



# INDIAN SPRINGS SCHOOL

Learning through Living

## 2024-2025 School Profile

Founded in 1952, Indian Springs School fosters a love of learning and creativity, a sense of integrity and moral courage, and an ethic of participatory citizenship with respect for individuality and independent thought. Its wooded 350-acre campus is located 15 miles south of Birmingham, Alabama.

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### THE FACULTY & ADMINISTRATION

consist of 50 members, of whom 41 have advanced degrees, 15 of which are terminal degrees. 30 faculty and staff live on campus.

**THE ACADEMIC CALENDAR** includes 2 semesters of approximately 18 weeks. Classes meet for 50 minutes. A standard academic program consists of 6 classes per semester.

**GRADE POINT AVERAGES:** The GPA is calculated at the end of each year. The cumulative GPA includes only work completed at Indian Springs. We do not weight AP grades. P.E. grades are not included in the GPA, except for 9th Grade Wellness & Fitness. We do not rank students, nor do we issue academic awards.

**GPA Scale:** Students in the Class of 2025 have been graded on a 4.0 scale rather than the school's previous 4.6 scale. This means that overall GPAs may appear lower than previous years' Indian Springs students. See below for a summary of the new scale. The new GPA is calculated by computing the average of a student's grades on a scale from 0-100 and converting it to a scale from 0-4.0. Reported GPAs continue to be unweighted.

**INDEPENDENT STUDY & MSON:** The Independent Study option allows students to explore a subject in-depth, working directly with a faculty member to generate content and develop assessment protocols. The Malone Schools Online Network (MSON) is a consortium of independent schools that provide superior courses to expand the existing curriculum. The courses meet as interactive virtual real-time seminars each week and require student independence and high-level motivation.

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT** is comprised of 1 Mayor (the highest elected position), 6 Commissioner positions, the Judiciary, and 1 or 2 representatives from each class. Student self-governance is at the heart of Indian Springs and its traditions.

**DISCIPLINE POLICY:** In keeping with our values of integrity and moral courage, we ask students to answer application questions honestly. If a disciplinary infraction occurs after a college application has been submitted, the school will report it to the students' colleges if required.

### ENROLLMENT

341

STUDENTS IN GRADES 8-12



101

BOARDING STUDENTS



35%

DOMESTIC STUDENTS OF COLOR



11

STATES REPRESENTED



12

COUNTRIES REPRESENTED

### STANDARDIZED TESTING

For the Class of 2025 through July 2024  
Middle 50% Composite Scores

23-30

ACT COMPOSITE

1180-1440

SAT EBRW

### CLASS OF 2025 GRADE DISTRIBUTION

For the Class of 2025 through Junior Year

GPA RANGE	% STUDENTS
> 3.8	16%
3.70-3.79	13%
3.50-3.69	38%
3.25-3.49	22%
< 3.24	11%

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT

In 2024, 206 students took 411 AP exams. 77% were scored 3 or better, and 52% were scored 4 or better.

EQUIVALENT	97-100	93-96	90-92	87-89	83-86	80-82	77-79	73-76	70-72	67-69	63-66	60-62	0-59
GPA VALUE	3.88-4.00	3.72-3.84	3.60-3.68	3.48-3.56	3.33-3.44	3.20-3.28	3.08-3.16	2.92-3.04	2.80-2.88	2.68-2.76	2.52-2.64	2.40-2.48	0.0-2.36

# Curriculum

The minimum course load is 6 classes per semester

Bold indicates courses required for graduation

Asterisk indicates one-semester courses

Indian Springs requires 23 units for graduation.	
SUBJECT	CREDITS
English	4
History	3
Science	3 including Biology, Chemistry & Physics
Math	3 including Algebra II w Trig
Modern & Classical Languages	3 in the same language
Physical Education	3, ½ of which is Wellness & Fitness
Fine Arts	½ Art or Music History & additional ½
Electives	3

