

Saint James School 2023 Profile

As the leading independent college preparatory school in Central Alabama since 1955, Saint James School inspires students of all ages to discover their special talents, strive for achievement, serve others, and fulfill their powerful potential. In every classroom, from preschool to our most rigorous high school courses, students are challenged and mentored by their teachers as they develop strength of character and essential academic skills and knowledge. With a current enrollment of 850 students, our diverse student population includes students from an average of 15 countries in any given year. Saint James School offers a broad mix of college preparatory classes and extracurricular programs that meet a wide range of interests in academics, arts, and athletics, set in a learning community grounded in support, guidance, and encouragement.

Students Served

Pre-K2 - 12 850 (10% international)

Accreditation

Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS) Cognia

Athletics

45 athletic teams with 66% student participation 21 team state championships; two during 2022-2023 4 students (Class of 2023) signed to play in college

Arts

3 theatre and 8 grade-level annual stage productions Award-winning choir, band, and forensics team Nationally-recognized visual arts students

Tuition Assistance

\$1.05 million (25% of student body)

High School At A Glance

31 faculty members and administrators

81% hold advanced degrees, including **4** doctorates

9:1 Student/Faculty Ratio

20 Advanced Placement (AP) and **13** Honors classes

35 AP Scholar Awards

100% students accepted to 4-year institutions

\$27.8 million in scholarships awarded over the last five years

4 annual school-wide service projects, including community day

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MINININI Character • Commitment • Courage • Community

Mission Statement: Saint James School is an independent, nonsectarian, 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.

Class of 2023 Academic Achievements

GPA Distribution

Saint James School does not assign class rank.

Sector of Class	<i>GPA</i>
Top 20 Percent	> 4.31
Second	4.00 - 4.3
Third	3.67 - 3.96
Fourth	3.08 - 3.59
Fifth	2.19 - 3.07
Honors Diplomas	Grading Scale

Cum Laude: 3.8 GPA

Magna Cum Laude: 3.9 Summa Cum Laude: 4.0

A = 100-90B = 89-80C = 79-70D = 69-64

F = 63 and below

ACT Distribution

Sector of Class	ACT
Top 20 Percent	31-35
Second	27-31
Third	25-27
Fourth	20-24
Fifth	14-20
Middle 50%	22-29

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EBRW	550-720
MATH	610-760
EBRW+MATH	1220-1420

*18 students took the SAT

2023 AP Scholars

 Total AP Scholars AP Scholars with Distinction AP Scholars with Honors 11 AP Scholars

National Merit® Scholars

2023 – Five Finalists; One Semifinalist; Four Commended 2022 - One Commended 2021 - Two Finalists **2020** – One Finalist; One Commended

Global Seal of Biliteracy™

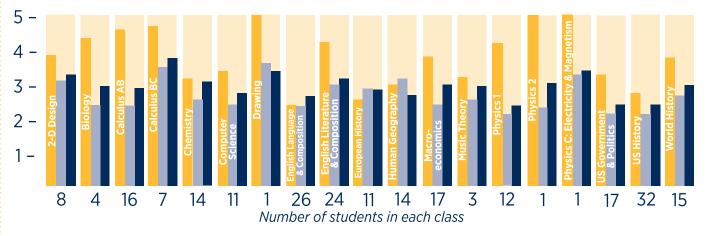
2023 - Four Recipients

2022 – Five Recipients

2021 – Two Recipients

Advancement Placement® Guidance and Results

AP classes begin in the 9th grade, and students can take an unlimited number of these classes. All students who take an AP class are required to take the exam, and Saint James students consistently score above both the global and state averages for those courses offered. In May 2023, exam scores in 89 percent of classes offered exceeded the state and global average. The following graph outlines AP scores for the 19 classes taken during the 2022-2023 school year.



Saint James Average

State Average

Global Average

High School Course Offerings

English

- English I
- · Honors English I
- English II
- Honors English II
- English III
- AP English Language & Composition
- English IV
- AP English Literature & Composition

History & Social Sciences

- World History I
- AP World History
- · World History II
- AP European History
- American History
- AP United States History
- US Government/Senior Economics
- AP Government & Politics: US
- AP Macroeconomics
- AP Human Geography
- AP African American Studies*

Mathematics

- Algebra I
- Geometry
- Honors Geometry
- Algebra II
- Honors Algebra II with Trigonometry
- Algebra III with Trigonometry
- Pre-Calculus
- AP Pre-Calculus*
- Honors Pre-Calculus
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC

Science

- Physical Science
- Biology
- Honors Biology
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Environmental Science
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Honors Chemistry
- AP Chemistry with Lab Class
- AP Biology with Lab Class
- AP Physics
- Conceptual Physics

