GIRLS PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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GPS MISSION STATEMENT

Girls Preparatory School inspires each girl to lead a life of integrity and purpose by engaging her mind, cultivating her strengths, and nurturing her self-confidence and respect for others.

THE SCHOOL

At a time when girls were not afforded the same college preparatory education as boys, three visionary female school teachers started Girls Preparatory School. More than 118 years later, the stories and the trajectory of the lives of thousands of girls have been written and modeled because of the tenacity of the three Founders, who were not only educators but also resourceful social entrepreneurs. With a holistic approach to educating girls, GPS provides robust academic opportunities that complement vibrant arts and competitive athletic programs. While GPS has evolved and grown since 1906, one constant remains: a passion and commitment for preparing girls—in mind, body, and spirit—for college and for life.

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SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

Laureate Scholars Program

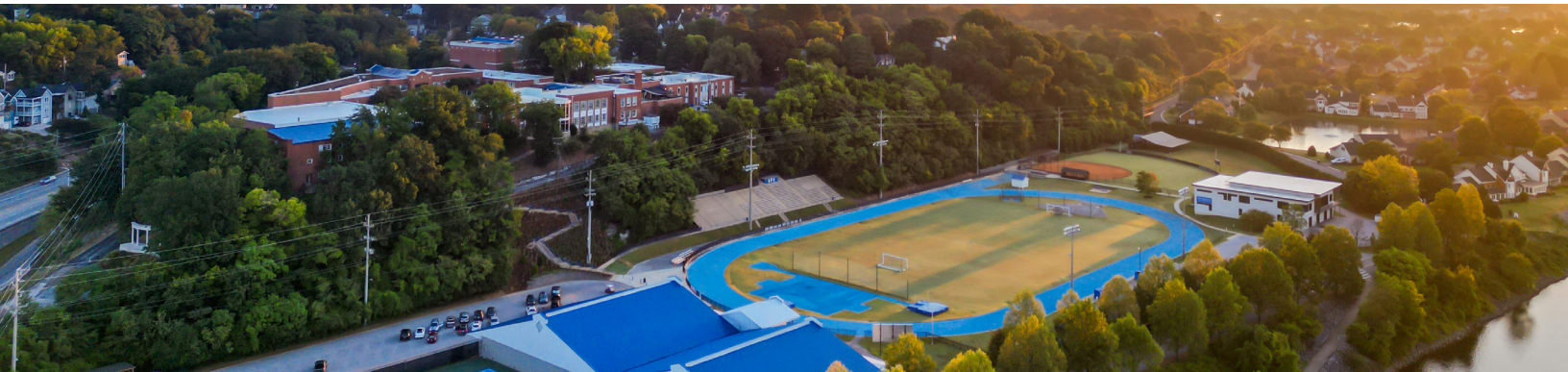
GPS's Laureate Scholars is a selective, by-application program that recognizes students who pursue sustained, in-depth study in a chosen area of interest. Students complete extended coursework in their area of concentration, engage in experiential learning and community involvement, carry out a significant independent project, develop a digital portfolio documenting their work, and culminate the program with a formal defense. Students who successfully complete all program requirements graduate with distinction as Laureate Scholars.

Tucker Fellows Program

Tucker Fellows is a selective program that prepares students to investigate significant challenges and opportunities in the Chattanooga region through place-based, interdisciplinary research. In the current one-credit Honors Research and Action – Tucker Fellows course, students study the region and develop research skills before designing and carrying out an original research project that culminates in a substantial research paper and a formal proposal and presentation of a solution. As the program has evolved in recent years, members of the Class of 2027 may have completed different versions of the Tucker Fellows curriculum during the transition.

Career Mentorship Program

The Career Mentorship Program (CMP) is a selective program built to connect well-suited rising juniors and seniors with pre-professional mentorship opportunities in our local community. Students who are selected for the program participate in two- to four-week educational placements in a variety of professional environments, including corporate and civil sectors such as law, engineering, non-profits, health sciences, and finance/insurance.



