



GREENSBORO DAY SCHOOL

Upper School Profile: 2014-15

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Greensboro Day School, founded in 1970, is an independent, nonsectarian PK-12 institution established to provide the best possible college preparation for youth of either gender without regard to race, color, creed, or national origin. As stated in the school's mission statement, Greensboro Day School develops the intellectual, ethical, and interpersonal foundations students need to become constructive contributors to the world.

For the year 2014-15 the enrollment is 845 students. The school is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and the Southern Association of Independent Schools.

THE UPPER SCHOOL FAST FACTS

Enrollment in Grades 9-12: 335
Average class size: 13

FACULTY AND STAFF

39 full-time equivalent
Nationally recruited
25 with master's degrees, 4 with doctorates
Full-time guidance counselor, learning resource specialist, technology specialist

CURRICULUM

115 courses
23 advanced
20 AP courses
2 post-AP level
Opportunities for independent study and approved online courses through Fuel Education®.

PERFORMING ARTS

Over 40% involved in music and/or drama performances each year

ATHLETICS

80% of students participate in at least one team sport
12 varsity girls' and 11 varsity boys' teams

COLLEGE GUIDANCE

Students are assigned to a dean and a faculty advisor in the 9th grade, and they will stay with these mentors through the 12th grade. Students work with faculty advisors on daily issues, such as classes and grades. The dean provides oversight on academic planning, and also helps students with extracurricular activities and ultimately the college search/application process. This innovative system fosters ongoing relationships to ensure the deans will know their students well throughout their high school years.

SPECIAL PROGRAM FEATURES

Honor Code: Student/faculty initiated and maintained program central to school's culture

Laptop program: All students in grades 6-12 use laptops in the curriculum

Academic advising system with 1:9 teacher:student ratio

Integrated experiential education component: Week-long service/activities programs for Grades 9-11; 5-week senior project

Comprehensive *Student Support Services program* with learning resource specialist, math and written-language resource specialists; faculty trained in learning differences

Student leadership/teamwork/community service opportunities through 18 clubs, student government and service-learning projects

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

DISCIPLINE AREA	MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS <i>one credit = one year</i> <i>minimum required total: 20 credits</i>	# ADVANCED-LEVEL COURSES OFFERED	
		<i>Advanced</i>	<i>AP/Post AP</i>
English	4 credits; 1 each in grades 9-12, English 9 required	4	3
Math	3 credits; Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II required	5	4
Social Sciences	3 credits; Global Perspectives, US History, US Government (.5 credit) or Economics (.5 credit) required, plus social science elective (.5 credit) in the 11th or 12th grade	0	4
Science	3 laboratory-course credits; Physics, Chemistry, Biology required	3	3
World Languages	2 credits through at least Level II, at least two years in Upper School	9	4
Arts (music, art, drama)	1 credit; an Exploration course (.5 credit) and any applied arts course (.5 credit), or three semesters of applied arts courses within one discipline	3	3
Physical Education	1 credit; Health and Wellness (.5 credit) required	0	0

ACADEMIC PROFILE – CLASS OF 2015

The class of 2015 includes 88 students. The test information listed below is based upon the students' highest scores achieved as of June 2014.

	RANGE	MIDDLE 50% RANGE	AVERAGE	# INCLUDED
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	75-104	87-94	90.4	88
UNWEIGHTED AVERAGE	75-99	85-91	88.4	88
SAT: READING	340-800	500-620	567	75
SAT: MATH	340-800	500-650	593	75
SAT: WRITING	330-790	500-630	568	75
SAT: TOTAL R + M	740-1550	1020-1290	1161	75
ACT: COMPOSITE	16-33	22-28	25	43

JUNIOR YEAR GRADE DISTRIBUTION – CLASS OF 2015

COURSE	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D/F	TOTAL
Algebra II	2	4	5	5	6	3	1	0	0	4	30
Arts Courses	41	21	14	8	2	1	0	0	0	0	87
Biology	0	6	7	8	11	4	2	0	0	0	38
Biology ADV	2	5	11	3	5	3	4	1	1	1	36
English 11	0	4	9	7	3	3	0	1	0	0	27
English Language AP	0	13	22	16	4	0	0	0	0	0	55
Precalculus	1	5	10	2	5	1	0	1	0	0	25
Precalculus ADV	1	4	6	3	1	3	2	2	0	0	22
US History	1	9	5	5	17	7	4	1	1	0	50
US History AP	2	5	2	8	10	2	1	3	1	0	34
World Language Courses	3	7	17	7	15	8	2	2	3	2	66

