

AN INDEPENDENT COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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OUR MISSION...

TO SEEK. TO FIND. TO SHARE.

OUR STUDENT EXPERIENCE



We offer 18 AP courses and 20 honors courses. All students adhere to a student-governed honor and discipline code.



We have 40 JV and Varsity teams playing 13 sports. Many of our students are involved in multiple and simultaneous sports, and many of our students commit to NCAA and NAIA university teams.



We are home to an award-winning arts department, offering jazz, marching, concert bands; show and club choirs; performing theater and musical groups; and multiple visual arts and technology courses.



Short Term is a unique program that allows US students the opportunity to participate in traveling or internships with professionals in various fields, offering career building university experiences not otherwise targeted in regular classroom curriculum.



We are a 1-1 Macbook school, and we offer multiple technology courses, allowing for innovation and engagement with technology in our new STEAM and computer labs.

...IS OUR DRIVING FORCE.

Founded in 1970, Houston Academy (familiarly known as H.A.) is southeast Alabama's premier college preparatory school, serving students from 3P-12th grades. HA is the only independent school in the region that focuses on college preparation and global education. HA attracts students from "the Wiregrass," the moniker for our approximately 250,000-person region encompassing north Florida, southwest Georgia, and southeast Alabama. Of our 250+ Upper School students, 19% self-report as minority students. Students who come to Houston Academy seek a well-rounded educational experience that includes a strong emphasis on challenging academics, community involvement, athletics, and the arts.

SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUN





CLASS OF 2025 INITIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- average 26 ACT score
- dedicated 4,893 hours in service to our community thus far
- 2 students will participate in the PSAT-NMSQT Scholarship Process
- 39 Juniors took 88 AP Exams; 85% Pass Rate; Average Score 3.9 in 2024
- 6 AP Scholars; 1 AP Scholar with Honor; 3 AP Scholars with Distinction

CLASS OF 2024 HIGHLIGHTS UPON GRADUATION

- offered \$8,176,194 in scholarships; 54 of 59 students offered scholarships
- average 27.4 ACT score; 36% of seniors earned a 30+ on the ACT
- dedicated 5,861 hours in service to our community
- 59 seniors submitted 259 applications; 88% acceptance rate
- accepted to 65 universities in 17 states
- six students committed to play intercollegiate athletics
- two students offered early acceptance to medical school
- 9 AP Scholars; 2 AP Scholars with Honor; 17 AP Scholars with Distinction
- 54 Seniors took 175 AP Exams; 83% Pass Rate; Average Score 3.5 by 2024

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND TEAMS

Community Organizations
The Blue Zone
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
Raider Ambassadors
Student Government Association

Performance
Band (Marching/Concert)
Raiderettes Dance Team

<u>Athletics</u>

Baseball
Basketball
Bowling
Cheer
Choir
Cross Country
Golf

eSports

Soccer Softball Swimming Tennis Track & Field Volleyball Wrestling Academic
Art Club
Chess Club
Creative Writing
National Honor Society
Robotics
Scholar's Bowl

Service Organizations
The Ark
Enable
Interact

ACCREDITATION & MEMBERSHIPS

Alabama Independent School Association Alabama High School Athletic Association Alabama School Counselors Association College Board

National Association of Independent Schools National Association of Secondary School Principals National Honor Society & National Junior Honor Society National Association of College Admissions Counselors Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Southern Association of College Admissions Counselors Southern Association of Independent Schools

STANDARDIZED TESTING PERFORMANCE

PSAT-NMSQT				ACT		
CLASS OF	COMPOSITE	FINALISTS	COMMENDED	CLASS OF	COMPOSITE	
2025 (53 TESTED)	1104	TBD	TBD	2025 (57 TESTED)	26.28	
2024 (59 TESTED)	1079	0	0	2024 (59 TESTED)	27.4	
2023 (59 TESTED)	1061	0	1	2023 (57 TESTED)	26.64	
2022 (61 TESTED)	1002	1	2	2022 (62 TESTED)	26.97	

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

TESTING YEAR	COURSES OFFERED			AP SCHOLARS	
2024 (115 TESTING OF 246 US ENROLLED)	15	184	81%	38	
2023 (96 TESTING OF 250 US ENROLLED)	13	177	90%	47	
2022 (115 TESTING OF 251 US ENROLLED)	15	241	70.5%	40	
2021 (114 TESTING OF 265 US ENROLLED)	14	218	73.68%	41	

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

GRADING SYSTEM

- Only grades earned in courses with a capstone experience are used in computing the Cumulative GPA.
- In contrast, All Courses GPA is calculated to include the elective, nonacademic courses.
- AP courses carry a 1.0 weight when calculating GPA to reflect the degree of difficulty.
- Honors classes carry a weight of 0.5.
- Houston Academy does not rank students.

