

# TALLULAH FALLS SCHOOL

CHARACTER • ACADEMICS • SPIRIT • ATHLETICS

## AT A GLANCE 2020



# 100%

COLLEGE  
ACCEPTANCE

# TWENTY-ONE

## COLLEGE COURSES

TAUGHT ON TFS CAMPUS

# 531



STUDENTS ENROLLED  
GRADES 5 - 12

CLASS OF  
**2020**  
EARNED  
**\$8.7M**  
IN SCHOLARSHIPS



60%  
OF TFS STUDENTS  
PARTICIPATE IN FINE ARTS

# 16 COUNTRIES REPRESENTED



# 1,500+

HOURS OF COMMUNITY  
SERVICE PERFORMED  
BY TFS SENIORS

75% OF  
DAY STUDENTS  
RECEIVE  
FINANCIAL AID



# SPORTS TEAMS 40+



66% OF THE  
STUDENT BODY  
INVOLVED IN ATHLETICS



TALLULAH FALLS SCHOOL  
CLASS OF  
**2020**

TOP 25%

# SAT

1320-1490

# ACT

28-34

75%  
of all TFS  
students  
scored above  
the national  
average on the  
**SAT**

77%  
of all TFS  
students  
scored above  
the national  
average on the  
**ACT**

# 9:1

Student/Faculty Ratio



# 25

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

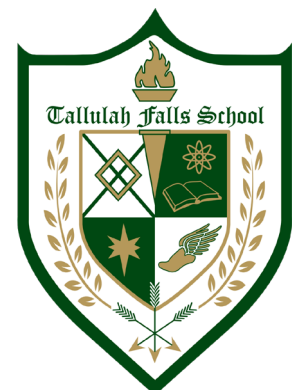
# 70%

TEACHERS WITH 10+ YEARS OF  
CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE



# 71%

FACULTY WITH  
ADVANCED DEGREES



# College Admissions Profile 2020-21 Academic Year

# Tallulah Falls School



## Quick Facts

Grades: .....5-12  
Enrollment: .....531  
Upper school: .....311  
Middle school: .....220  
Faculty and staff: .....58  
Student/Teacher ratio: .....9:1

## Class of 2020

- 63 graduates
- 100% college acceptance
- More than 1,500 hours of community service
- Earned more than \$8.7 million in scholarship offers, excluding HOPE Scholarships available to qualified Georgia residents

## Student Body

- 16 countries represented
- 75% score above the national average on the SAT
- 77% score above the national average on the ACT
- 60% of TFS students participate in the fine arts
- 66% of the TFS student body is involved in extracurricular activities, athletics (more than 40 teams) and 25 clubs.

## Faculty & Staff

- All TFS faculty are certified within their field of teaching
- 70% of TFS faculty have 10+ years of teaching experience

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## Tallulah Falls School - Profile

Tallulah Falls School is an independent, coeducational college preparatory boarding and day school with 531 students in grades five through 12. TFS offers a rigorous curriculum in a small classroom setting inspiring student engagement. Students receive close personal attention from teachers, advisors and other members of the campus community. With 21 dual enrollment college courses taught on campus, TFS students are well prepared to maximize the post-secondary experience.

## Academic Information

Tallulah Falls School operates on a two-semester schedule with exams at the conclusion of each semester. All academic courses are offered as college prep, honors level or dual enrollment college courses.

### Grading System

A ..... 90-100  
B ..... 80-89  
C ..... 70-79  
F ..... below 70

### GPA Weighting Policy

Tier 1 - 4.0 scale - college preparatory classes  
Tier 2 - 4.5 scale - honors level classes  
Tier 3 - 5.0 scale - dual enrollment classes

- Mid-year and final grades are included on the TFS transcript.
- Both weighted and unweighted GPAs are included on the transcript.
- Weighted GPAs are calculated according to the GPA weighting policy above, which is also included on the transcript.

### Graduation Requirements - 24 total credits

English - 4 credits

Math - 4 credits

Science - 4 credits

Social Studies - 4 credits

Foreign Language - 2 credits

Personal Fitness - 1/2 credit

Health - 1/2 credit

Senior Capstone - 1/2 credit

Electives - 4 1/2 credits

## Dual Enrollment Courses

Dual enrollment courses, taught on the TFS campus, allow students to earn both high school and college credit. Students are permitted to earn up to 15 hours of dual enrollment credits per semester. Students interested in dual enrollment must meet the SAT/ACT requirements for the University System of Georgia. TFS employs instructors that meet the SACS qualifications to teach college courses. Texts and syllabi are provided by the colleges.

