



Davidson Day School Profile

2026-2027

Mission Statement

Together, we empower students to embrace challenge, live with character, and lead with purpose.

Statement of Belonging

Davidson Day School is committed to maintaining a welcoming, supportive, learning environment that values belonging. We respect individual differences in ethnicity, gender, national origin, race, color, religion, sexual orientation, ability, and socioeconomic status. Collaborative, inclusive, and diverse communities are essential to helping students appreciate differences, become ethical citizens, and develop as leaders for positive change.

School Facts

- Davidson Day School is a coeducational, independent, non-sectarian, college preparatory day school enrolling students from age 2 through grade 12.
- Located on 750 Jetton Street in Davidson, NC, a suburban town of 15,000 residents located about 25 minutes north of Charlotte. The town of Davidson is home to Davidson College, a highly selective liberal arts college that is 1 mile away from the Davidson Day campus.
- In Spring 2009, Davidson Day School graduated its first class of 10 students.
- Our curriculum includes collegiate choices throughout all departments, and we challenge students with Advanced Placement (AP) courses in English, Math, Science, History, World Language, Technology and the Arts. Students at Davidson Day are expected to utilize a sense of inquiry, deconstruct sophisticated material, and fuel class discussion with cogent commentary.

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Accreditation And Memberships

- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)
- Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS)
- National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS)
- National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC)
- Southern Association for College Admission Counseling (SACAC)
- Educational Records Bureau (ERB)
- North Carolina Association of Independent Schools (NCAIS)
- North Carolina Independent Schools Athletic Association (NCISAA)
- College Board
- Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools (ACCIS)



Grading Scale

A = 93-100 (4.0)	A – = 90-92 (3.67)	B + = 87-89 (3.33)
B = 83-86 (3.0)	B – = 80-82 (2.67)	C + = 77-79 (2.33)
C = 73-76 (2.0)	C – = 70-72 (1.67)	D + = 67-69 (1.33)
D = 63-66 (1.0)	D – = 60-62-66 (0.67)	F + = 59 and below

School Information

Total Enrollment: 565
 Upper School Enrollment: 184
 Class of 2027: 50
 Upper School Teaching Faculty: 30

Testing at Davidson Day

Due to the popularity of test-optional policies, we will not be providing the testing profiles for the Class of 2027.

	COLLEGE PREP	HONORS	AP
ENGLISH	English I, II, III, IV, English Composition**	English I, II, III, IV, Creative Writing**, Modern Song Lyrics**	English Literature and Composition, English Language and Composition
MATHEMATICS	Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Precalculus, Topics in Math**	Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II/ Trigonometry, Precalculus**, Calculus	Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics, Precalculus, Precalculus w/CalcA**, Calculus III (Post AP)
SCIENCE	Conceptual Physics, Chemistry, Biology	Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Anatomy/ Physiology, Forensics**, Zoology**	Biology, Chemistry, Physics I, Physics II, Environmental Science
HISTORY	Big History**, US History**, Anthropology**, Civics, World History**	Big History**, US History, Anthropology, Entrepreneurialism**, Civics, World History	Macroeconomics**, Microeconomics, Psychology, US History, World History, Government and Politics, European History
WORLD LANGUAGE	Spanish I/II/III**, French II	Spanish III/IV/V, French III/IV/V	Spanish Language, Spanish Literature**, French Language
YEARBOOK	Journalism Yearbook I	Journalism Yearbook II	
TECHNOLOGY	Intro to Computer Science**, Computer Aided Design (CAD)**, Intro to AI**		Computer Science Principles***, Computer Science A***
FINE ARTS	3D Animation**, Ceramic Sculpture**, Drawing/ Painting**, Film Studies and Production, Film II**, Film III**, Illustration**, Modern Music**, Photo I, II, III, Portfolio, Photoshop**, Studio I*, Studio II*		
PERFORMING ARTS	Band**, Theatre Arts**, Contemporary Ensemble, Performance Ensemble (audition required)		
PE & HEALTH	Health/Physical Education**, Weight Training, Intro to Sports Medicine		
ELECTIVES	Middle School TA	Research Methods, Social Entrepreneurship, Financial Literacy	AP w/ WE Service, Business with Personal Finance

*New course for 26-27, **Course not offered in 26-27, *** Classes offered through North Carolina Virtual Public School.

Class of 2026 Highlights

- The 47 members were offered more than \$7.9 million in merit awards.
- The Class of 2026 included 8 NCAA student-athletes and 20 NHS members.

