

#### WINDERMERE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

A NORD ANGLIA EDUCATION SCHOOL

# JOIN A COMMUNITY OF CHANGEMAKERS

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# ABOUT Nord Anglia

We're Nord Anglia Education, the world's largest international schools' group, and we offer prestigious day and boarding programs across the globe including in the United States. We deliver innovative teaching in state-of-the-art facilities and a competitive program in STEAM academics (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math), fine arts, sports, and social experiences.

We also have collaborations with pioneering institutions such as the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), The Juilliard School, UNICEF and IMG Academy, allowing students to create, innovate and make a positive impact in the world.

One of the advantages of our boarding schools is our global network, which enables students to connect and collaborate with peers from around the world, foster cultural understanding, and share classes with American and multicultural peers – all while living in safe, beautiful, and modern residences.



Schools



75,000+ Students Worldwide





## WELCOME TO WINDERMERE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

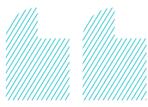
At Windermere Preparatory School, you're encouraged to create your future. This mantra is an integral part of our expectations for staff, students, and the wider community, and we include limitless opportunities into our everyday curriculum and beyond.

Your child will be part of a united community that supports and challenges students to take risks and become global citizens that want to change the world for the better. Students are encouraged to pioneer their own educational journeys by experiencing a varied, challenging, and exciting curriculum which is delivered and developed through an expansive range of diverse study opportunities designed to promote a love for learning and independent investigative skills.

Our inspirational teachers tailor your child's learning through an innovative, well-rounded, and experiential program that develops curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking leading to outstanding academic outcomes.

Everyone at Windermere Preparatory School believes that embedding an expectation of limitless achievement drives students to become the best version of themselves.





Windermere Prep is an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School comprised of local and international students representing over 50 nationalities world-wide. In pursuit of our crest values of Unitas, Veritas, and Virtus, we explore learning through innovative academic approaches, global partnerships, and a belief that we are better together as a Laker community.





Mitchell Salerno, Ed.D. Head of School





## A SNAPSHOT OF WINDERMERE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Located in Orlando, Florida, Windermere Preparatory School has been at the forefront of education since 2000. We offer day programs for students in PreK3 through Grade 6, as well as day and boarding programs for students in Grades 7 through 12. With over 50 nationalities, we are a local school with a united community and a global vision that provides stimulating and diverse learning experiences, problemsolving, and critical thinking skills for every child's success. Our tailored approach to learning prepares your child for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century through a significant emphasis on intellectual, personal, emotional and social growth, developing holistic thinkers and becoming global citizens that want to change the world for the better. **1,600** Student



**20%** Residential Students

Population

**BO%** Day Students

**95%** IBDP Average Pass Rate



Acceptance Rate



# ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

#### ONLY IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) is a comprehensive and challenging pre-university two-year course of study leading to examinations that demand the best from our students and teachers. It's widely recognized as the "Gold Standard of Education".

## **ENTREPRENEURIAL STUDIES**

Between 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Grade, our Entrepreneurial Studies Program at Windermere Preparatory School is an exciting addition to our curriculum that offers businessminded students a competitive edge for college and their future careers. Developed by The Startup Studio a world leader in providing a disruptive solution to high schools — this program develops real, sustainable skills that are highly demanded by the 21<sup>st</sup> Century economy.





#### **COLLEGE COUNSELING**

Choosing a great college or university is about finding the one that's right for you. By utilizing various resources, the counseling team at Windermere Prep guides our students on a personal journey to engage with their life beyond the classroom. This personalized approach helps to facilitate the thoughtful selection, application, and admission to the topchoice university for each of our students.

**Focused fit** - In the same spirit that drives our personalized learning approach, our counselors provide an individualized approach for each unique student at WPS. Each student is assigned a counselor in Grade 9<sup>th</sup>, who will guide the student through the college planning process through Grade 12<sup>th</sup>. Through individual meetings with students and parents, we initiate the right conversation with critically important questions that help each student develop their "best fit" college list. **Group sessions and insider access** - We host group events at WPS that provide a powerful set of benefits to parents and students. Informational meetings for parents are held throughout the school year, and we host over 150 college admission officers who meet with students on campus annually.

**Reputation and Relationship building** - The quality of Windermere Prep's curriculum and best fit college counseling approach enables students to find great success in college. This has led to lasting quality relationships with college admissions representatives and a growing reputation of our school.

#### **UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES**

Windermere Preparatory School is proud to boast that **100% of all graduating classes have had 100% college acceptances.** Each Senior Class of an average of 160 students has been accepted to Top 50 & Top 100 schools, including Ivy League and other private institutions.