	ENGLISH	HISTORY	SCIENCE	MATH	FINE ARTS
9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>English 9</b>	<b>World History to 1500</b>	<b>Biology</b>	<b>Algebra I / Advanced Algebra I</b>	<b>Art History* or Music History*</b>
10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Critical Reading &amp; Analytical Writing</b>	<b>AP European History or AP World History 1500 to Present</b>	<b>Chemistry</b>	<b>Algebra II w Trig / Advanced Algebra II w Trig</b>	Acting I*
11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>AP English Language &amp; Composition or 2 English Electives</b>	<b>AP U.S. History</b>	<b>Conceptual Physics or AP Physics I or AP Physics C</b>	<b>Geometry / Advanced Geometry</b>	Adobe Photoshop I*
12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Seniors choose 2 electives:</b> Advanced Poetry Advanced Poetry II Comparative Literature: Victorian Times* Contemporary African American Voices* Creative Writing Workshop* Crime Fiction* Film Rhetoric* Literary Genres: The Comedy* Literary Theory & Analysis* Major Authors: Harlem Renaissance* Major Authors: Hemingway & Fitzgerald* Major Authors: Salinger & O'Connor* Modern African American Voices* Monsters, Devils, and Madmen* Romanticism* Shakespearean Comedies & Tragedies* The Art of the Personal Narrative* The Graphic Novel*	Seniors may choose electives: Advanced Topics: WWI* Advanced Topics: WWII* American Government* Business Entrepreneurship* Colonialism in the 19th & 20th Centuries* Constitutional Law & Civil Rights* Economics* Feminist Theory* Francophone Africa* Hamilton's America* History of American Democracy* International Relations* Latin American History* Liberalism & Conservatism* Mock Trial* Modern Japan: History & Culture* Nationalism* Reconstruction* Roman Worlds* Religious Literary* The 1960s* U.S. Women's History*	<b>Conceptual Physics or AP Physics I or AP Physics C</b> Advanced Topics in Chemistry AP Biology AP Environmental Science* Bio, Eng, Env Sci & Tech Methods (BEEST)* Organic Chemistry* Anatomy & Physiology I* Anatomy & Physiology II* Calculus-Based Electricity & Magnetism* Exploration of the Microscopic World* Forensics I* Forensics II* Infectious Disease* Introduction to Marine Biology* Psychology*	<b>AP Calculus AB</b> <b>AP Calculus BC</b> <b>AP Statistics</b> <b>Calculus</b> <b>College Algebra &amp; Stats</b> <b>Concrete Math*</b> <b>Discrete &amp; Combinatorial Math</b> <b>Differential Equations*</b> <b>Foundations in Algebra &amp; Geometry</b> <b>Linear Algebra*</b> <b>Multivariable Calculus*</b> <b>Precalculus / Advanced Precalculus</b>	Acting I* Advanced Contemporary Music Ensemble* Advanced Methods in Drawing* Advanced Methods in Photography* Advanced Methods in Sculpture* Advanced Performance Ensemble* AP Studio Art* Advanced Acting* Choral Conducting & Literature* Classical Music Ensemble* Contemporary Music Ensemble* Digital Photography* Directing & Stage Management* Drawing & Design* Illustration* Intro to Black & White Photography* Intro to Contemporary Music Ensemble* Intro to Music Theory*/ AP Music Theory* Playwriting* Recording Arts* Sculpture* Theatrical Design & Stagecraft Yearbook Design & Layout*
				<b>MODERN &amp; CLASSICAL LANGUAGES</b> <b>Students choose 3 courses in the same language:</b> Chinese: I-IV, AP Chinese French: I-IV, AP French Language & Culture / Advanced French Language & Culture Latin: I-IV, GLAM: Greek, (AP) Latin & the Ancient Mediterranean Spanish: I-IV, Advanced Spanish through Film & Literature* Advanced Spanish Grammar & Linguistics* AP Spanish Language & Culture	
				<b>COMPUTER SCIENCE</b> Advanced Topics in Computer Science* AP Computer Science A Big Data, Machine Learning & AI* Intro to Computer Programming* Intro to Engineering: 3D Design* Intro to Engineering: Electronics* Linux* Python Programming* Web Design*	<b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</b> <b>9th Grade PE*</b> <b>Wellness &amp; Fitness*</b> <b>10th Grade PE</b> <b>11th Grade PE</b> Foundation of Sports Medicine & Safety* Injury Prevention & Weight Training* Sports Medicine*

# College Matriculations 2020-2024

**Bold indicates 3 or more students attending**

Agnes Scott College

**American University**

Amherst College

Appalachian State University

**Auburn University**

Barnard College

Bates College

Baylor University

Belmont University

Berklee College of Music

Berry College

**Birmingham-Southern College**

Bocconi University

**Boston College**

**Boston University**

Bowdoin College

**Brandeis University**

Brown University

**Bryn Mawr College**

California Institute of the Arts

Carleton College

**Carnegie Mellon University**

Case Western Reserve University

**Centre College**

**Clark University**

**Clemson University**

Colby College

Colgate University

College of Charleston

Colorado College

Colorado School of Mines

**Columbia University**

Cornell University

Dartmouth College

**Davidson College**

**Denison University**

Dickinson College

Duke University

Elon University

**Emory University**

Florida Atlantic University

Florida State College at Jacksonville

Fordham University

**Furman University**

George Washington University

**Georgetown University**

Georgia Institute of Technology

Grinnell College

Hamilton College

Harding University

Haverford College

**Howard University**

Imperial College London

Ithaca College

James Madison University

Jewish Theological Seminary of America

Johns Hopkins University

Kenyon College

King's College London

Lafayette College

Lee University

Lehigh University

Lewis & Clark College

Louisiana State University

Loyola University Chicago

Loyola University Maryland

Marion Military Institute

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

Mercer University

Middle Tennessee State University

Middlebury College

Mississippi State University

**New York University**

Northeastern University

Northern Arizona University

Northwestern University

Oberlin College

**Oglethorpe University**

Oxford College of Emory University

Penn State University (University Park)

Pepperdine University

Pitzer College

Pomona College

Princeton University

Purdue University (Main Campus)

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

**Rice University**

Ringling College of Art and Design

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

Royal Conservatoire of Scotland

**Samford University**

Sarah Lawrence College

Savannah College of Art and Design

Scripps College

**Sewanee: The University of the South**

Simmons University

Skidmore College

Smith College

**Southern Methodist University**

Spelman College

Stanford University

SUNY University at Buffalo

Syracuse University

Texas A&M University

Texas Christian University

Texas State University

The American University of Paris

**The University of Alabama**

The University of Montana

The University of Tampa

The University of the Arts

Towson University

**Tufts University**

**Tulane University**

Union College

**University of Alabama at Birmingham**

**University of California (Davis)**

**University of California (Irvine)**

University of California (Los Angeles)

University of California (San Diego)

University of Colorado Boulder

University of Denver

University of Georgia

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

University of Massachusetts (Amherst)

University of Michigan

University of Mississippi

**University of Montevallo**

University of North Alabama

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

University of North Carolina at Charlotte

University of Notre Dame

University of Oxford

University of Pennsylvania

**University of Richmond**

**University of Rochester**

University of Southern California

University of Southern Mississippi

University of St Andrews

**University of Virginia**

University of Washington

University of Wisconsin

Valencia College

Vanderbilt University

Villanova University

Virginia Polytechnic Institute

and State University

**Wake Forest University**

Washington and Lee University

Washington University in St. Louis

**Wellesley College**

**Wesleyan University**

Whitman College

William & Mary

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Yale University