

Mission Statement

Saint James is an independent, nonsectarian, and college-preparatory school with a student body broadly representative of college-bound students.

We are committed to challenging and assisting students in realizing their individual potential and preparing them for lives of responsibility, service, and achievement.

PROFILE 2017

Saint James School admits students of any race, religion, color, gender, creed, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students of the school.



Saint James School

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Saint James School is an independent, nonsectarian, college preparatory, coeducational day school founded in 1955. The Pre-Kindergarten through 12th Grade school is located across from the Alabama Shakespeare Festival in the state capital. Enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year is approximately 925.

The High School

- College preparatory curriculum
- 100% of graduates receive college acceptance
- Full range of electives including pre-college major electives
- Advanced Placement course offerings
- Nationally competitive forensic teams
- Outstanding college counseling & college tours
- Community service involvement and service clubs
- Advanced Placement Scholars
- 47 athletic teams
- Award-winning visual/performing arts
- 1:1 MacBook program in Grades 9 - 12
- National Merit Scholarship finalists & semifinalists
- Competitive academic teams
- International Student Program
- Nationally Recognized Marching Band

Faculty

The 2017-2018 Saint James School faculty consists of 102 professional staff members; 61 percent of these members have advanced degrees, including eight doctorates.

Accreditation/Memberships

Saint James School holds dual accreditation from the Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS) and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)/AdvancED. It holds membership in the National Association of Independent Schools, the Alabama Independent School Association, the Southern Association for College Admission Counselors, the National Association for College Admission Counselors, Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools, and The College Board.

Admissions

Admission to Saint James School is selective and competitive. Saint James enrolls qualified students without regard to race, sex, religion, ethnic, or national origin. Entrance tests are required of all applicants, and admission is based on academic ability and a strong academic work and behavioral ethic.

High School Core & Elective Course Offerings 2016-2017

*Courses denoted by an asterisk are Pre-College Major Electives

<p>English</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ English I ■ Advanced English I ■ English II ■ Advanced English II ■ English III ■ AP English Language & Composition ■ English IV ■ AP English Literature & Composition 	<p>Mathematics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Algebra I ■ Geometry ■ Advanced Geometry ■ Algebra II ■ Algebra II with Trigonometry ■ Algebra III with Trigonometry ■ Pre-Calculus ■ Advanced Pre-Calculus ■ AP Calculus AB ■ AP Calculus BC 	<p>History & Social Sciences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ World History I ■ Advanced World History I ■ World History II ■ AP European History ■ American History ■ AP United States History ■ US Government/Senior Economics ■ AP Government & Politics: U.S. ■ AP Macroeconomics 			
<p>Science</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Physical Science ■ Biology ■ Advanced Biology ■ Botany/Zoology ■ Anatomy and Physiology ■ Physics ■ Chemistry ■ AP Chemistry with Lab Class ■ AP Biology with Lab Class ■ AP Physics ■ Environmental Science 	<p>World Language</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Spanish I, II, III, IV ■ French I, II, III, IV ■ Latin I, II, III, IV 	<p>Technology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 21st Century Technology ■ Programming*/Networking* ■ Introduction to Computer Forensics* 			
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** In conjunction with the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts

High School Information

General Diploma (Class of 2017)

For a general diploma, the student must pass 25 Carnegie units, including the following: English: 4 units; Mathematics: 4 units (a minimum of Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II and Algebra III/Trig); Social Studies: 4 units; Science: 4 units; World Language: 2 units (at least two consecutive years of the same language is required); Physical Education: 1 unit; Technology: 1 unit; Fine Arts: 1 unit; Electives: 4 units

Honors Diplomas (Class of 2017)

Three levels of Honors Diplomas are available, requiring the following grade point averages (GPA): Cum Laude, 3.8 GPA; Magna Cum Laude, 3.9 GPA; and Summa Cum Laude, 4.0 GPA.

To earn an Honors Diploma, students must also meet the following requirements in addition to those for the General Diploma:

- Pass one additional Carnegie unit
- Earn a minimum GPA of 3.8
- The student must complete five elective credits. One of these must be the third year of the same world language.
- The student must receive high school credit for a minimum of four of the following science courses: physical science, advanced biology, biology, chemistry, physics, AP biology, AP chemistry, anatomy and physiology, or AP physics.
- Complete four semesters of Advanced Placement courses
- Complete two semesters at Saint James School and satisfy all other requirements (transfer students only)
- Complete six hours of approved, documented volunteer service for each year of attendance at Saint James in grades nine through twelve

20 Advanced/Advanced Placement Offerings

Advanced Course Offerings

Biology, English I, English II, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, and World History I

Advanced Placement Course Offerings

Art History, Art 2D Design, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, European History, Macroeconomics, Physics, Studio Art: Drawing, U.S. History, and U.S. Politics and Government

Saint James students taking AP exams consistently score higher than the global and state averages.

