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THE MEADOWS SCHOOL

School Profile 2026-2027

THE SCHOOL

Founded in 1984, The Meadows School is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory day school serving grades PK-12. Upper School (grades 9-12) enrolls 283 students, Middle School (grades 6-8) enrolls 222 students, Lower School (grades K-5) enrolls 400 students, and PreK enrolls 100 students. There are 71 students in the Class of 2027.

OUR MISSION

In its pursuit of excellence, The Meadows School inspires ambitious students to love and respect higher learning, to passionately serve their communities, and to lead meaningful lives as citizens of a global society.

OUR VALUES

We live our mission through our core values of Scholarship, Character, Community, Inclusion, and Discovery.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Meadows School Community Engagement program is designed to give students an opportunity to acquire a greater sense of self and community. Students in Upper School must complete the 144 hour requirement over four years. 80% of these hours must be completed off campus

FINANCIAL AID

The Meadows School seeks to attract talented and motivated students of varied socio-economic backgrounds. This year, $3,208,000 in aid was awarded to 13% of the student body.

ONLINE LEARNING

Up to the 2023-2024 school year, The Meadows School was a member of Global Online Academy (GOA), a consortium of the world's leading independent schools whose mission is to translate into online classrooms the intellectually rigorous programs and excellent teaching that are hallmarks of its member schools.

GRADING AND CLASS RANK

Grade Point Average (GPA) is calculated using all courses with the exception of Physical Education (PE) and courses taken as pass/fail. The GPA is cumulative from the fall semester of freshman year. Plus and minus grades are reflected (e.g. B+ = 3.3, B- = 2.7). Students receive an extra .02 of credit for each Honors course per semester and an extra .03 of credit for each AP and AT course per semester. Students at The Meadows School are not ranked.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT & ADVANCED TOPICS COURSES

Students have the opportunity to challenge themselves through our Advanced Placement (AP) and Advanced Topics (AT) courses. Given the challenging nature of The Meadows School's curriculum, students are not permitted to take more than five advanced courses per year. Students are not permitted to take more than four AP courses per year. All students who take an AP course are required to take the exam.

AP Exams 2026	
Students with 1 AP Exam or More Taken	219
Total Exams Taken	486

Advanced Topics (AT) courses mirror advanced college courses in their disciplines. AT courses are taught by experts in various academic and career fields and provide opportunities for unique collaboration and interdisciplinary work. Many are post-AP, project-based, experiential, and have a particular focus on critical, original thinking and research.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS - 23 CREDITS

4 Years of English

4 Years of Social Science

4 Years of Mathematics

3 Years of Science

3 Sequencing Years of a Single World Language

1 Year of Visual or Performing Arts

2 Years of Physical Education or 4 Seasons on an Athletic Team

Met state requirements for Economics & Financial Literacy, Health, and Computer Science Education & Technology

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2026-2027 UPPER SCHOOL COURSE OFFERINGS

ENGLISH - 4 YEARS REQUIRED

9th Grade	H Literature & Composition
10th Grade	H American Literature & Composition OR H Outsiders in American Literature
11th Grade	H European Literature & Composition OR AP English Literature & Composition
12th Grade	H World Literature & Composition, AP English Language & Composition, AT Literature Seminar: Myth & Magic, AT Literature Seminar: Chaos & Creativity, AT Literature Seminar: Arthurian Literature & Victorian Literature, AT Literature Seminar: Humor & Satire in Literature & Film*
Non-Core Electives	H Creative Writing, H Publications I: Journalism, H Publications II: Yearbook

SOCIAL SCIENCES - 4 YEARS REQUIRED

9th Grade	H World History
10th Grade	H OR AP U.S. History AND H Introduction to Economics and Personal Finance
11th Grade	H European History OR AP Comparative Government OR H Latin American Studies OR AP Art History
12th Grade	H OR AP U.S. Government
Electives	H Scholastic Discovery & Achievement*, Student Government, AP Art History, AP Human Geography, H Historical & Contemporary Issues in Film, AP Comparative Government, AP Psychology, AT Social Sciences Research*, H Latin American Studies, H Religion and Philosophy

MATHEMATICS - 4 YEARS REQUIRED

H Algebra I, H Geometry, H Algebra II, H Algebra II/Trigonometry, H College Algebra with Trigonometry, H Precalculus, H Precalculus AB, H Precalculus BC, AP Precalculus, H Calculus, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AT Multivariable Calculus, H Statistics, AP Statistics, AP Economics

SCIENCE - 3 YEARS REQUIRED

9th Grade	H Biology
10th Grade	H Chemistry AND H Health
11th Grade	H Physics OR AP Physics I
Electives	H Human Anatomy & Physiology, AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Physics C, AT Modern Physics, AT Science Research, AT Biotechnology, AP Environmental Science