Class of 2027 GPA Distribution

Highest: 4.67 Median: 3.93 Lowest: 2.58

Academic Information

- Honors and Advanced Placement courses are weighted (.5 and 1 point respectively). Calculus III is also weighted 1 point.
- Grade point averages reflect only courses taken at Davidson Day School.
- The following courses are not factored into the GPA: transfer courses, Upper School courses taken during Middle School, Independent Studies, and online courses not sponsored by the school.
- Davidson Day does not rank its students.
- If a student enters Davidson Day School with credits from another high school, a transcript from the previous school will be enclosed with the transcript sent to colleges.
- .5 credit per season can be earned for participation in school athletics or approved off-campus fitness activity.

*GPAs for transfer students are not included in the distribution. Figures calculated from the 9/1/26 roster export (47 of 50 students with a GPA on file); confirm against final records and transfer-student exclusions before printing.

Minimum Graduation Requirements 21 Credits

English:
4 credits

Math:
4 credits minimum sequence: Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and 1 credit beyond Algebra II

Science:
3 credits of lab science (Physics, Chemistry, Biology)

History:
3 credits

World Language:
2 credits (in the same language)

Fine Arts:
1 credit

Physical Education and Health:
1 credit

Electives:
3 credits

Note: During the Class of 2027's Upper School enrollment, the school revised its graduation requirements. Composition (0.5 credit) and Level III of a World Language are no longer required. Because many students had already completed these courses before the requirements changed, transcripts for members of the Class of 2027 may reflect coursework completed under the previous requirements.

Global Studies Diploma Program

Over a quarter of Davidson Day School students participate in international research. The **Global Studies Diploma** allows those students to expand upon those experiences and quantify their hard work into a tangible diploma. In addition to completing all Davidson Day minimum graduation requirements, Global Studies Diploma students are required to complete specific coursework with a global perspective, including the same world language in all four years of upper school. Students must also complete a minimum of two weeks of international field research (either through Davidson Day School's International Research Projects that are outlined below or another approved international research program) and a capstone paper that disseminates the results of their specific research topic. An additional transcript and profile will be sent for students who are receiving this diploma.



International Research Projects

Davidson Day has led full-scale ongoing archaeological research with the **American Foreign Academic Research**, more commonly recognized as AFAR, organization in Belize since 2009, Spain since 2014, Greece since 2017, and Portugal since 2018. Each of the programs partner with top-level colleges, universities, and government agencies to execute authentic scientific research at historically significant sites. Our students are given opportunities to disseminate their findings through publications and participation at international conferences.

Varsity Athletic Teams

Baseball (B)**	Lacrosse (G)
Basketball (B, G)	Soccer (B, G)
Cheerleading (G)	Swim (B, G)
Crew (B, G)	Tennis (B, G)
Cross Country (B, G)	Track & Field (B, G)
Football (B)**	Volleyball (G)
Golf (B, G)	

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Honor Code

Davidson Day School has established the following Honor Code to guide its students, faculty and administration: "I will not lie, cheat, steal, or plagiarize, nor will I tolerate the dishonorable behavior of others."



Visual and Performing Arts

- Improv Comedy Showcase
- Musical Theatre Review
- Student Written and Directed Short Play Showcase
- Contemporary Ensemble
- Performance Ensemble
- Theatre productions have included: Shakespeare, Greek Theatre, Musical Theatre, Contemporary Theatre
- Recent Blumey Nominations for Best Show and Best Featured Performers

Community Engagement

Our Learn-Serve-Reflect approach to Community Engagement inspires high-impact learning through nonprofit partnerships in every Division. Our students not only volunteer but uplift and empower local, regional, and global communities through acts of kindness and support. Davidson Day students, through community-based experiences, graduate as locally connected, informed citizens who have contributed to positive global impact. Service is encouraged, but not required.

2025-2026 PATRIOTS Review



NCISAA STATE CHAMPIONS

Varsity Boys Tennis

Alena Rollinson
Varsity Track & Field – 200 Meters

16

NCISAA all-State
Selections

8

Collegiate Athletes
Class of 2026

3

Davidson Day
Records Broken

5

NCISAA State
Runners-Up

200+

Student Athletes
(Middle & Upper School)