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- 93-97 | A 90-92 | A
- 83-86 B
- 30-82 B
- /-/9| C+
- 72-70 C
- 65-69 D
- Below 65 F

COURSE OFFERINGS

<u>English</u>
Pre-AP English 9 \triangle
Pre-AP English 10 \triangle
Pre-AP English 10 H \triangle
English 11
AP English Language
English 12 H
AP English Literature

Social Sciences

AP World History △
World History II
US History
AP US History
AP European History
Government
AP US Government
Economics
AP Microeconomics
Psychology
AP Psychology

Selected Topics in History

Sociology

Mathematics
Algebra I
Algebra I H
Geometry
Geometry H
Algebra II
Algebra II H

Advanced Alg & Trig

Precalculus
Precalculus H
Calculus H
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC*
AP Statistics

Science

Biology
Chemistry
AP Chemistry
Anatomy & Physiology H
Physics H \triangle AP Physics I \triangle Environmental Science
(All science courses include labs.)

World Languages
French I
French II
French III
French III
French III
French III H
Advanced Portfolio Art
French IV H
Studio Art H

Latin I
Latin II
Latin III
Latin III H
Latin IV H
AP Latin*

Spanish I Spanish II Spanish III Spanish III H Spanish IV H AP Spanish Lang.*

Physical Education
Agility and Fitness

AP French Lang & Culture* AP Music Theory Music Composition H Latin I Music Composition II H* Latin II Theater Production \triangle

Show Choir \triangle

Band (Marching/Concert)

Electives
ACT Preparation

AP Computer Science A
Comp. Programming H
Creative Writing
Debate

Debate

Advanced Debate* Digital Media I Digital Media II

Forensics/Criminology \triangle

Maker Tech Print Design

 \triangle indicates this title and/or curriculum has been added or adjusted within the last two academic years. Courses are not guaranteed yearly. An * indicates this course is not consistently offered, though it may have been an option for some of the 2025 senior class.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English		Electives		Community Service	40 hours
Science	4 units	Foreign Language	3 units	-	
Mathematics	4 units	Physical Education	1 unit	Internship Experience	1 week
History		Fine Arts		_	

MATRICULATION INFORMATION

Since its founding, Houston Academy has established an excellent record of acceptance of its graduates into college. Generally, 100% of the graduates attend college. The following colleges and universities have extended acceptance to Houston Academy graduates within the last five years.

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College Adelphi University Alabama A&M University Alabama State University American University Andrew College Auburn University Baldwin Wallace University **Baylor University** Belhaven University **Belmont University** Berea College Berry College **Boston University** Brenau University Brigham Young University Brigham Young University (Idaho) California State University (Monterey Bay) Carnegie Mellon University Case Western Reserve University Catawba College Clemson University College of Charleston Colorado State University (Fort Collins) **Drexel University Duke University Duquesne University** Eckerd College Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University **Emerson College Emory University** Faulkner University Florida State University Franciscan University of Steubenville **Furman University** George Mason University George Washington University Georgia Institute of Technology Georgia Southern University Georgia State University Gettysburg College Heidelberg University High Point University Huntingdon College Illinois Wesleyan University Ithaca College Jacksonville State University Jacksonville University Johns Hopkins University Kansas State University Lipscomb University Long Island University (Post) Louisiana State University Luther College Lycoming College Manhattan School of Music

Marymount Manhattan College Massachusetts Institute of Technology Mercer University Miami University (Oxford) Michigan State University Middle Georgia State University Millikin University Mississippi College Mississippi State University Montclair State University New York University North Carolina State University North Greenville University Northeastern University Northern Arizona University Norwich University Ohio University (Main Campus) Otterbein University Pace University (New York City) Penn State University (University Park) Pepperdine University Point Park University Purdue University (Main Campus) Quinnipiac University Regent University Rochester Institute of Technology Roosevelt University Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology Royal Conservatoire of Scotland Samford University San Diego State University Savannah College of Art and Design School of the Art Institute of Chicago Seton Hall University Sewanee: The University of the South Shepherd University Smith College Southern Methodist University Spring Hill College Stetson University Stony Brook University Susquehanna University Syracuse University Tennessee Technological University Texas A&M University Texas Christian University Texas State University The Ohio State University The University of Alabama The University of Tampa The University of Tennessee (Knoxville) The University of West Florida Troy University **Tufts University** Tulane University of Louisiana Tuskegee University **Union University**

United States Air Force Academy

United States Military Academy

United States Naval Academy

University of Alabama at Birmingham University of Alabama in Huntsville University of Arizona University of Arkansas University of California (Davis) University of California (Irvine) University of California (Los Angeles) University of California (San Diego) University of California (Santa Barbara) University of Charleston University of Colorado Boulder University of Denver University of Florida University of Georgia University of Hartford University of Hawaii at Manoa University of Indianapolis University of Iowa University of Maine University of Massachusetts (Boston) University of Massachusetts (Lowell) University of Miami University of Michigan University of Minnesota (Twin Cities) University of Mississippi University of Missouri (Columbia) University of Mobile University of Montevallo University of New Mexico (Main Campus) University of North Alabama University of North Carolina at Asheville University of North Carolina at Charlotte University of North Florida University of North Georgia University of North Texas University of Oregon University of Rochester University of South Alabama University of South Carolina University of Southern California University of Southern Mississippi University of West Alabama University of West Georgia University of Wisconsin (Madison) **Utah State University Utah Valley University** Valdosta State University Vanderbilt University Vassar College Wake Forest University Washington & Jefferson College Washington University in St. Louis Wellesley College Western Carolina University William & Mary Williams College Wright State University

York College of Pennsylvania