WORLD LANGUAGES - 3 YEARS REQUIRED

H Chinese I-IV, AP Chinese Language & Culture, AT Foundational Masterpieces of Chinese Literature*, H French I-IV, H French Pre-AP, AP French Language & Culture, H French Film & Conversation, AT French: Global Challenges, Personal Identity & Cultural Expression, H Latin I-IV, AT Latin Literature, AP Latin, H Ancient Greek, H Spanish I-IV, H Spanish Pre-AP, AP Spanish Language & Culture, AP Spanish Literature & Culture, H Spanish Film & Conversation, AT Seminal Works in Spanish Literature

FINE ARTS - 1 YEAR REQUIRED

Music	H Contemporary Vocal Ensemble, H Meadows Orchestra, H Symphonic Band
Film Studies	Amazing Directors*
Performing Arts	Acting I, Advanced Acting, Play Production, Musical Production, Technical Theatre Production, Technical Theatre, Advanced Technical Theatre
Visual Arts	Design Crafts, Studio Art I, Studio Art II, AT Studio Art*, AP Studio Art, Digital Media Essentials, Digital Drawing & Painting I, Filmmaking

SPEECH & DEBATE

H Speech & Debate, H Advanced Lincoln-Douglas Debate, H Advanced Policy Debate, H Advanced Individual Events, H Law in Practice/Mock Trial, AT Advanced National Circuit Lincoln-Douglas Debate, AT Research & Argumentation in Health Care Policy*

INNOVATION

H F1 STEM Racing, H Robotics, H Advanced Robotics, AT Robotics*, H Design Thinking & Entrepreneurship, AP Business with Personal Finance*, AP Computer Science Principles, AP Cybersecurity*

PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH - 2 YEARS OF PE OR 4 SEASONS OF ATHLETICS REQUIRED

Interscholastic Athletics, Athletic Performance & Personal Fitness

INDEPENDENT STUDY

Independent Study

* NEW COURSES FOR 2026-2027

CLASS OF 2026

FINAL TESTING PROFILE

SAT		N=69
	EBRW	M
Mean	658	639
Median	660	640
Middle 50%	580-700	570-700

ACT				N=24
	E	M	R	COMP
Mean	30	29	31	30
Median	33	29	33	32
Middle 50%	28-35	27-33	26-35	27-34

CLASS OF 2027

JUNIOR YEAR CUMULATIVE GPA DISTRIBUTION

GPA (Weighted)	
4.5>	38% of the class
Mean 4.45	

GPA (Unweighted)	
3.5>	73% of the class
Mean 3.64	

MEADOWS PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Class of 2026 earned more than $11.5 million in renewable grants and scholarships
- 2025-2026 Nine National Merit Finalists, four National Merit Scholars, four US Presidential Scholar Nominees
- 2025-2026 Thirty-nine students earned College Board National Recognition Awards
- 2025-2026 Two students qualified for National Speech and Debate Tournament
- 2025-2026 Two students qualified to represent Nevada at the International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF)
- 2025-2026 Seven awards at the Beal Bank USA Southern Nevada Regional Science & Engineering Fair, including Overall Fair Winner and 2026 Naval Science Award
- 2025-2026 Nevada State Quiz Bowl Team finished Top 25 in the Nation each of the last five years, including first appearance at Super Seven National Championship earning fifth place out of 192 teams
- 2025-2026 Top honors in six categories at DECA SCDC State Championships
- 2025-2026 Seven students earned 1st place in their respective categories at the DECA International Career Development Conference (ICDC)
- 2025-2026 Flying Mustangs Drone Team won the Aerial State Championship
- 2025-2026 FIRST Robotics Leadership Award finalist and team qualified to complete at the Robotics World Championship
- 2025-2026 The Meadows Orchestra honored with Outstanding Student Orchestra Award, Outstanding Stage Manager Award, and Individual Finalist at the NV High School Musical Theater Awards
- 2025-2026 100+ students and seven faculty members earned Global Seals of Biliteracy
- 2025-2026 One recipient of the distinguished Carson Scholars Fund
- 2025-2026 One recipient of the Princeton Prize in Race Relations
- 2025-2026 Four NCAA college recruits in baseball, water polo, soccer, and basketball
- 2025-2026 NIAA 3A Boys Varsity Basketball State Champions
- 2025-2026 NIAA 3A Girls Varsity Volleyball State Champions
- 2025-2026 Class 4A NIAA Boys and Girls Varsity Tennis State Champions. Within their ranks, boys and girls singles (4A) and boys doubles earned State titles
- 2025-2026 Four wrestlers crowned 3A Regional Champions in their respective divisions and qualified to compete at State
- 2025-2026 Cheer Team placed 1st at the United Spirit Association Regional Competition