College Algebra 102

College Biology 114, 124

College Calculus 220, 221

College Chemistry 214, 224

College English 101, 102

College Environmental Science 253

College Government 213

College Latin 113, 123, 233, 243

College Precalculus 116

College Spanish 113, 123

College Statistics 200

College U. S. History 233, 243

## SAT/ACT Score Results - Class of 2020

CLASS OF 2020	SAT ERW	SAT MATH	SAT TOTAL	ACT COMPOSITE
UPPER 25%	640-740	630-800	1320-1490	28-34
MID 50%	480-740	510-700	1040-1320	21-28

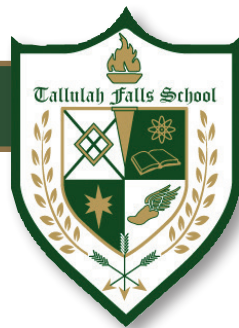
## Upper School Administrative Staff

Dr. Larry A. Peevy  
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# College & University acceptances 2017-2020



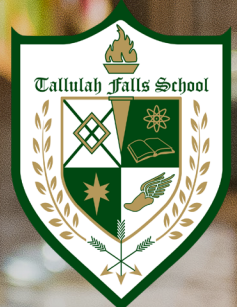
Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College	Florida Gulf Coast University	Ohio University	
Adelphi University	Florida Institute of Technology	Olin College of Engineering	
Agnes Scott College	Florida Southern College	Pace University	
Albany State University	Florida State University	Pennsylvania State University	
Anderson University	Fordham University	Pepperdine University	
Appalachian State University	Furman University	Piedmont College	
Arizona State University	Gardner Webb University	Pratt Institute	
Armstrong State University	George Mason University	Purdue University	
Assumption College	George Washington University	Randolph College	
Auburn University	Georgetown University	Reinhardt University	
Augusta University	Georgia College and State University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	
Augustana University	Georgia Gwinnett College	Rochester Institute of Technology	
Austin Peay State University	Georgia Institute of Technology	Rollins College	
Barry University	Georgia Southern University	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	
Baylor University	Georgia State University	Rutgers University	
Belmont University	Gettysburg College	Sacred Heart University	
Bentley University	Gordon State University	Saint John Fisher College	
Berry College	Grand Canyon University	Saint Joseph's University	
Berry College of Charleston	Guilford College	Saint Lawrence College	
Binghamton University	Hampden-Sydney College	Saint Leo University	
Birmingham-Southern College	Hanyang University	Saint Louis University	
Boston Architectural College	High Point University	Saint Louis University - Madrid	
Boston College	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Saint Mary's Univ. of Minnesota	
Boston University	Hofstra University	Samford University	
Brandeis University	Holy Family University	San Diego State University	
Brenau University	Howard University	Savannah College of Art and Design	
Brevard College	IE University - Madrid	Savannah State University	
Brigham Young University	Indiana University	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	
Brown University	Indiana University - Bloomington	Seton Hall University	
Butler University	Indiana Wesleyan University	Sewanee: The University of the South	
Capital University	Jacksonville University	Skidmore College	
California State University - Fullerton	Kennesaw State University	Smith College	
California State University - Los Angeles	Kyung Hee University	Sogang University	
California University of Pennsylvania	LaGrange College	Southern Methodist University	
Carnegie Mellon University	Lanier Technical College	Spelman College	
Case Western Reserve University	Lee University	Stanford University	
Central State University	Lenoir-Rhyne University	St. John's University	
Charleston Southern University	Louisiana College	The State Univ. of New York - Buffalo	
Chulalongkorn University	Louisiana State University	Stetson University	
Clemson University	Louisiana Technical Community College	Stevens Institute of Technology	
Coastal Carolina University	Loyola University	Syracuse University	
College of Charleston	Luther University	Temple University	
College of Coastal Georgia	Lynn University	Texas A&M University	
Colorado State University	Mars Hill University	The New School / Parsons School of Design	
Columbia University - City of New York	Maryland Institute College of Art	Three Rivers College	
Columbus State University	Massachusetts College of Art & Design	Tri-County Technical College	
Cornell University	Mercer University	Toccoa Falls College	
Cumberland University	Miami University (Ohio)	Truett McConnell University	
Davidson College	Michigan State University	Tulane University	
DePaul University	Middle Georgia State University	Tyler School of Art and Architecture	
Dickinson College	Middle Tennessee State University	University at Albany, SUNY	
Drexel University	Middlesex University - Dubai	University of Alabama	
East Carolina University	Mississippi State University	University of California - Davis	
East Tennessee State University	Montana State University	University of California - Irvine	
Eckerd College	Montreat College	University of California - Los Angeles	
Elmhurst College	New York Institute of Technology	University of California - Riverside	
Elon University	New York University	University of California - San Diego	
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	North Carolina A&T State University	University of California - Santa Barbara	
Emmanuel College	North Carolina Central University	University of California - Santa Cruz	
Emory University	North Carolina State University	University of Central Florida	
Emory University - Oxford College	North Central College	University of Chicago	
Erskine College	North Georgia Technical College	University of Colorado	
ESIC Madrid	Northeastern University	University of Colorado - Boulder	
EU Business School - Munich	Nova Southeastern University	University of Colorado - Denver	
Fashion Institute of Technology	Oglethorpe University	University of Connecticut	
Florida A&M University	Ohio Dominican University	University of Dallas	
Florida Atlantic University	Ohio State University	University of Denver	
			University of Florida
			University of Georgia
			University of Hawaii at Manoa
			University of Illinois
			University of Kentucky
			University of Louisville
			University of Maine
			University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
			University of Massachusetts - Amherst
			University of Massachusetts - Boston
			University of Miami
			University of Minnesota
			University of Mississippi
			University of Missouri
			University of Montevallo
			University of Mount Olive
			University of Nevada, Las Vegas
			University of New Hampshire
			University of New Mexico
			University of New Orleans
			University of North Carolina - Asheville
			University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
			University of North Carolina - Charlotte
			University of North Florida
			University of North Georgia
			University of Notre Dame
			University of Oklahoma
			University of Oregon
			University of Pennsylvania
			University of Pittsburgh
			University of Portland
			University of Rochester
			University of South Carolina
			University of South Florida
			University of San Francisco
			University of Southern California
			University of Tampa
			University of Tennessee
			University of Washington
			University of West Georgia
			University of Wisconsin
			University of Wyoming
			Virginia Commonwealth University
			Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
			Voorhees College
			Washington University in St. Louis
			Wentworth Institute of Technology
			Wesleyan College
			Wesleyan University
			West Virginia University
			Western Carolina University
			William Penn University
			Wingate University
			Wofford College
			Xavier University of Louisiana
			Yonsei University
			Young Harris College