ENROLLMENT

500	76	14%	86%	81	121
students	Class of 2026	Georgia residents	Tennessee residents	zip codes	sending schools

CLASS OF 2024-26 AP/HONORS CLASS ENROLLMENT DATA

Below is data from the past three graduating classes (225 total students) that captures rigor and curricular choice within the context of GPS

AP COURSES	PERCENTAGE
1+	94%
4+	60%
7+	23%
10+	3%

TOTAL AP CLASSES OFFERED: 27

TOTAL HONORS CLASSES OFFERED: 17

A total of **164** students sat for **341** AP exams.

84% of AP exams scored at 3 or above.

CLASS OF 2022-26 STANDARDIZED TESTING

(mid 50%)

SAT: 1070-1310
ACT: 22-30

CLASS OF 2027 CUMULATIVE WEIGHTED GPA DISTRIBUTION

(through 11th grade)

FULL RANGE OF CLASS: 2.85 - 4.45

MEAN: 3.83

INSTITUTIONAL TYPE ENROLLMENT (2022-2026)

PUBLIC: 58%
PRIVATE: 42%

99% of GPS graduates enroll in a 4-year institution

The Class of 2026 applied to **187** colleges & universities

67 graduates enrolled in **38** unique colleges & universities

In-State Enrollment: 32%
Out-of-State Enrollment: 68%

HONORS/AP STATEMENT

Prior to the 2022-23 academic year, GPS students needed departmental approval to enroll in Honors/AP level courses. In developing student schedules, attention was paid to ensuring our girls maintained a healthy balance in their academic, cocurricular, and social lives. As of the 2022-23 academic year, students no longer need departmental approval to enroll in Honors/AP level courses. We believe that students should be able to freely pursue rigorous academic courses and intellectual growth as they see fit. We continue to advise students to make healthy choices but no longer create obstacles to satiating curiosities. Furthermore, we no longer require students to sit for AP exams, which began with the May 2023 exam administration period.

GRADING SCALE

In order to differentiate between A+ work on the two grading scales, in AP/Honors courses in which a student receives a 97-100 the transcript will reflect "A +" (with a space). Our grading scales, which were updated in 2022, have been fully in effect for the Class of 2027 for the duration of their time in the upper school.

NUMERIC, LETTER, AND GPA CONVERSION CHARTS

STANDARD GRADING SCALE

A+	= 4.3 (97-100)	C+	= 2.3 (77-79)
A	= 4.0 (94-96)	C	= 2.0 (73-76)
A-	= 3.7 (90-93)	C-	= 1.7 (70-72)
B+	= 3.3 (87-89)	D	= 1.0 (65-69)
B	= 3.0 (83-86)	F	= 0.0 (0-64)
B-	= 2.7 (80-82)		

AP AND HONORS GRADING SCALE

A +	= 4.6 (97-100)	B-	= 2.7 (77-79)
A+	= 4.3 (94-96)	C+	= 2.3 (75-76)
A	= 4.0 (90-93)	C	= 2.0 (73-74)
A-	= 3.7 (87-89)	C-	= 1.7 (70-72)
B+	= 3.3 (83-86)	D	= 1.0 (65-69)
B	= 3.0 (80-82)	F	= 0.0 (0-64)

A grade of C- or higher is required in any course that meets a prerequisite or graduation requirement.