2013-2017 Students Scoring 3, 4, or 5: 82%

2013-2017 Global students scoring 3, 4, 5: 61%

2013-2017 AL students (public & independent) scoring 3, 4, or 5: 42%

Total Number of AP Exams Taken in 2017: 174

81 percent scored 3, 4, or 5

55 percent scored 4 or 5

Advanced Placement Scholar Awards 2016-2017:

AP Scholar Designation: 13

AP Scholar with Honors Designation: 5

AP Scholar with Distinction Designation: 11

National AP Scholar: 3

National Merit Scholarship Program

2016-17: Four Finalists; Four Commended

2015-16: One Commended

2014-15: Two Finalists; One National Achievement Finalist; One Commended

2013-14: One Finalist; One National Achievement Finalist

2012-13: One Finalist; Two Commended

Class of 2017 Profile

Saint James School does not assign class rank.

ACT Composite Score Quintile Distribution

Sector of Class	Distribution
Top 20 percent	30-34
Second	27-29
Third	25-26
Fourth	22-24
Fifth	21 or below

Middle 50 percent scored between 23-28.

SAT Score Quintile Distribution

Sector of Class	Total	EBRW	Math
Top 20 percent	1360-1460	700-720	680-800
Second	1240-1350	660-690	610-670
Third	1100-1210	580-650	540-570
Fourth	1010-1080	540-570	470-530
Fifth	940-980	490-530	420-450

Total: Middle 50 percent scored between 1070-1350.

EBRW: Middle 50 percent scored between 550-680.

Math: Middle 50 percent scored between 530-670.

GPA Quintile Distribution

Sector of Class	GPA Distribution
Top 20 percent	4.01-4.50
Second	3.77-3.96
Third	3.42-3.75
Fourth	2.96-3.41
Fifth	2.16-2.92

Grading Scale

A = 100-90

B = 89-80

C = 79-70

D = 69-64

F = 63 and below

Four-Year Institutions Accepting Saint James Graduates

Air Force Academy
Agnes Scott College
University of Alabama at Birmingham
University of Alabama at Huntsville
University of Alabama
American University
Appalachian State University
University of Arizona
University of Arkansas
Auburn University
Auburn University at Montgomery
Ball State University
Baylor University
Belhaven College
Belmont University
Berry College
Binghamton University (SUNY)
Birmingham-Southern College
Boston College
Boston University
Brevard College
Brigham Young University
Brown University
Bryn Mawr College
California State Polytechnic Institute
Carnegie-Mellon University
University of Central Florida
University of Chicago
The Citadel
Clemson University
College of Charleston
College of William & Mary
Colorado School of Mines
University of Colorado
Colorado State University
Columbia University
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
Davidson College
University of Delaware
Dickinson College
Duke University
Elon University
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
Emory University
Emory & Henry University
Faulkner University
Florida A & M
Florida Atlantic University
Florida State University
University of Florida

Furman University
George Mason University
Georgetown University
George Washington University
University of Georgia
Georgia Institute of Technology
Hampden-Sydney College
University of Hartford
Harvard University
Hollins University
University of Houston
Huntingdon College
Indiana University
Iowa State University
University of Kentucky
University of Kansas
Lipscomb University
Louisiana State University
University of Louisiana-Lafayette
University of Louisiana-Monroe
University of Louisville
Loyola University
Marymount Manhattan College
University of Massachusetts
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Meredith College
University of Miami
Millsaps College
Mercer University
Middlebury College
Mississippi College
University of Mississippi
Mississippi State University
University of Missouri
University of Mobile
University of Montevallo
University of Nebraska
New York University
University of North Alabama
University of North Carolina
North Carolina School for the Arts
Northeastern University
Northern Arizona University
Northwestern University
University of Notre Dame
Oberlin College
Ohio State University
Oglethorpe University
University of Oklahoma
Olin College
Oxford University, England

Pepperdine University
University of Portland
Presbyterian College
Princeton University
Providence College
Purdue University
Queens University, Canada
Regents College, London
Rhodes College
Rice University
Rollins College
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Rutgers University
Saint Lawrence University
Saint Louis University
Samford University
San Diego State University
Savannah College of Art and Design
Smith College
University of Southern California
University of Southern Mississippi
University of the South: Sewanee
University of South Alabama
University of South Carolina
Southern Methodist University
University of South Florida
Spring Hill College
Stanford University
Sweet Briar College
University of Tampa
University of Tennessee
University of Texas
Texas Christian University
Texas State University
University of Toronto
Troy University
Tufts University
Tulane University
Tuskegee University
University of Virginia
United States Military Academy
United States Naval Academy
Vanderbilt University
Wake Forest University
Washington and Lee University
Washington University in St. Louis
Wesleyan College of North Carolina
Wesleyan University
Western Kentucky University
Western Michigan University
Wofford College
Xavier University