# WORLD CLASS EDUCATION AT A FRACTION OF THE COST

2021-22

INTERNATIONAL  
BOARDING TUITION:  
\$50,000



TALLULAH FALLS SCHOOL





## Records Release

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Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Applying for Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian:**

I, the parent/guardian, of the above named student, do hereby authorize the release of my child's official school records to Tallulah Falls School. I acknowledge that I waive my right to read confidential information which will be sent directly to Tallulah Falls School.

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**School Official:**

The above named student has applied for admissions to Tallulah Falls School. Please send an official transcript, including the following:

- Official school transcript (two years) credits/courses completed
- Records of attendance and discipline
- Current year grades and/or progress reports
- Complete record of standardized testing
- Supplemental evaluation or testing that has been ordered or administered by the school for educational or behavioral purposes, and subsequent referrals or plans of intervention
- Birth certificate
- Social Security Card
- Health records and immunizations
- Individual Education Plan (IEP), a 504 Plan, or similar plan, if applicable

Thank you for your time and cooperation. Please sign and return the completed form with requested documents directly to the Admissions Office at Tallulah Falls School.

Name of School \_\_\_\_\_ School Official Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please return completed Transcript/Records to the Tallulah Falls School Admissions Office*

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Character

Academics

# TALLULAH FALLS SCHOOL

Spirit

Athletics



**"The Light in the Mountains"**

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# Tallulah Falls School

*Where learning begins with a natural wonder*





# The TFS Campus

*a beautiful setting for learning*



**E**nergized by youthful curiosity and inspired by the natural beauty of their surroundings, Tallulah Falls School students are encouraged to achieve excellence in all they undertake. The TFS campus is the perfect blend of both modern and historic structures carefully constructed to blend into a magnificent setting.




**Tallulah Falls School features separate middle and upper school campuses, each possessing its own unique characteristics and charms.**





# Be Engaged

A young boy with dark hair, wearing a green polo shirt, is leaning over a large, weathered wooden post. He is holding a yellow pencil with a red eraser and is focused on carving the wood. The background is a blurred green forest. The text "Be Engaged" is in the top left corner. A quote and the boy's name and class are in the bottom right corner.