CURRICULUM

	English	Social Studies	Science	World Language	Fine Arts
9th Grade	English 9 Honors English 9	Modern World History AP World History	Biology Honors Biology	French I French II Honors French II French III Honors French III French IV Honors Special Topics in French: Francophone Identities Honors Special Topics in French: Society and Culture AP French Language and Culture Spanish I Spanish II Honors Spanish II Spanish III Honors Spanish III Spanish IV Honors Special Topics in Spanish: Society and Culture Honors Special Topics in Spanish: Hispanophone Identities AP Spanish Language and Culture	Art I/Art II* Art III Improvisation I/Improvisation II* Storytelling and the Stage* Foundations of Art* Ceramics I/Ceramics II* Drawing I/Drawing II Printmaking* Sculpture* Painting* College Art Portfolio Acting I: Theater History and Performance* Acting II: Theater History and Performance* Technical Theater Workshop* Principles of Production Design* Advanced Technical Theater Production Introduction to Modern Dance* Choreography* Advanced Choreography* Dance Technique Lab Dance Choreography Lab Dance Performance Lab GPS Singers History of Contemporary American Music* Introduction to Music Theory* Symphonic Ensemble – Orchestra & Band AP Music Theory AP 2D Art and Design AP 3D Art and Design AP Drawing Portfolio
10th Grade	English 10 Honors English 10	Human Geography AP Human Geography	Chemistry Honors Chemistry		
11th Grade	English 11 AP English Language & Composition	U.S. History AP U.S. History	Forensic Science* Marine Science* Neuroscience* Environmental Sustainability Anatomy & Physiology Physics Honors Physics*** AP Physics 1*** AP Environmental Science AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Physics C		
12th Grade	English 12 AP English Language & Composition	Global Conflicts* Economics* U.S. Since 1945* AP European History AP U.S. Government			

Interdisciplinary, Inquiry, & Enrichment

Adventure in the North American Imagination: From the North Pole to Walt Disney World*
The American Civil Rights Movement in Theater*
School Internship**
IT Internship**
GOLE Internship**
Intro to Wilderness Medicine*
Orienteering and Risk Management in Outdoor Leadership*
AP Seminar
AP Research
Honors Research and Action - Tucker Fellows

Physical Education

Health and Wellness*
Introduction to Strength and Conditioning*
Strength and Conditioning | Fall*
Strength and Conditioning | Spring*

Religion

Biblical Ethics*
Comparative Religion: Faith in Action*
History of Christianity*
World Religions*
Comparative Religion in the Chattanooga Landscape*

Computer Science & Engineering

Engineering I/Engineering II*
Engineering
Introduction to Programming*
Web Programming I*
Web Programming II*
AP Computer Science Principles
AP Computer Science A

Math

Algebra 1
Honors Algebra 1
Geometry
Accelerated Geometry
Honor Geometry
Algebra II
Accelerated Algebra II & Trigonomtry
Honors Algebra II & Trigonomtry
Accelerated Precalculus***
Honors Precalculus***
AP Precalculus (Pre-AB) ***
AP Precalculus (Pre-BC) ***
Calculus
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
Honors Multivariable Calculus*
Honors Linear Algebra*
Advanced Financial Algebra and Statistics
AP Statistics

**denotes one semester course*
***can be either a semester or year-long course*
****Honors Physics, Accelerated Precalculus, and Honors Precalculus were last offered in the 2025-2026 school year. Beginning this school year, they have been replaced by AP Physics 1, AP Precalculus (Pre-AB) and AP Precalculus (Pre-BC).*

ONLINE LEARNING PARTNER

One Schoolhouse

GPS partners with One Schoolhouse to provide online and asynchronous courses that are personalized, competency-based, learner-driven, and aligned with GPS's mission and expectations. These courses are pursued by students looking for deeper learning in an area of curiosity or passion, accelerated sequencing, or remediation. Such courses will be denoted on the transcript by "One Schoolhouse" within the course title.