ACADEMIC COURSES AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) INFORMATION

Greensboro Day School offers a rigorous college preparatory curriculum. None of the courses carry the “honors” designation. Students who are enrolled in Advanced Placement (AP) courses are required to take the College Board’s AP exam at the end of the year. In 2013-14, 162 students took a total of 346 AP exams. Grades of 3, 4, or 5 were earned on 260 exams, or 75% of all exams taken.

Eighty-six of the 88 students in the class of 2015 have taken advanced and/or AP courses. The average number of advanced and/or AP courses taken per student is 8.

Listed below are the advanced (ADV), Advanced Placement (AP), and Post-AP courses that are offered:

ENGLISH

- ADV: English 10: Global Perspectives, Defining the Standard: Stereotypes in Literature, Words of Change: Social Change in Literature and Film, The Visualization of Literature
- AP: English Language, English Literature
- Post-AP: Senior Seminar: Shakespeare, Modern Culture, and the Interpretive Lens

MATHEMATICS

- ADV: Geometry, Algebra II, Precalculus, Intro to Calculus, Intro to Statistics
- AP: Statistics, AB Calculus, BC Calculus
- Post-AP: Post-AP Mathematics Opportunities

HISTORY & SOCIAL SCIENCES

- AP: United States History, Microeconomics, United States Government and Politics, European History

SCIENCE

- ADV: Physics, Chemistry, Biology
- AP: Physics C, Chemistry, Biology

WORLD LANGUAGES

- ADV: French IV, French V, French VI-Language and Culture; Latin Literature: The Age of Cicero, Latin Literature: The Augustan Age; Spanish IV, Spanish Conversation, Composition & Culture, Spanish V, Latin-American and Peninsular Spanish Literature
- AP: French VI-Language and Culture; Latin; Spanish Language, Spanish Literature

ARTS

- ADV: Concert Band, Chorus, String Ensemble
- AP: Studio Art-Drawing, Studio Art-2D Design, Studio Art-3D Design

COMPUTER SCIENCE

- AP: Computer Science

MARKING SYSTEM AND TRANSCRIPT NOTES

- Greensboro Day School uses a traditional “100-point” marking system, and reports grades and averages on the 100-point scale.
- The passing grade is 60.
- Averages are calculated from numeric grades for all credit courses taken at Greensboro Day School.
- Weighted averages (Year and Cum Avg Weighted): 10 points are added to each AP or Post-AP course grade; 5 points are added to each ADV course grade in computing weighted averages. The course grades shown on the transcript do not include the weighted points.
- Greensboro Day School does not compute class rank.
- Greensboro Day School notes the following semester honors on transcripts: Head’s List (semester unweighted average greater than 89) and Honor Roll (semester unweighted average between 85 and 89).
- If needed, grades may be equated to letter grades as indicated on the chart to the right.

NUMERICAL RANGE	LETTER GRADE
97-100	A+
93-96	A
90-92	A-
87-89	B+
83-86	B
80-82	B-
77-79	C+
70-76	C/C-
60-69	D+/D/D-
50-59	F

As a member of the National Association of College Admissions Counselors, Greensboro Day School, will report student conduct records to colleges, including, but not limited to, serious disciplinary violations, honor violations, probation, suspension and dismissal.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE AND MATRICULATION

The class of 2014 (100 students) submitted 681 college applications, received 378 acceptances (55%), and matriculated at colleges in 21 different states. Members of the Classes of 2012-2014 were offered admission to the following colleges and universities; parentheses indicate the number enrolled.

