science*

BUSINESS

Accounting
Investing & Financial Planning*
Marketing*
Personal Finance*
Sports & Entertainment Marketing*
Sports & Event Management*
Yearbook

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Wellness
Injury Care*
Weight Training*

SOCIAL STUDIES

World History +
Honors World History
AP World History
US History +
Honors US History
AP US History
Economics* +
Honors Economics*
AP Microeconomics*
Government* +
Honors Government*
AP U.S. Government & Politics*
Current Issues*
Sociology*
Psychology*
AP Psychology
AP Seminar
AP Research

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

French I, II
Honors French II, III, IV
Honors French III, IV
Dual Enrollment
Spanish I +, II +, III
Honors Spanish II, III, IV
AP Spanish Language
Latin II
Honors Latin II, III

FINE ARTS

Concert Choir
Honors Concert Choir
Women's Chorale
Honors Women's Chorale
Men's Chorale
Concert Band
Honors Concert Band
Orchestra
Honors Orchestra
Rock & Soul Band
Technical Theatre
Advanced Technical Theatre
Honors Adv. Technical Theatre
Acting I
Advanced Acting
Honors Advanced Acting
Art I
Drawing/Painting
Honors Art
Visual Art I
Ceramics
AP 2D Art & Design

STEM

Introduction to Engineering Design
Honors Principles of Engineering
AP Computer Science Principles
Drones*

* indicates a 0.5 credit course

+ indicates the course is also offered in the PLUS format

POST-SECONDARY ACCEPTANCES FOR THE CLASS OF 2025

Institutions that are **bolded** indicate at least one matriculated student.

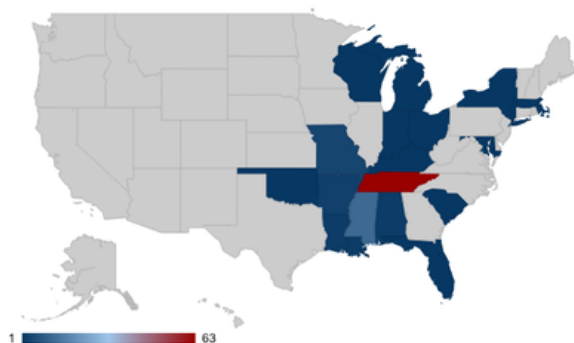
The Class of 2025 earned over \$12.7 million in merit-based scholarships.

Alabama A&M University
Alabama State University
Arizona State University
Arkansas State University
Auburn University
Austin Peay State University
Aveda Institute of Arts and Sciences
Baptist Health Sciences University
Baylor University
Belmont University
Benedict College
Bethel University
Bethune-Cookman University
Boston University
Butler University
Carroll University
Carson-Newman University
Centre College
Chattanooga State Community College
Christian Brothers University
Clark Atlanta University
Clemson University
Colorado State University
Cumberland University
Delaware State University
Delta State University
DePaul University
Dillard University
Drew University
East Tennessee State University
Edward Waters University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Fayetteville State University
Fordham University
Freed-Hardeman University

George Mason University
Gould's Academy
Grambling State University
Hampden-Sydney College
Harding University
Harris-Stowe State University
Henderson State University
Hilbert College
Howard University
Idaho State University
Indiana University (Bloomington)
Jackson State Community College
Jackson State University
James Madison University
Johns Hopkins University
Lane College
LeMoyne-Owen College
Lincoln University (Missouri)
Louisiana State University
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University New Orleans
Mercer University
Michigan State University
Middle Tennessee State University
Miles College
Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College
Mississippi State University
Morgan State University
North Carolina Central University
North Carolina State University
Oklahoma State University
Rhodes College
Rowan University
Saint Louis University
Saint Mary's College

Samford University
Sewanee: The University of the South
Shaw University
Southeast Missouri State University
Southern Illinois University (Edwardsville)
Southern University and A&M College
Southwest Tennessee Community College
Stillman College
Syracuse University
Tennessee College of Applied Technology
Tennessee State University
Tennessee Technological University
Texas A&M University
The Ohio State University
Tufts University
Tulane University
Tuskegee University
Union University
University of Alabama
University of Alabama at Birmingham
University of Alabama in Huntsville
University of Arizona
University of Arkansas
University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff
University of California, Davis
University of Central Arkansas
University of Colorado (Colorado Springs)
University of Colorado (Boulder)
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Guelph (Canada)
University of Houston
University of Louisiana at Lafayette
University of Maryland Eastern Shore
University of Memphis
University of Mississippi
University of Missouri
University of Missouri (St. Louis)
University of New Orleans
University of North Alabama
University of North Dakota
University of South Carolina
University of Southern Mississippi
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
University of Tennessee at Knoxville
University of Tennessee at Martin
University of Texas at San Antonio
University of the Ozarks
University of Washington
Villanova University
Virginia State University
Voorhees University

Class of 2025 Matriculation Map



*Not Depicted - Ontario, Canada

**First
Generation**
25%

4-Year
84%

2-Year
16%