Fine & Performing Arts

- Visual Arts I, II, III, IV
- AP Studio Art: Drawing with Lab Class
- Photography I, II
- Graphic Design
- AP Studio Art: 2-D Design
- Chorus I, II, III, IV
- Percussion
- AP Music Theory
- Performance Studies
- Instrumental Music I, II, III, IV (Marching & Concert Band)
- Theater Arts I, II
- Technical Theater I, II
- Technical Theater Productions
- Competitive Speech & Debate
- Journalism: Newspaper
- Journalism: Yearbook
- Public Speaking
- History of Rock and Roll*
- Music Industry*

Technology

- 21st Century Technology
- Programming / Networking
- AP Computer Science Principles
- STEM / Computer Science Tech Innovation
- Applied Digital Skills*
- Exploration of Information Technology*

World Language

- Spanish I, II
- Honors Spanish II, III, IV
- Latin I, II
- Honors Latin II, III, IV

Physical & Health Education

- Physical Education
- Athletic Weight Training
- Seventh Period Athletics
- Cheerleading I, II, III, IV
- Dance Team
- Lifetime Health and Wellness

Additional Electives

- Survey of Sports Medicine, Physical Therapy & Related Professions
- Introduction to Philosophy and World Religions
- Leadership Seminar
- AP Psychology*

*New in 2023-2024

Graduation Requirements

General Diploma

Fine Arts

Electives

25 Carnegie Units required

English	4 Units
Mathematics (minimum of Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and Algebra III/Trig)	4 Units
Social Studies	4 Units
Science	4 Units
World Language (at least two consecutive years of the same language)	2 Units
Physical Education	1 Unit
Technology	1 Unit

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4 Units

Honors Diploma

- Two additional Carnegie Units
- Minimum GPA of 3.8
- Six elective credits, one of which must be the third year of the same world language
- High school credit for minimum of four science courses, including: Physical Science, Biology, Honors Biology, Chemistry, Honors Chemistry, Physics, AP Biology, AP Chemistry, Anatomy and Physiology, and AP Physics
- Six semesters of AP courses in a minimum of two subject areas
- Four semesters at Saint James and satisfy other requirements (transfer students only)
- Eight hours of approved, documented volunteer service for each year attended at Saint James (grades 9-12)

College Acceptance Highlights (2019 - 2023)

Air Force Academy Alabama A&M University

University of Alabama at Birmingham

University of Alabama at Huntsville

University of Alabama

Alabama State University

University of Arkansas

Auburn University

Auburn University at Montgomery

Baylor University

Bellhaven University

Belmont University

Birmingham-Southern College

Boston College

Boston University

University of California Irvine

Calvin University

Carthage College

Centre College

The Citadel

Clark Atlanta University

Clemson University

College of William & Mary

University of Colorado

Columbia College Chicago

University of Connecticut

University of Dallas

University of Delaware

University of Denver

Drexel University

Duke University

East Carolina University

Emory University

Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising

Faulkner University

Florida A&M University

Florida State University

University of Florida

Furman University

George Washington University

University of Georgia

Georgia Institute of Technology

Georgia State University

University of Houston

Howard University

Huntingdon College

University of Illinois Chicago

Indiana University

Indiana State University

University of Iowa

University of Kentucky

Lipscomb University

University of Louisville

Louisiana State University

Loyola University

Manhattan College

Marion Military Institute

University of Memphis

Menlo College

Miami University (Ohio)

University of Michigan

Middle Tennesee State University

Mississippi College

University of Mississippi

Mississippi State University

University of Montevallo

Morehouse College

New York University

University of North Alabama North Carolina State University

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

University of North Texas

Ohio State University

Ohio University

University of Oklahoma

Oklahoma State University

Pace University

University of Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania State University

University of Pittsburgh

Purdue University Rhodes College

Samford University

Savannah College of Art and Design

Seattle University

Seton Hall University

University of South Alabama

University of South Carolina at Aiken

University of the South: Sewanee

University of Southern Mississippi

Southern Methodist University

Spring Hill College

Stillman College

Tama Art University (Tokyo)

University of Tennessee

Tennesee State University

University of Texas

Texas A&M University

United States Merchant Marine Academy

United States Naval Academy

University of Texas at Arlington

University of Texas at Dallas

Texas Christian University

Texas Southern University
Texas State University

Texas Tech University

Troy University

Tuskegee University

Virginia Commonwealth University

Virginia Tech University

Warren Wilson College

University of Washington

Western Kentucky University

University of West Florida

University of West Georgia

University of Wisconsin

University of Wyoming
Xavier University of Louisiana