#### **Boston University**

Brown University

**Carnegie Mellon University** 

Case Western Reserve University

Columbia University

**Cornell University** 

Dartmouth College

**Duke University** 

Florida State University

Georgetown University

Georgia Institute of Technology

Harvard University

Indiana University

Johns Hopkins University University Michigan State University New York University North Carolina State University Northeastern University Pennsylvania State University **Pepperdine University** Pratt Institute for Art and Design **Princeton University Purdue University** Savannah College of Art and Design School of the Art Institute of Chicago Stanford University

Syracuse University **TBS Business School, Barcelona** Spain The Ohio State University University College London University of British Columbia University of California, Berkeley 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 Florida

University of Illinois - Chicago

University of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign

University of Miami

University of Michigan

University of North Carolina

Chapel Hill University of Pennsylvania

University of Southern California

University of Texas at Austin

University of Virginia

Virginia Polytechnic Institute

Wake Forest University

Yale University

#### **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS: NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS**

Class of 2023 has had the largest group of National Merit Finalists with eleven students being selected. Of the 1.5 million entrants, some 50,000 with the highest PSAT/ NMSQT<sup>®</sup> Selection Index scores (calculated by doubling the sum of the Reading, Writing and Language, and Math Test scores) qualify for recognition in the National Merit Scholarship Program. In September, these high scorers are notified through their schools that they have qualified as either Commended Students or Semifinalists, with more than 16,000 students, or approximately one-third of the 50,000 being informed that they have qualified as Semifinalists.

To ensure that academically talented young people from all parts of the United States are included in this talent pool, Semifinalists are designated on a staterepresentational basis. Semifinalists are the highest scoring entrants in each state. To be considered for a National Merit Scholarship, Semifinalists must advance to Finalist standing in the competition by meeting high academic standards and all other requirements explained in the information provided to each Semifinalist. In February, over 15,000 Semifinalists are notified that they have advanced to Finalist standing. High school Principals are also notified and provided with a Certificate of Merit to present to each Finalist.



#### Jay Khemchandani

Class of 2023 Valedictorian and National Merit Finalist, Jay will be attending Brown University as part of the PLME program, which is an 8-year combined Baccalaureate - M.D medical program with a 2% acceptance rate







Highest PSAT/NMSQT®

Semifinalists

# OUR WORLD-CLASS COLLABORATIONS

As part of the premier Nord Anglia global education network, we learn from the very best research and talent. Thanks to our collaborations with top institutions in creativity, science, and social impact, your child has unparalleled opportunities to grow their skills and knowledge with the best.



## THE JUILLIARD SCHOOL

Performing arts are so much more than what is seen on stage! They encourage self-expression and self-awareness, as well the development of empathy, confidence, and cultural exploration. Our collaboration with Juilliard, the world-renowned performing arts school, combined with our outstanding dance, drama, and music programs inspire our students' creativity, teamwork, and resilience. The Juilliard School is recognized around the world as a leader in the performing arts. Our exclusive collaboration with them helps us to create an arts program that both inspires our students and sparks their passion to pursue their talents and interests.





# MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (MIT)

Our global program inspires students to look beyond individual subjects and harness the benefits of an interdisciplinary, practical, hands-on approach to learning guided by the world's leading STEAM institution. Our students are encouraged to solve problems creatively, embrace curiosity, and learn from world-leading experts at MIT. It also gives our teachers the chance to learn and receive professional development from inspiring figures in the world of STEAM and pass on their passion for learning to our students.

## UNICEF

We want to give both our students and teachers the chance to make a meaningful, positive impact in their community. This includes embedding the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) in all aspects of teaching and learning across our family of schools, using materials developed by UNICEF.

## WINDERMERE'S EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

At Windermere Prep, we don't just know your child for their grades. Our teachers care about your child personally, developing exciting experiences that holistically grow their interests and aspirations. Our teachers find what motivates your child so they can achieve more than they ever imagined possible. Through continuous challenges and commitment, our students strengthen their creativity and resilience, whether they're on a trip, in dance class, swimming, or participating in world language society.



# SCHOOL CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

## **LIST OF HONOR SOCIETIES ON CAMPUS**

Mu Alpha Theta - Math Honor Society

International Thespian Society

National Honor Society

National Art Honor Society

National Honor Society for Dance

Societe Honoraire de Francais - French Honor Society Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica - Spanish Honor Society Tri-M Music Honor Society

## LIST OF CLUBS ON CAMPUS

Amnesty International Club Asian Culture Club, Book Club **Brazilian and Immigration Club** Business Club, Chess Club Comfort Club, Connect A Kid **Cooking Club Dungeons and Dragons Club** EduAid **Environmental Club** Fantasy Football Club Game Development Club **Helping Hands Club** If Club

International Thespian Organization Jewish Student Union Latin Club Lend-A-Paw Mandarin Club Middle Eastern Club Play for Keeps Podcast Club Pride Club Sports Medicine World Perspectives Club