In North Carolina

Appalachian State University (4)
Campbell University
Davidson College (3)
Duke University (6)
East Carolina University (5)
Elon University (15)
Guilford College (1)
High Point University (3)
Lees-McRae College
Lenior Rhyne University (1)
Mars Hill University
Meredith College (1)
NC A&T State University (1)
NC Central University (1)
NC State University (17)
Queens University
UNC-Asheville (2)
UNC-Chapel Hill (53)
UNC-Charlotte (7)
UNC-Greensboro (8)
UNC-Pembroke (2)
UNC School of the Arts (1)
UNC-Wilmington (6)
Wake Forest University (7)
Warren Wilson College
Western Carolina University (2)
William Peace University
Wingate University (1)

Outside North Carolina

American University
Auburn University
Baldwin Wallace University
Bard College
Barry University
Bates College
Baylor University
Belmont University (1)
Bentley University
Berry College
Boston College
Boston University
Bowdoin College
Bradley University
Brandeis University (1)
Bridgewater College
Brown University (1)
Bucknell University (1)
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western University
Centre College (1)
Charleston Southern University
Chicago University of Art
Clark University
Clarkson University
Clemson University (3)
Coastal Carolina University
Colgate University
College of Charleston (2)
College of Saint Benedict
College of the Holy Cross (1)
Colorado College (1)
Colorado State University
Columbia University (1)
Connecticut College (1)
Cornell University
Covenant College
Curry College
Dartmouth College (1)
Denison University

DePaul University
Dickinson College (1)
Drexel University
Duquesne University (1)
Eastern Michigan State University (1)
Eckerd College (2)
Emerson College
Emory and Henry College (1)
Emory University (3)
Fashion Institute of Technology (1)
Flagler College (1)
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida State University (1)
Fordham University
Franklin & Marshall University (2)
Furman University (9)
Gardner-Webb University
George Mason University (1)
George Washington University (2)
Georgetown University (2)
Georgia Institute of Technology
Gettysburg College
Goucher College (1)
Hamilton College
Hampden-Sydney College
Haverford College (3)
Hiram College
Hobart and Smith College (1)
Howard University
James Madison University (1)
Johns Hopkins University
Kenyon College
Lawrence College
Lafayette College (1)
Lipscomb University (1)
Louisiana State University
Loyola University, Maryland
Mary Baldwin College
Maryland Institute College of Arts
McGill University (Canada)
Messiah College
Miami University (OH)
Middlebury College
Mount Holyoke College
New York University (2)
North Park University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University (1)
Oberlin College
Oklahoma City University
Paul Smith's College
Pennsylvania State University (1)
Pratt Institute
Presbyterian College (1)
Purdue University (3)
Radford University
Randolph College
Randolph Macon College
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhode Island School of Design
Rhodes University
Roanoke College
Rocky Mountain College of Art & Design
Rollins College (1)
Rutgers University
Santa Clara University
Savannah College of Art and Design (1)
School of Visual Arts (2)
Siena College
Skidmore College

Southern Methodist University (3)
St. Edward's College (United Kingdom)
St. Lawrence University
St. Olaf College
SUNY-Stony Brook
Syracuse University (1)
Texas Christian University (1)
The Catholic University of America
The College of Wooster
Trinity College
Tufts University
Tulane University (1)
United State Military Academy (2)
University of Alabama (2)
University of Arizona (1)
University of California-Irvine (1)
University of California-Los Angeles (1)
University of California-Riverside
University of California-San Diego
University of California-Santa Barbara
University of Central Florida
University of Colorado-Boulder (1)
University of Dayton
University of Delaware
University of Denver
University of Georgia (5)
University of Houston
University of Idaho
University of Illinois-Urbana (1)
University of Indiana
University of Kentucky (1)
University of London (United Kingdom)
University of Maryland
University of Massachusetts
University of Miami (FL) (1)
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi (5)
University of New Hampshire
University of North Florida
University of Oklahoma (1)
University of Pennsylvania (2)
University of Pittsburg
University of Richmond
University of San Diego
University of South Carolina (8)
University of South Carolina-Aiken
University of South Florida (1)
University of St. Andrews (United Kingdom)
University of the Pacific
University of the South
University of Tampa (1)
University of Tennessee (2)
University of Vermont
University of Virginia (2)
University of Washington (1)
University of Wisconsin
Vanderbilt University (2)
Vassar College (2)
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University (1)
Virginia Military Academy
Virginia Polytechnic Institute (2)
Washington and Lee University (2)
Washington College (1)
Washington University (1)
Wellesley College (1)
Wheaton College (1)
Whitman College (1)
Winthrop University (1)
Wofford College (3)