



**INDIAN SPRINGS  
SCHOOL**

# 2022-2023 Indian Springs 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.

**COVID STATEMENT:** Indian Springs School moved to distance learning in March 2020. Students were issued standard letter grades for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. During the 2020-2021 school year, we employed a hybrid model in which most students attended class in-person, and some attended online synchronously or asynchronously. Class sizes were reduced to allow for social distancing in the classroom, limiting elective options for some students. Travel for some of our international students has been challenging, and a period of asynchronous learning was offered at the start of the 2021-2022 school year.

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**STUDENT GOVERNMENT** is comprised of our 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.

**THE FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATION** consist of 50 members, of whom 38 have advanced degrees, 14 of which are terminal degrees. 22 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.

**CURRICULUM:** Indian Springs requires 23 units for graduation:

**English:** 4 credits

**Mathematics:** 3 credits including Algebra II w Trig

**Sciences:** 3 credits including Biology, Chemistry, and Physics

**History and Social Science:** 3 credits

**Modern & Classical Languages:** 3 credits in the same language

**Fine Arts:** ½ credit Art or Music History and additional ½ credit

**Electives:** 3 credits

Additional requirements include 3 credits of Physical Education, ½ of which is Wellness & Fitness.

**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.

**INDEPENDENT STUDY AND 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.

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

**ENROLLMENT**

**327**  
STUDENTS IN GRADES 8-12

**83**  
BOARDING STUDENTS

**27%**  
DOMESTIC STUDENTS OF COLOR

**9**  
STATES REPRESENTED

**12**  
COUNTRIES REPRESENTED

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT**

In 2022, 190 students took 437 AP exams. 76% were scored 3 or better; 51% were scored 4 or better.

**STANDARDIZED TESTING FOR THE CLASS OF 2023 THROUGH JUNE 2022**

	Middle 50% Composite Scores
ACT	29-33
SAT	1315-1500

**CLASS OF 2023 GRADE DISTRIBUTION**

Cumulative GPAs through Junior Year

GPA RANGE	% STUDENTS
> 4.3	20%
4.0-4.29	33%
3.6-3.99	34%
3.3-3.59	8%
3.0-3.29	4%
< 3.0	1%

LETTER GRADE	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F
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	4.6	4.3	4.0	3.6	3.3	3.0	2.6	2.3	2.0	1.6	1.3	1.0	0.0

# The Curriculum

**Bold indicates courses required for graduation**

	ENGLISH	HISTORY	SCIENCE
9	English 9	<b>World History: To 1500</b>	Biology
10	<b>Critical Reading &amp; Analytical Writing</b>	<b>AP European History or AP World History: 1500 To Present</b>	<b>Chemistry</b>
11	<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> AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science
12	<b>Seniors choose 2 electives:</b>  Advanced Poetry* The Art of the Personal Narrative* Comparative Literature: Victorian Times* Contemporary African American Voices* Creative Writing Workshop* Crime Fiction* Film Rhetoric* The Graphic Novel* Literary Genres: The Comedy* Literary Theory & Analysis* Modern African American Voices* Shakespearean Comedies & Tragedies*	Seniors may choose electives:  American Government* Constitutional Law & Civil Rights* Economics* Economics: Business Entrepreneurship* Feminist Theory* Great Depression & Film* Historical Methods* History of American Democracy* International Relations* Moral Philosophy* Reconstruction* Religious Literacy* The 1960s*	<b>Conceptual Physics or AP Physics I or AP Physics C</b> Advanced Topics in Chemistry AP Biology AP Environmental Science Organic Chemistry* Anatomy & Physiology I* Anatomy & Physiology II* Exploration of the Microscopic World* Forensics I* Infectious Disease* Introduction to Marine Biology* Psychology*

MATH
Foundations in Algebra & Geometry <b>Algebra I/Advanced Algebra I</b> <b>Geometry/Advanced Geometry</b> <b>Alg II w Trig/Advanced Alg II w Trig</b> Precalculus/ Advanced Precalculus Calculus AP Calculus BC AP Statistics Multivariable Calculus* Differential Equations* Linear Algebra*

MODERN & CLASSICAL LANGUAGES
<b>Students choose 3 courses in the same language:</b>  French: I-IV, AP French Language & Culture Latin: I-IV, AP Latin Intro to Ancient Greek Spanish: I-IV, AP Spanish Language & Culture Chinese: I-V, AP Chinese