## ATHLETICS TEAMS & ON-CAMPUS PARTNERSHIPS

The Windermere Prep athletics program strives to provide a high quality competitive opportunity for our students that aims to enrich lives, enhance their educational growth, and promote the image of the school while building on the school's mission and vision. Athletics are an essential component of our educational experience. Interscholastic athletic competition is an extension of the classroom and an educational activity that provides outstanding opportunities to learn life lessons. Through athletics, student-athletes will develop the values of sportsmanship, teamwork, and leadership while learning how to win with humility and lose with grace. While our Athletics Department takes great pride in winning, we will never condone winning at any cost. Additionally, our focus will be to discourage any pressures that might neglect good sportsmanship and mental health. The interscholastic athletics program at Windermere Prep strongly encourages the participation of all students. Through athletic participation, students learn to work efficiently in groups, develop time management skills and team spirit, while fostering a healthy desire to excel.







### **LAKER AQUATICS**

Laker Aquatics prepares elite swimmers to compete nationally while building a lifelong love for the sport. Every swimmer meets their highest potential through an exemplary work ethic, discipline in thoughts, attitudes, and actions, unwavering support of their team, and strong character development that extends to life beyond the pool. Laker Swim offers instruction at all ages and levels, from stroke instruction for entry-level swimmers to highly advanced instruction for athletes preparing for Olympic Trials.

### **ORLANDO TENNIS ACADEMY**

Orlando Tennis Academy provides players with the ideal environment to improve their tennis skills with professional coaching while also gaining an exceptional education. We work with all our players on their tournament planning, training schedule, and academic work/life balance so they can achieve their maximum potential.



# **OFF-CAMPUS PARTNERSHIPS**

### **MMG GOLF PERFORMANCE ACADEMY**

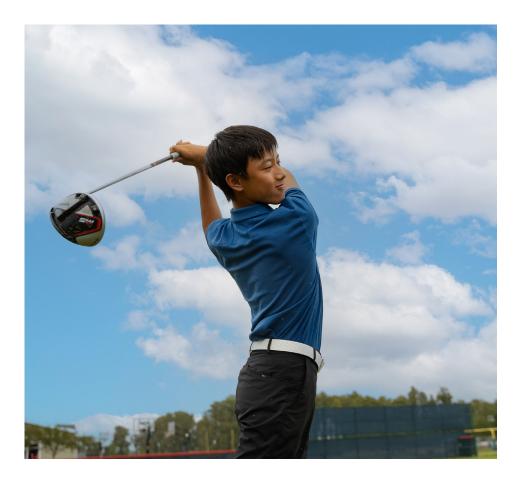
Specifically designed to help students who want to play college golf in the US, MMG Golf Academy is a worldleading high-performance program for junior golfers to train like the best players in the world. We educate students on the values and philosophies that build and sustain high performance, and we support them in developing the training and lifestyle habits that lead to growth and success in the game.

#### **OARS ROWING**

Rowing is one of the world's most enduringly popular amateur sports and it's available to people of nearly all ages and abilities. Rowing is a lifetime sport; a festival of exertion and exercise, variable in intensity, but rewarding at any level. Rowing offers the special bond of team sports alongside the deepest of individual challenges. Tenacity, discipline, camaraderie, selfdiscovery, resilience — these benefits and more await rowers who want to learn and excel with OARS.

## **IDEASPORT**

IdeaSport is a diversified sports company operating out of ESPN Wide World of Sports in Kissimmee, Florida. We provide soccer training adapted to the ages and levels of our players. Our training program is focused on four main content groups of professional soccer training: Tactical cognitive, Technical coordinative, Physical-conditional, and Psychological-mental.



## **BOARDING AT WINDERMERE PREP**

Becoming part of the Windemere Prep Residential Life program, means that your child has a unique opportunity to become engrained in tradtitional american education, while living in a suburb of a large and vibrant US city. Your child will receive the best care, resources, and services in our first-rate environment.

The WPS faculty, dorm parents, and residential life team looks after our Residential Life Village and takes caring interest in each student, helping them adjust to life in Windermere. With many social opportunities, our international students can master their English conversational skills to fluency and make incredible friends.



# 100+50+7th to 12thBoarding<br/>StudentsNationalitiesGrades



## **EXCEPTIONAL LIVING** WITH A GLOBAL VISION

Windermere Prep middle school and high school students from 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade live in converted townhouses that give the luxury and feel of real homes. Within our nurturing living spaces and during our activities, we embrace the diversity and internationalism of our residential students, keeping a global mindset present through all our activities. Residential students mature in their independence, confidence, and self-reflection while growing a variety of good habits and developing a strong work ethic.

### **HEAR FROM OUR STUDENTS**



"My experience at WPS has been very unique. I've connected with many different people from different countries, and I've enjoyed everything we have done, like going out on the weekends and being a part of a sports team. I've just joined football and it's been a great experience."