*“Tallulah Falls School has helped me learn to study and make good grades. The school has also helped me be prepared for whatever comes my way. I have become organized and more careful about different things, like my school work and definitely my homework.”*

Barrett Whitener  
Class of 2022



## Middle School *building a strong foundation*

The middle school years are instrumental to a child's educational and social development. The Tallulah Falls School middle school program provides a safe, separate, modern learning environment where students receive generous personal attention in a small, encouraging classroom setting. Each student is carefully nurtured as they prepare for the rigor of the upper school.

## Upper School *preparing for college*

The phrase "college preparatory" is frequently used today, but it encompasses much more than just challenging academics. Success in today's competitive college environment requires not only academic knowledge but includes factors such as advanced study skills, time management and character development. TFS places a high priority on developing or refining these skills which helps students prioritize their daily lives and achieve greater success.



# the 21st century classroom



In the 21st century, the learning environment is no longer dictated only by its location or facilities. Tallulah Falls School personifies this modern approach to learning by issuing each student a laptop computer, maintaining a wireless campus and incorporating SmartBoard technology into each classroom. Students also have access to cutting-edge technology such as virtual reality and z-Space learning labs.

Our students become competent by integrating today's technology into their coursework and they can be confident that the learning environment at Tallulah Falls School has prepared them for the expectations ahead.



Geographical boundaries do not limit the ability to connect with students from around the globe. Our international population provides the TFS student body with the opportunity to share ideas and appreciate one another's different perspectives. Understanding the impact of world events through the experiences of classmates from other countries provides each student with a world view that is appreciated and is an important element when fostering future global leaders.

## Be Connected





**Be Inspired**

## Tallulah Falls School offers

*opportunities for students to discover new interests through diverse elective choices. A student at Tallulah Falls School will have the opportunity to enjoy a wide variety of interesting and practical electives including art, broadcasting, drama, music, critical-thinking, marketing, leadership, culinary arts, journalism, strength and conditioning and team sports, among many others.*







**Be** G.R.E.A.T.

*"A first-rate education can't be earned in just any high school. My academic success is due to the availability of rigorous courses. Tallulah Falls School has done just as much for my character development. TFS can be more than a school to its students if they let it. TFS felt like home and that is what ultimately allowed me to succeed."*

**John Luke Gallagher**  
Class of 2016  
attending the  
U.S. Merchant Marine  
Academy





# TFS Athletics

*Do you have what it takes?*

While every athlete strives to win, TFS coaches go far beyond the norm to inspire GREAT character traits in all of our athletes.

**Gratitude**  
**Respect**  
**Effort**  
**Ambition**  
**Trustworthy**

TFS coaches are a special breed. They are not only talented and well-qualified, but they understand that many of life's most enduring lessons are honed through athletic participation. Most coaches come from the ranks of the TFS faculty, so they understand the challenges of developing a successful, well-rounded athlete.

## Compete

soccer... cross country...  
volleyball... spirit cheering...  
basketball... swimming...  
track & field... baseball...  
precision riflery...  
golf... tennis...





# Be Involved



*"I had the privilege of attending TFS from ninth grade on. My time at TFS was truly a blessing as I was surrounded by the very best faculty, staff, coaches and students. I enjoyed state-of-the-art facilities with small classes and modern technology."*

**Michael Weidner**  
2017 senior class president  
attending the  
University of Georgia



## New Adventures



*"Tallulah Falls School made a difference in my life by being a second family to me. Although I was excited about college, it saddened me to think about leaving everyone and everything I'd known for the most important years of my young life. I can honestly say without a doubt that TFS made a tremendous difference in my life."*

- Jake Fortenberry  
Class of 2014  
attending Oakland University



## New Experiences





**Belong**



## A Place to Call Home



**B**oarding life provides a student with unique life experiences such as living with others in a dorm setting and working together as part of a family. Students become part of a community providing an opportunity to grow individually. They encourage each other to reach beyond their limits. The college preparatory boarding program does much more than help a student achieve academic success. It prepares a student for both academic and social challenges encountered during the eventful college years.



