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Andrews Osborne  
ACADEMY









## Andrews Osborne Academy is an extraordinary school,

known throughout the region for offering a community built upon deep and meaningful relationships between and among teachers, students, and families. Andrews Osborne Academy is invested in two deeply held beliefs – that students need to think critically AND creatively. An AOA education empowers students to develop into empathic and caring global citizens capable of leading the way into a dynamic future.

All AOA students find themselves developing their critical thinking skills and their creative thinking skills. The AOA program enables students to master content – and to adapt as that content changes and evolves. AOA students develop the skills to learn what is knowable, imagine what is possible, and combine both in new and useful ways.

The value of an AOA education is also inseparable from the close-knit community that characterizes the school. At AOA, the strong relationships that we build with each other and that we value highly create a feeling of family within the classroom, between families and across all divisions.

Students enter college and careers as empathic global citizens with the capacity to lead their generation through the dynamic and challenging future that awaits.



# COMMUNITY

A large group of students and a teacher are gathered in a schoolyard. Many of the students are wearing red t-shirts and have their arms raised in a celebratory gesture. A teacher in a green shirt is visible on the left side of the group. The background shows a brick building with a white door and windows, surrounded by green trees and a lawn.

*"I knew after my first visit to Andrews Osborne Academy that this is where I wanted to be. I instantly felt at home here. Every morning I am greeted with a smile and every teacher knows each student personally."*

– AOA Student





Through the strength of our partnerships and our culture of collaboration, Andrews Osborne Academy inspires students to value family, service, and a commitment to the wider community.





A young man with dark hair, wearing a black hoodie, is shown in profile, looking towards the right. He is sitting at a desk in what appears to be a classroom or school setting. The background is slightly blurred, showing other students and a red shirt. The word "CREATIVITY" is overlaid in large, white, serif capital letters across the middle of the image.

# CREATIVITY



**Andrews Osborne Academy stimulates discovery and maintains a commitment to creative thinking. Our students learn experientially, think divergently, and create insightfully. In our classrooms, we measure success beyond grades and standardized tests.**





*“Creative thinking is about original ideas that have value. I design my classroom activities to foster flexible thinking, perspective-taking, and a high tolerance for ambiguity. Generating ideas in our “what-if” based discussions encourages my students to riff on existing material and create their own meaningful content. Our personalized creative thinking evaluations complement the standard GPA to differentiate our students in the college application process.”*

– AOA Teacher



# DIVERSITY



Andrews Osborne Academy nurtures inclusive communities of learners, encouraging diversity of thought and action. We engage and support the educational, cultural, and environmental vitality of the regional, national, and international communities that we serve.







*“The diverse culture provides a window to the world for my children. Throughout the year they are invited to experience a broad array of celebrations, traditions, and arts. These programs truly foster an understanding and appreciation of global culture that I feel are so important in our modern world.”*

– AOA Parent



# GLOBAL AWARENESS



**Andrews Osborne Academy's authentic international community allows us to connect students' curiosity with knowledge of global and cultural perspectives, enabling them to understand and impact the world.**



*“The curriculum at AOA is exceptional. From the earliest grades, the students are immersed in learning about the world around them. They are taught to be responsible global citizens and have the privilege of understanding global and cultural perspectives first-hand.”*

– AOA Alum







# LEADERSHIP



**Andrews Osborne Academy develops personal responsibility, civility, character, and calculated risk-taking. We encourage students to understand the foundations of leadership and group dynamics, and promote effective communication and collaboration skills.**

*“At Andrews Osborne Academy, our small class sizes, community service opportunities, public speaking program, and extracurricular offerings provide students with an ideal setting to learn and test leadership skills. Only at AOA can students learn and use these skills in an active and dynamic global community.”*

– AOA Parent



# Through the

Preparing students for higher education and empowering them to be successful leaders committed to serving in an international community, AOA takes pride in teaching the skills needed to thrive and excel in a global world. By challenging students to achieve academic excellence through a focus on critical and creative thinking, public speaking, and global awareness, Andrews Osborne Academy's standout academic programs, state-of-the-art facilities, and robust curriculum provide an educational experience that is unrivaled. Our teachers are talented, creative, forward-thinking, and inspirational professionals who lead each student's personal journey with close attention to the individual student.