- Angelo

"The theater program at WPS has blown my mind. I like how people are so coordinated, and that there are so many ensembles and competitions in our performing arts department. I just love the community."



- Daniel



"When I first came to WPS, I was really afraid I wouldn't make any friends, but our boarding program is just like a big family. I love the people I live with, and I know I'm going to take these friendships with me for the rest of my life."

- Sophia

## TYPICAL WEEKDAY Schedule

#### Breakfast

We grab a healthy breakfast in our dining hall before heading to class. In robotics, we work on assembling pieces of our robotos to complete specific tasks, using coding to program the functions. We apply our creativitiy to build a bot that's one of a kind.



#### **Morning Classes**

In science class, we dissect rats to better understand their anatomy and to see how organs work. We use rats because their systems are similar to humans' systems, giving us a tangible sense of each part's function and its connections to other anatomy.



#### Lunch

We like to eat at the Laker Cafe beause there are so many nutritious options, including our brand new international noodle & rice bar. We catch up with friends, and enjoy the nice weather when we sit outside and watch people play basketball on the outdoor court.

EARLY MORNINGS

MORNINGS AND AFTERNOONS

EARLY AFTERNOONS



#### **Music Practice**

We practice playing wind instruments in Wind Ensemble, perfecting our skills further. Last year, we had a world-renowned composer create a song just for us at WPS, and we premiered the song at our spring concert.



#### **Sport Practice**

We finish our class schedule at the award-winning sports performance center, headed by Coach Micah Kurtz. It's much more than just weightlifting, also focusing on education around staying healthy and active while fueling our bodies with nutritious and beneficial food.



#### After school

Back in the Residential Life Village, we have so many options - group study rooms, places to work on visual or performing arts, as well as hanging out in our living rooms. We eat dinner as a group at Marcy Hall, and then we love going just across the village to grab some ice cream from Jeremiah's. It's a nice treat before resuming homework before lights out.

LATE AFTERNOONS

EARLY EVENINGS

**EVENINGS** 

# **BOARDING LIFE**

#### **ACTIVITIES AND WEEKENDS**

Home & Away Football Games Winter Garden Farmer's Market Orlando Magic Basketball Games ICON Park on International Drive Disney Springs Millenia Mall Mario Andretti's Racing Experience TopGolf Restaurants and Shopping locally



## **HOLIDAY TRIPS**

Students in the Residential Life program partake in two week-long trips over holidays in the states. In the Fall Semester (Thanksgiving Break), students have traveled to a local beach resort and participate in fun water activities, group dinners, and touring the city. During Spring Break (Spring Semester) students have enjoyed a week-long cruise! As we set sail in the Gulf of Mexico, students participated in water sports, game rooms, movies.

#### **DORM PARENTS**

The Residential Life Village is under the care of full-time Dorm Parents and part-time Residential Assistants who ensure the health, safety, and happiness of our students. They closely monitor proper behavior, study habits, and help to create a sense of community. Dorm Parents also work closely with parents, teachers, and tutors to ensure each student is comfortable in class and feels happy and engaged at school.





### DINING

FLIK Dining is the food service provider on campus for all meals. Students eat breakfast and dinner at the residential village and, during lunch time, they eat at the Laker Cafe where they have a variety of options including whole grains, proteins, fresh fruits and vegetables to ensure a nutritious and delicious meal.



## **MEET OUR RESIDENTIAL** LIFE ALUMNI

Aaron Jarvis, '21 grad. Residential Life, signed to play golf at UNLV as a student-athlete.

Windermere Prep allowed me to focus on my academics as well as my golf interests. My teachers supported me academically and personally, and the Residential life staff also supported me personally. I felt well supported to pursue my dreams, stay focused, and take advantage of all the opportunities available.





Aaron Jarvis

Meet Yoko Tai a '22 grad, student-athlete and boarding student, participating in off-campus golf league, attending Columbia University as a student-athlete.

WPS has made me respectful, kind, open, and honest. When I first came to WPS in 6th grade, my teachers and classmates were extremely welcoming, and I formed a close-knit friendship that I'm still very much close with today. The open and generous attitude they've shown me has motivated me to do the same with other interactions in my life.



Yoko Tai

# LIVE LIKE A LAKER



#### **LIFE IN FLORIDA**

Florida is known as the Sunshine State. The average daily temperatures range from a low of 57°F/13°C in January to a high of 88°F/31°C in August. While summers are the warmest, students get to experience the best of Florida, avoiding high humidity and rainy months. No winter jackets needed!





#### **ADDITIONAL FACTS ABOUT ORLANDO**

Windermere Florida is located in Orange County Florida, a suburb of Orlando Florida. Home to more than just theme parks, the greater Orlando area offers great shopping, one-of-a-kind restaurants, local farmers markets, water sports, beaches just 1 hour away, and endless fun.



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