GPS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (CLASS OF 2027)

ENGLISH	4 CREDITS	Required each semester
MATHEMATICS	4 CREDITS	Must complete through Algebra II with one additional year
WORLD LANGUAGES	3 CREDITS	Through Level III of same language
SCIENCE	3 CREDITS	Biology, chemistry, one additional year
HISTORY	3 CREDITS	Modern World History, U.S. History, one additional year
RELIGION*	0.5 CREDIT	
FINE ARTS	1 CREDIT	A computer science course may be substituted for one of these areas
ELECTIVES	2 CREDITS	Any course beyond graduation requirements
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	1 CREDIT	Taken during freshman and sophomore years (0.5 credit per year)

TOTAL REQUIRED: 21.5 CREDITS

COLLEGE ENROLLMENT & ACCEPTANCES (2022-2026)

Alabama:
Auburn University
Birmingham-Southern College
Huntingdon College
Jacksonville State University
Samford University
Tuskegee University
University of Alabama
University of Alabama - Birmingham
University of Alabama - Huntsville
University of South Alabama

Alaska:
University of Alaska - Fairbanks

Arizona:
Arizona State University
Grand Canyon University
Prescott College
University of Arizona

Arkansas:
Harding University
University of Arkansas

California:
Cal Poly - Pomona
Cal Poly - San Luis Obispo
Loyola Marymount University
Pepperdine University
St. Mary's College of California
San Diego State University
Santa Clara University
University of California - Irvine
University of California - Riverside
University of California - Santa Barbara
University of California - Santa Cruz
University of San Diego
University of San Francisco
University of Southern California

Colorado:
Colorado College
Colorado State University
Fort Lewis College
United States Air Force Academy
University of Colorado - Boulder
University of Colorado - Denver
University of Denver

Connecticut:
Connecticut College
Fairfield University
Quinnipiac University
Trinity College
United States Coast Guard Academy
University of Hartford
Wesleyan University

Delaware:
University of Delaware

District of Columbia:
American University
Georgetown University
George Washington University
Howard University
The Catholic University of America

Florida:
College of the Florida Keys
Eckerd College
Flagler College
Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University
Florida Institute of Technology
Florida International University
Florida Southern College
Florida State University
Jacksonville University
Nova Southeastern University
Palm Beach Atlantic University
Rollins College
Saint Leo University
Stetson University
University of Florida
University of Miami
University of North Florida
University of South Florida
University of Tampa

Georgia:
Agnes Scott College
Augusta University
Berry College
Brenau University
Clark Atlanta University
College of Coastal Georgia
Covenant College
Dalton State College
Emmanuel University
Emory University
Georgia College
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia Southern University
Georgia State University
Kennesaw State University
Life University
Mercer University
Oglethorpe University
Oxford College of Emory University
Piedmont University
Savannah College of Art and Design
University of Georgia
University of North Georgia
Valdosta State University
Young Harris College

Hawaii:
Hawaii Pacific University

Illinois:
DePaul University
Illinois Wesleyan University
Knox College
Lake Forest College
Loyola University Chicago
Northwestern University
Roosevelt University
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Southern Illinois University (Carbondale)
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Wheaton College

Indiana:
Ball State University
Butler University
Earlham College
Indiana University - Bloomington
Purdue University

Iowa:
Grinnell College

Kansas:
Kansas State University
University of Kansas

Kentucky:
Bellarmine University
Centre College
Spalding University
Transylvania University
University of Kentucky
University Louisville
Western Kentucky University

Louisiana:
Louisiana State University
Louisiana Tech University
Loyola University New Orleans
Southern University and A&M College
Tulane University

Maine:
Colby College

Maryland:
Goucher College
Johns Hopkins University
Loyola University Maryland
St. John's College (Annapolis)
University of Maryland - College Park

Massachusetts:
Berklee College of Music
Boston College
Boston University
Brandeis University
College of the Holy Cross
Emerson College
Massachusetts College of Art & Design
Merrimack College
Mount Holyoke College
Northeastern University
Stonehill College
Suffolk University
University of Massachusetts - Amherst
Wellesley College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Michigan:
Ferris State University
Michigan State University
University of Michigan

Minnesota:
Macalester College
St. Olaf College
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Mississippi:
Mississippi State University
University of Mississippi
University of Southern Mississippi