## Lower School

- Citizenship • Confidence • Curiosity
- Resilience • Responsibility





# Years...

## Middle School

- Adaptability • Collaboration • Initiative
- Self-respect • Social Intelligence



## Upper School

- Character • Empathy • Exploration
- Global Responsibility • Risk-taking





# Lower School

## Pre-Kindergarten - Grade 5

Andrews Osborne Academy's caring and supportive faculty recognizes that a student's education is shaped by a multitude of experiences. A hands-on, character-building, and positive learning environment is provided. Students are challenged to take problem-solving risks and then to celebrate both learning mistakes and successes. AOA's low teacher-student ratio allows instructors to focus on planning for individuals rather than to expect group uniformity in skill development, achievement, and performance. Subjects are integrated to insure more meaningful learning connections.







## Public Speaking

AOA's public speaking program addresses one of the most common fears. Communication is an important life skill. AOA believes that its youngest children can learn to listen and speak with a purpose.

Public speaking begins in Pre-Kindergarten where students are expected to listen attentively and share ideas with others. AOA's belief is that through opportunities, instruction, and encouragement, students can develop strong public speaking skills.





# Middle School

## Grades 6-8

The Middle School program engages and challenges students to pursue personal excellence. The program fosters curiosity and promotes the application of learning by offering authentic, real-world contexts and opportunities to make multiple connections. In addition to developing leadership skills, the faculty is committed to helping students cultivate respect for self and others in preparation for ethical participation in a global society.



### Genius Hour

Genius Hour is time during the academic day in which students are able to work on a project of their choosing. Students engage in problem-based learning to further develop their analytical skills, creative thinking skills, and ability to take risks while exploring something of interest to them. All students share their progress in different ways.









# Upper School

## Grades 9-12

The Upper School program challenges students to think critically and creatively, discuss important matters articulately, write persuasively, and act responsibly with an understanding of global, social, political and scientific issues. Small class sizes allow faculty members to know their students and understand their individual strengths and weaknesses. This daily dynamic allows for innovation in the classroom while giving students the tools and direction for success in college and beyond.







## Lifelong Learning

With a commitment to lifelong learning and engagement in the world, AOA's demanding academic program sets high standards in its college preparatory experience while helping students find and foster their individual passions.





# EXPERIENCE & EXPLORE



## Athletics

- 11 different sports offerings
- 22 interscholastic teams
- 20,000 sq. ft. indoor athletic center with a turf field
- 5-court tennis complex
- Fields for soccer, lacrosse, and full artificial turf baseball and softball field
- Two gymnasiums
- Weight and cardio rooms
- 3.1 mile cross-country trail





## Fine and Performing Arts

- 650 Seat Auditorium
- Scene production shop, plus costume and prop rooms
- Two ensemble rehearsal spaces with three individual practice rooms
- Ceramics studio with kiln room
- Mary Ann Herman Morse '60 Art Gallery with year-round art shows