NATIONAL MERIT BREAKDOWN

2026	
Commended	4
Semifinalist	9
Scholar	4
% of Class (75)	23%

2025	
Commended	7
Semifinalist	9
Scholar	2
% of Class (67)	25%

2024	
Commended	3
Semifinalist	9
Scholar	2
% of Class (67)	18%

2023	
Commended	6
Semifinalist	11
Scholar	1
% of Class (64)	27%

2022	
Commended	8
Semifinalist	4
Scholar	2
% of Class (41)	29%

2021	
Commended	3
Semifinalist	4
Scholar	2
% of Class (52)	13%

ACCREDITATION, AFFILIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

CollegeBoard

National Association of *Independent* Schools

THE CENTER *for* TRANSFORMATIVE TEACHING & LEARNING™

NWAIS Northwest Association *of* Independent Schools

NWAC Northwest Accreditation Commission

NACAC National Association for College Admission Counseling

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES & MATRICULATION

Over the past five years (2021 to 2026) 312 graduates have been admitted to the following colleges and universities:

Bold indicates matriculation.

Aberystwyth University
Academy of Art University
Adams State University
Adelphi University
Adrian College
Albion College
Allegheny College
American University (2)
Amherst College (1)
Anglo-American University
Appalachian State University
Arizona State University- Tempe (2)
Auburn University (1)
Babson College (1)
Baldwin Wallace University
Bard College
Barnard College (1)
Barry University
Bates College (1)
Baylor University (3)
Belmont University
Beloit College
Bentley University
Berklee College of Music (1)
Berry College
Blinn College-Bryan
Boise State University
Boston College (2)
Boston Conservatory at Berklee
Boston University (6)
Bowdoin College (2)
Brandeis University
Brown University (3)
Bryn Mawr College
Bucknell University
Butler University
California Lutheran University
California Polytechnic State University - San Luis Obispo
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
California State University, Chico
California State University, Fullerton
California State University, Long Beach
California State University, Los Angeles
California State University, Sacramento
Canisius University
Carleton College (1)
Carnegie Mellon University (1)
Carroll College
Case Western Reserve University
Central European University
Centre College
Chapman University (2)
Charles University
Clark University
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
Colby College (1)
Colgate University (1)
College of Charleston
College of New Jersey
College of Southern Nevada (1)
College of the Holy Cross
Colorado College
Colorado School of Mines (1)
Colorado State University (2)
Columbia College Chicago
Columbia University (2)
Concordia University Ann Arbor
Concordia University Irvine (1)
Connecticut College
Cornell University (4)
Creighton University
CUNY Brooklyn College
CUNY The City College of New York
Dartmouth College (3)
Davidson College (1)
Dean College (1)
DePaul University (1)
DePauw University
Dickinson College
Dillard University
Dominican University of California
Drake University
Drexel University
Duke University (1)
Earlham College
East Carolina University
Eckerd College
Elon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University - Daytona Beach
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Prescott
Emerson College
Emory University (4)
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Institute of Technology
Florida International University (2)
Florida Polytechnic University
Florida Southern College (1)
Fordham University (1)
Franklin & Marshall College
Furman University (1)
George Mason University (1)
George Washington University (5)
Georgetown University (5)
Georgia Institute of Technology
Gettysburg College
Gonzaga University (1)
Grand Canyon University
Grinnell College (1)
Harvard University (2)
Hastings College
Haverford College (1)
Hawaii Pacific University (1)
High Point University
Hofstra University
Howard University
Idaho State University
Illinois Institute of Technology
Indiana University - Indianapolis
Indiana University Bloomington
Iowa State University of Science and Technology
Ithaca College
Jacksonville University
James Madison University
Johns Hopkins University
Johnson & Wales University, Providence
Kennesaw State University
Kenyon College
Knox College
Lafayette College
Lawrence Technological University
Lehigh University
LeTourneau University
Lewis & Clark College (1)
Lipscomb University
Louisiana State University (1)
Loyola Marymount University (9)
Loyola University Chicago (4)
Loyola University Maryland
Macalester College
Manhattan School of Music
Marquette University
Maryland Institute College of Art
Marymount Manhattan College
McKendree University
Mercer University (1)
Miami University-Oxford
Michigan State University
Middlebury College (1)
Mississippi State University
Montana State University
Mount Holyoke College
Mount St. Mary's University
Nevada State University (1)
New England College
New Jersey Institute of Technology
New Mexico State University
New York Film Academy - New York City
New York Institute of Technology
New York University (14)
Norfolk State University
Northeastern University (3)
Northeastern University Oakland
Northern Arizona University
Northern Michigan University
Northwestern University (2)
Nova Southeastern University
NYU Shanghai (1)
Oberlin College (1)
Occidental College
Ohio State University at Columbus
Oklahoma State University
Oregon Institute of Technology
Oregon State University
Otis College of Art and Design
Pace University
Pace University, Westchester Campus