**FAST
FACTS**

6:1
STUDENT-FACULTY RATIO

12
AVERAGE UPPER
SCHOOL CLASS SIZE

340-971
CEEb Code

Colleges Accepting Davidson Day Students | 2022 – 2026

Adelphi University	Flagler College	Penn State University	University of Iowa
Alabama A&M University	Florida Atlantic University	Pepperdine University	University of Kentucky
Allegheny College	Florida Southern College	Point Loma Nazarene University	University of Lynchburg
AMDA College of the Performing Arts	Florida State University	Point Park University	University of Mary Washington
American University	Fordham University	Pratt Institute	University of Maryland
Anderson University (Indiana)	Fort Lewis College	Providence College	University of Massachusetts (Amherst)
Anderson University (South Carolina)	Furman University	Purdue University	University of Miami
Appalachian State University	Gardner-Webb University	Queens University of Charlotte	University of Michigan
Auburn University	George Mason University	Quinnipiac University	University of Minnesota
Bard College	George Washington University	Radford University	University of Mississippi
Barry University	Georgia Southern University	Randolph College	University of Missouri
Bates College	Georgia State University	Randolph-Macon College	University of Montana
Batten University	Georgia Tech	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of North Carolina at Asheville
Baylor University	Gettysburg College	Rhodes College	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Belmont Abbey College	Gonzaga University	Richmond American University London	University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Belmont University	Greensboro College	Roanoke College	University of North Carolina at Greensboro
Bentley University	Greenville University	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Berry College	Guilford College	Roger Williams University	University of North Carolina at Wilmington
Binghamton University	Hamline University	Rollins College	University of North Carolina School of the Arts
Boston College	Hampden-Sydney College	Rutgers University	University of North Dakota
Boston University	High Point University	Samford University	University of North Florida
Brandeis University	Hofstra University	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Pittsburgh
Brevard College	Hollins University	Seton Hall University	University of Rhode Island
Brown University	Hollins University	Siena University	University of Richmond
Bucknell University	Howard University	Smith College	University of San Francisco
Butler University	Indiana University (Bloomington)	Southern Methodist University	University of South Carolina
Carnegie Mellon University	Iowa State University	Southern New Hampshire University	University of South Carolina (Beaufort)
Case Western Reserve University	Ithaca College	Southwest Minnesota State University	University of South Florida
Catawba College	Jacksonville University	Spalding University	University of Tampa
Centre College	James Madison University	St. Lawrence University	University of Tennessee
Charleston Southern University	Johnson & Wales University (Charlotte)	Stetson University	University of Tennessee (Chattanooga)
Christopher Newport University	Juniata College	Stevenson University	University of the South
Clark University	Kenyon College	Suffolk University	University of Toronto
Clarkson University	Lehigh University	SUNY Buffalo	University of Utah
Clemson University	Lenoir-Rhyne University	Susquehanna University	University of Vermont
Coastal Carolina University	Liberty University	Sweet Briar College	University of Virginia
Colby College	Lincoln Memorial University	Syracuse University	University of Washington
Colgate University	Louisiana State University	Temple University	University of Wisconsin
College of Charleston	Loyola University Chicago	Texas A&M University	University of Wyoming
Colorado State University	Lynn University	Texas Christian University	Vanderbilt University
Columbia College Chicago	Manhattan School of Music	The College of Wooster	Vassar College
Connecticut College	Marist University	The Ohio State University	Villanova University
Cornell University	Marquette University	The University of Edinburgh	Virginia Commonwealth University
Dartmouth College	Mars Hill University	The University of Manchester	Virginia Tech
Davidson College	Mercer University	Tulane University	Wake Forest University
Denison University	Methodist University	Tusculum University	Warren Wilson College
DePaul University	Miami University	United States Air Force Academy	Wartburg College
Dickinson College	Michigan State University	University College London	Washington and Lee University
Drexel University	Middlebury College	University of Alabama	Washington State University
Duke University	Mississippi State University	University of Alabama (Birmingham)	Wentworth Institute of Technology
East Carolina University	Montana State University	University of California–Davis	West Virginia University
East Tennessee State University	Mount Holyoke College	University of California–Merced	Western Carolina University
East Texas A&M University	Muhlenberg College	University of California–Santa Cruz	Westmont College
Eastern Mennonite University	Nazareth University	University of Charleston	Wheaton College (Massachusetts)
Eckerd College	New Jersey Institute of Technology	University of Chicago	Widener University
Elon University	North Carolina A&T State University	University of Colorado Boulder	William & Mary
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	North Carolina State University	University of Colorado Denver	Williams College
Emerson College	Northeastern University	University of Connecticut	Wingate University
Emmanuel College	Northwestern University	University of Copenhagen	Winston-Salem State University
Emory University	Notre Dame College	University of Dayton	Wofford College
Emory University (Oxford)	Nova Southeastern University	University of Denver	Xavier University
Erskine College	Oberlin College	University of Florida	
Fairfield University	Old Dominion University	University of Georgia	
Fisk University	Oregon State University	University of Hawaii (Manoa)	
	Pace University (New York City)		