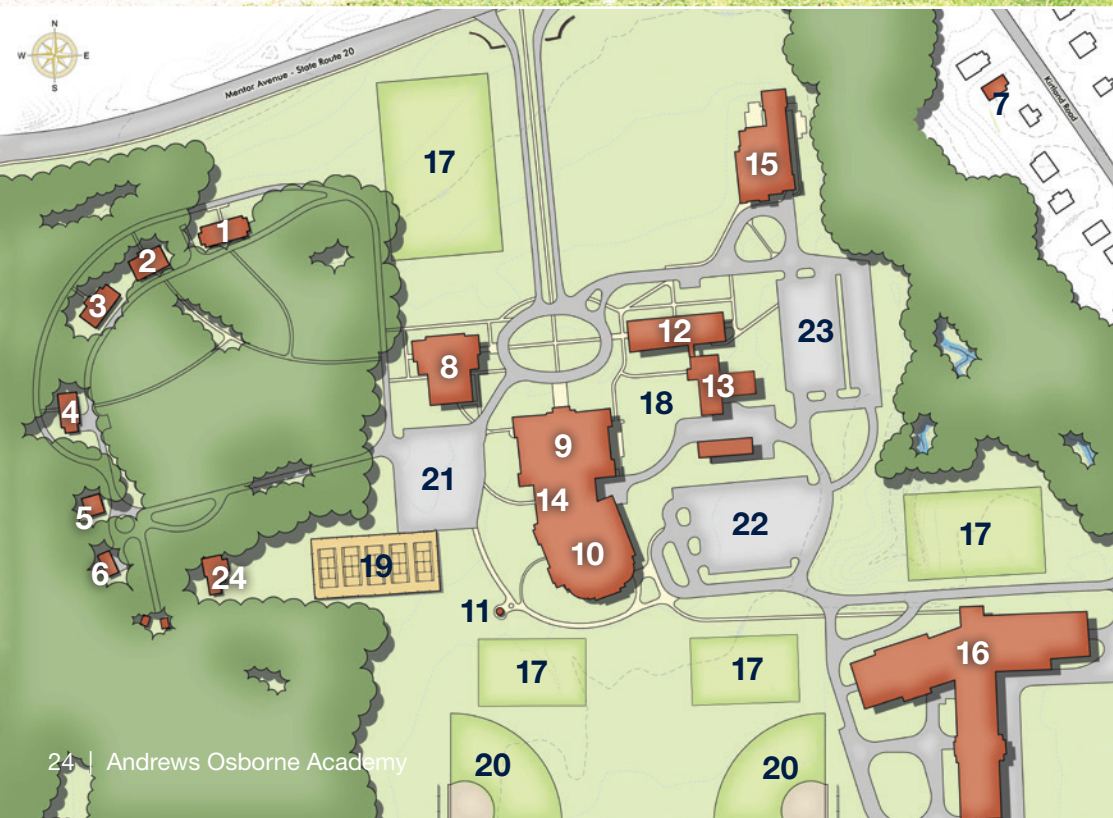




Dorm Circle is home away from home for our boarding students. The seven residential houses found here are a short walk from the student union, the library, the dining hall, and all academic buildings. Two house parents live in each residential house, providing comprehensive supervision, safety, and support.



# BOARDING LIFE



- 1 Hobart House
- 2 St. John House
- 3 Hanscom House
- 4 Andrews House
- 5 Crosby House
- 6 House #5
- 7 Seelye House
- 8 Roberta Lee Building
- 9 Jerome T. Osborne, Sr. Building
- 10 Fieldhouse
- 11 Observatory
- 12 Margaret St. John Building
- 13 Van Gorder Building
- 14 Admissions & Advancement
- 15 Fine Arts Association
- 16 Indoor Athletic Center
- 17 Soccer
- 18 Playground
- 19 Tennis
- 20 Softball & Baseball
- 21 West Parking Lot
- 22 South Parking Lot
- 23 East Parking Lot
- 24 Phoenix House





Students from around the world live together on campus in a safe and nurturing environment as part of Andrews Osborne Academy's boarding program. Weekend activities are a chance to try something new, get off campus and explore Cleveland, develop new friendships, and learn about new cultures.