Missouri:
Missouri State University
St. Louis University
Washington University in St. Louis
Webster University

Montana:
Montana State University

Nebraska:
Nebraska Wesleyan University

Nevada:
University of Nevada - Las Vegas

New Hampshire:
Dartmouth College
University of New Hampshire

New Jersey:
Montclair State University
Princeton University
Ramapo College of New Jersey
Rider University
Rutgers University
Seton Hall University

New York:
Bard College
Binghamton University
Fordham University
Hofstra University
Iona University
Ithaca College
Manhattanville University
Marymount Manhattan College
Molloy University
New York University
Pace University
Parsons School of Design at The New School
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rochester Institute of Technology
SUNY at Purchase College
School of Visual Arts
St. John's University
St. Lawrence University
Stony Brook University
Syracuse University
Union College
United States Merchant Marine Academy
University of Rochester
Vassar College

North Carolina:
Appalachian State University
Barton College
Belmont Abbey College
Campbell University
Davidson College
Duke University
East Carolina University
Elon University
High Point University
Meredith College
North Carolina A&T State University
North Carolina State University
Queens University Charlotte
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 Wilmington
University of North Carolina School of the Arts
Wake Forest University
Warren Wilson College
Western Carolina University

Ohio:
Baldwin Wallace University
Case Western Reserve University
College of Wooster
Denison University
Kenyon College
Miami University
Oberlin College
Ohio State University
Ohio University
Ohio Wesleyan University
University of Cincinnati
University of Dayton
Wittenberg University
Xavier University

Oklahoma:
Oklahoma City University
Oral Roberts University
University of Central Oklahoma
University of Oklahoma

Oregon:
Lewis & Clark College
Oregon State University
Reed College
University of Oregon
Willamette University

Pennsylvania:
Allegheny College
Carnegie Mellon University
Dickinson College
Drexel University
Duquesne University
Franklin & Marshall College
Gettysburg College
Lafayette College
Lehigh University
Muhlenberg College
Pennsylvania State University
Point Park University
Susquehanna University
Temple University
University of Pittsburgh
Villanova University
Washington & Jefferson College

Rhode Island:
Providence College
University of Rhode Island

South Carolina:
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
College of Charleston
Converse University
Furman University
University of South Carolina - Beaufort
University of South Carolina - Columbia
Wofford College

Tennessee:
Austin Peay State University
Belmont University
Carson-Newman University
Chattanooga State Community College
Cumberland University
East Tennessee State University
Fisk University
Johnson University
Lee University
Lipscomb University
Maryville College
Middle Tennessee State University
Milligan University
Pellissippi State Community College
Rhodes College
Roane State Community College
Sewanee: University of the South
Tennessee College of Applied Technology
Tennessee State University
Tennessee Technological University
Tennessee Wesleyan University
University of Memphis
University of Tennessee - Chattanooga
University of Tennessee - Knoxville
University of Tennessee - Martin
University of Tennessee - Southern
Trevecca Nazarene University
Tusculum University
Union University
Vanderbilt University

Texas:
Baylor University
Southern Methodist University
Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
Texas State University
University of North Texas
Trinity University

Utah:
University of Utah

Vermont:
Norwich University
University of Vermont

Virginia:
Emory & Henry College
College of William & Mary
George Mason University
Hampton University
James Madison University
Liberty University
Randolph-Macon College
Roanoke College
University of Richmond
Shenandoah University
University of Virginia
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Military Institute
Virginia Polytechnic University
Washington & Lee University

Washington:
Seattle University
University of Puget Sound
University of Washington - Seattle
Western Washington University
Whitman College

West Virginia:
West Virginia University

Wisconsin:
Beloit College
Marquette University
University of Wisconsin - Madison
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John Cabot University (Italy)
Maastricht University (Netherlands)
McGill University (Canada)
Newcastle University (England)
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