Pacific Lutheran University
Pacific Union College
Palm Beach Atlantic University
Penn State Altoona
Penn State University Park (2)
Pepperdine University (3)
Pitzer College (2)
Point Loma Nazarene University (1)
Point Park University
Pomona College (1)
Portland State University
Pratt Institute
Princeton University (1)
Purdue University
Purdue University Fort Wayne
Reed College
Regis University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (1)
Rhode Island School of Design (1)
Rice University (1)
Ringling College of Art and Design
Rochester Institute of Technology (1)
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology (1)
Royal Holloway University of London
Rutgers University - Camden
Rutgers University - New Brunswick
Rutgers University - Newark
Saint Louis University
Saint Mary's College of California
Samford University (1)
San Diego State University (2)
San Francisco Bay University
San Francisco State University
San Jose State University
Santa Clara University
Sarah Lawrence College (1)
Savannah College of Art and Design (1)
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
School of Visual Arts
Scripps College (1)
Seattle University
Seton Hall University
Siena University
Skidmore College
Soka University of America (1)
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
Southern Methodist University (11)
Southern Nazarene University
Southern Utah University
Southwestern University
St. Bonaventure University
St. John's University
St. Thomas University
Stetson University
Stony Brook University, State University of New York
Suffolk University
Syracuse University
Temple University (1)
Texas A&M University (2)
Texas Christian University (5)
Texas State University
Texas Tech University (2)
Texas Wesleyan University
The American University of Paris
The Catholic University of America
The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina
Thomas Jefferson University
Tiffin University
Trinity College
Trinity University
Tufts University (2)
Tulane University (3)
Union College
United States Merchant Marine Academy (2)
United States Naval Academy (1)
Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
Universita Bocconi (1)
University at Buffalo, the State University of New York
University College Dublin
University College London (1)
University of Alabama (1)
University of Arizona (4)
University of Arkansas
University of California-Los Angeles (2)
University of California, Berkeley (1)
University of California, Davis (3)
University of California, Irvine (2)
University of California, Merced
University of California, Riverside
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara (4)
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Central Florida
University of Chicago (2)
University of Cincinnati
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Colorado Colorado Springs
University of Colorado Denver
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Denver (2)
University of Exeter
University of Florida (2)
University of Georgia
University of Hawaii at Manoa
University of Houston
University of Idaho
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (1)
University of Illinois Chicago
University of Iowa (1)
University of Kansas
University of Kentucky
University of La Verne
University of Maryland, College Park
University of Massachusetts Amherst
University of Massachusetts Boston
University of Miami (2)
University of Michigan - Dearborn
University of Michigan (4)
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Campus
University of Mississippi
University of Missouri (1)
University of Missouri-Kansas City
University of Montana
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
University of Nevada, Las Vegas (25)
University of Nevada, Reno (12)
University of New Hampshire
University of New Mexico
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (3)
University of North Carolina at Greensboro
University of North Carolina Wilmington
University of Northern Colorado
University of Notre Dame (1)
University of Oklahoma
University of Oregon (2)
University of Pennsylvania (2)
University of Pittsburgh (2)
University of Portland
University of Puget Sound (1)
University of Redlands (1)
University of Richmond
University of Rochester (3)
University of San Diego (17)
University of San Francisco (1)
University of South Carolina-Columbia
University of South Florida (1)
University of Southern California (10)
University of St. Thomas (1)
University of Tampa
University of Tennessee
University of Texas at Arlington
University of Texas at Austin (1)
University of Texas at Dallas
University of Texas at San Antonio
University of the Pacific
University of the South
University of Toronto
University of Utah (2)
University of Virginia (1)
University of Washington (2)
University of Wisconsin-Madison (3)
Utah State University
Utah Tech University
Vanderbilt University (5)
Vassar College (1)
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Tech
Wake Forest University (2)
Washington & Jefferson College
Washington State University - Pullman
Washington University in St. Louis (2)
Wellesley College
Wesleyan University
West Virginia Wesleyan College (1)
Western Michigan University
Westminster University (1)
Westmont College
Whitman College (1)
Whitworth University
Wichita State University
Wilkes Honors College of Florida Atlantic University
Willamette University
William & Mary
Williams College (2)
Wofford College
Woodbury University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute (1)
Yale University (2)