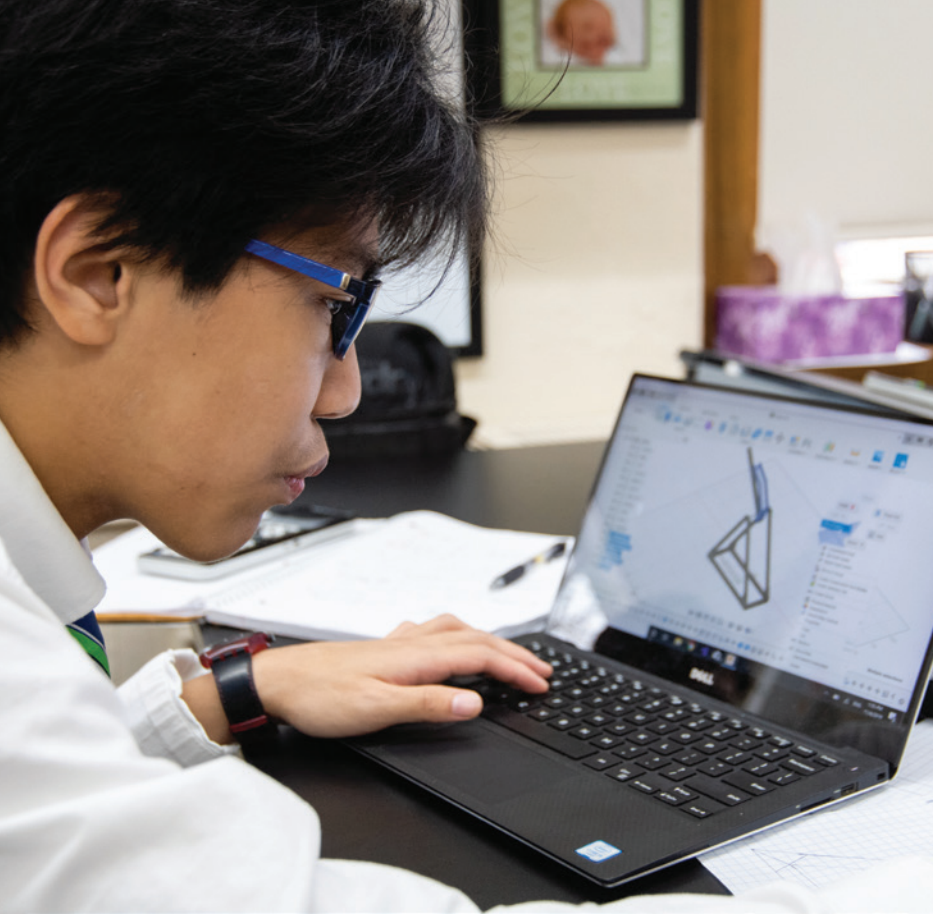




# AOA Students

Andrews Osborne Academy's students are from five continents which creates a unique opportunity for developing Global Awareness right on our campus. AOA's vibrant and diverse student community of passionate learners brings each other a wealth of cultural perspective and understanding that allows each student to gain a unique view of the world around them and graduate as global citizens.





*“I’m amazed at how every educator, at every turn, has been supportive and encouraging. They truly have a passion and respect for their career choice! We can only hope our children find that someday, and they will without a doubt have every opportunity to do so with the top notch education they receive at AOA. Andrews Osborne Academy is the best decision my husband and I could have made for our children’s educational experience.”*

– AOA Parent

## **We understand that selecting the right school is an extremely important decision. We are delighted that you are considering AOA!**

If you are looking for a school that offers a challenging and exciting classroom setting, strong college preparatory curriculum, a place to participate and excel in sports, fine and performing arts or a variety of clubs and extracurricular opportunities, and to meet and develop long lasting friendships, then we invite you to explore AOA.

### **COME VISIT US**

#### **Open House Dates**

Check our website for dates.

#### **Personal Tour**

Schedule a personal visit at your convenience.

#### **Shadow Days**

Students are welcome to come and experience a school day at AOA.

**To reach us, call 440-942-3600 or e-mail [admissions@andrewsosborne.org](mailto:admissions@andrewsosborne.org).**

### **HOW TO APPLY**

Andrews Osborne Academy welcomes qualified candidates with a variety of talents, interests, and perspectives, without regard to race, religion, gender, national or ethnic origin, or sexual orientation. The goal of the admission process is to determine the personal and academic strengths of each candidate. We seek students who are motivated to learn and who will contribute to the challenging academic environment. We want to ensure that AOA is the right fit for the applicant.

Please visit our website to begin the application process.

### **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

Financial assistance is available to qualifying students. Approximately 30% of Andrews Osborne Academy students receive need-based financial assistance.





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