PHYSICAL EDUCATION
<b>Physical Education Wellness &amp; Fitness*</b> Foundation of Sports Medicine & Safety* Injury Prevention & Weight Training* Sports Medicine*

FINE ARTS
<b>Art History* or Music History*</b> Advanced Acting* Directing & Stage Management* Playwriting* Theatrical Design & Stagecraft* Advanced Methods in Drawing* Advanced Methods in Sculpture* AP Studio Art* Drawing & Design* Sculpture* Adobe Photoshop I* Advanced Methods in Photography* Digital Photography* Introduction to Black & White Photography* Yearbook Design & Layout* Intro to Music Theory*/ AP Music Theory* Classical Music Ensemble* Choral Conducting & Literature* Introduction to Contemporary Music Ensemble* Contemporary Music Ensemble*/ Advanced Contemporary Music Ensemble* Recording Arts*

COMPUTER SCIENCE
Advanced Topics in Computer Science* AP Computer Science A Big Data, Machine Learning, & AI* Intro to Computer Programming* Intro to Engineering - 3D Design* Linux* Python Programming* Web Design*

\*One-semester course  
*A student must subscribe to a course load of a minimum of 6 classes per semester.*

# College Choices 2018-2022

**Bold indicates 3 or more students attending**

Agnes Scott College  
American University  
Amherst College  
**Auburn University**  
Barnard College  
Bates College  
Baylor University  
Belmont University  
**Birmingham-Southern College**  
Bocconi University  
**Boston College**  
**Boston University**  
Bowdoin College  
Brandeis University  
Brown University  
**Bryn Mawr College**  
Carleton College  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Case Western Reserve University  
**Centre College**  
Clark University  
Clemson University  
Colgate University  
**College of Charleston**  
Columbia University  
Connecticut College

Cornell University  
Dartmouth College  
**Davidson College**  
**Denison University**  
Dickinson College  
Duke University  
Earlham College  
Eckerd College  
Elon University  
**Emory University**  
Florida Atlantic University  
Florida Southern College  
Florida State College at Jacksonville  
Fordham University  
Franklin & Marshall College  
**Furman University**  
**Georgetown University**  
Hamilton College  
Harding University  
Harvard University  
Haverford College  
**Howard University**  
Illinois Institute of Technology  
Imperial College London  
Jewish Theological Seminary of America

Johns Hopkins University  
Kent State University  
King's College London  
Lafayette College  
Lee University  
Lehigh University  
Lewis & Clark College  
Lipscomb University  
**Loyola Marymount University**  
Loyola University Chicago  
Loyola University Maryland  
Loyola University New Orleans  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Middlebury College  
Mills College  
**New York University**  
Northeastern University  
Northwestern University  
Oberlin College  
Occidental College  
**Oglethorpe University**  
**Oxford College of Emory University**  
Penn State University (Main Campus)

Pepperdine University  
Pitzer College  
Point Park University  
Pomona College  
Princeton University  
Purdue University (Main Campus)  
Queen's University  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
**Rhodes College**  
**Rice University**  
Ringling College of Art and Design  
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology  
Samford University  
Sarah Lawrence College  
**Savannah College of Art and Design**  
Scripps College  
**Sewanee: The University of the South**  
**Southern Methodist University**  
Spelman College  
Spring Hill College  
**Stanford University**  
Texas A&M University  
Texas Christian University  
The American University of Paris

The College of William & Mary  
The London School of Economics and Political Science  
The New England Conservatory of Music  
**The University of Alabama**  
The University of Montana  
The University of Tampa  
The University of the Arts  
Tufts University  
**Tulane University**  
**University of Alabama at Birmingham**  
University of Alabama in Huntsville  
University of Arizona  
University of California (Berkeley)  
**University of California (Davis)**  
University of California (Irvine)  
University of California (San Diego)  
University of Colorado Boulder  
**University of Denver**  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
**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 Puget Sound  
**University of Richmond**  
University of Rochester  
**University of South Alabama**  
**University of Southern California**  
University of Southern Mississippi  
University of St Andrews  
**University of Virginia**  
University of Washington (Seattle Campus)  
Villanova University  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
Wake Forest University  
Washington University in St. Louis  
**Wellesley College**  
**Wesleyan University**  
Whitman College  
Wofford College  
Yale University