## Lasting Friendships





# Be Prepared

## Tallulah Falls School

Tallulah Falls, Georgia

The President, Trustees and Faculty in recognition of having  
satisfactorily pursued the studies, and completed  
the necessary requirements,  
therefore award this

College Preparatory Diploma

to

*TFS Graduate*



*"A subject that is very  
meaningful to me is my future.  
I know by going to Tallulah  
Falls School I received the best  
education possible. I knew I  
would go to college, and not  
just any college, but a good  
college. Going to a school with  
such high academic standards  
properly prepared me for life. By  
attending Tallulah Falls School  
I knew I would have a bright  
and secure future."*

- Vanessa Lewis  
Class of 2016  
attending the  
University of Georgia



# 100% of Tallulah Falls School graduates are accepted to college.



It's no secret that college is becoming prohibitively expensive. Tallulah Falls School now offers an opportunity for students to get a tremendous head start on college. An impressive number of college courses are currently taught in TFS classrooms by college-certified instructors. Students may actually begin their college career with enough credit hours to qualify as a sophomore, saving thousands in tuition costs, student fees and living expenses.

## COMPREHENSIVE

Tallulah Falls School offers a unique combination of excellent academics, a beautiful modern campus, highly-qualified faculty, small classes with generous personal attention and state-of-the-art technology. The result is a well-rounded graduate who is ready for the challenges of college - and life.



## READY FOR SUCCESS

Tallulah Falls School takes great pride in the quality of the colleges and universities that graduates attend. Students are provided the opportunity to visit colleges and universities during their high school careers and dozens of college representatives visit the TFS campus each year.

Assisting students in the college admissions process is a collaborative effort. Ultimately college acceptance is the result of careful planning involving teachers, coaches, counselors and mentors in an ongoing process.



## College Bound



## COLLEGE BOUND

100% of Tallulah Falls School graduates are accepted to dozens of the finest colleges and universities in the U.S. A partial listing of those institutions is included below:

- Agnes Scott University
- Amherst College
- Arizona State University
- Auburn University
- Brown University
- Clemson University
- Colgate University
- College of William and Mary
- Creighton University
- Dartmouth University
- Duke University
- Emory University
- Florida State University
- Fordham University
- Georgia College and State Univ.
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- Hofstra University
- Howard University
- Louisiana State University
- Mercer University
- Michigan State University
- Oglethorpe University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Purdue University
- Rutgers University
- Savannah Coll. of Art & Design
- Syracuse University
- Temple University
- United States Naval Academy
- University of Alabama
- University of Buffalo
- University of California Berkeley
- UCLA
- University of Florida
- University of Georgia
- University of North Carolina
- University of Southern California
- University of Virginia
- University of Washington
- Vanderbilt University
- Washington State University



# Begin



## The First Step

Tallulah Falls School is a small school that offers big opportunities. We invite you to experience a personal tour. You will be able to meet our students, talk with our faculty and staff, and savor the beauty of our 500-acre campus. Contact an admissions representative at (706) 754-0400 and take the first step of an exciting new adventure.

### Criteria for Admission

A prospective student must:

- Perform at or above grade level in his/her academic courses without special accommodations through IEP or 504 plans.
- Demonstrate a commitment to academic achievement and personal development through overall academic GPA, consistent school attendance and participation in school activities.
- Have no major disciplinary issues.
- Express a natural curiosity and love for learning.
- Desire to become a member of the TFS educational community and be an active participant within the community.



### The Application Process

Visit the TFS website ([www.tallulahfalls.org](http://www.tallulahfalls.org)) and complete the online application. Each application should be submitted with a non-refundable application fee.

### School Records

School records must include an official transcript sent directly from the applicant's school covering at least two years of the school career. These records should include academic grades, discipline reports, attendance record and standardized achievement scores.

### Entrance Evaluation and Examination

A prospective student may be required to take the SSAT as a part of the admission evaluation. For international students, TOEFL scores are required.

- For further information on the SSAT please visit: [www.ssat.org/ssat/info/home](http://www.ssat.org/ssat/info/home).
- The SSAT is offered on campus. Refer to the SSAT website: [www.ssat.org/centersearch.nsf](http://www.ssat.org/centersearch.nsf).

### Tuition

Generous support from a variety of groups and individual donors allows the school to keep tuition much lower than other comparable schools offering a college preparatory education.

### Financial Aid

Tallulah Falls School offers both academic merit scholarships and need-based financial aid. Merit scholarships are awarded based on a student's academic record for the previous two semesters. Need-based financial aid is awarded from an evaluation of a family's financial need and may cover a large portion of the tuition cost.

Please contact Enrollment Services or visit the Admissions section of the school website ([www.tallulahfalls.org](http://www.tallulahfalls.org)) for more information.





# Our Mission

Preparing each student to thrive in life by elevating character and intellect  
in a challenging and diverse college preparatory environment.

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