# 2022-23 UPPER SCHOOL PROFILE





Tom Bendel Interim Headmaster

**Dale King** Upper School Head

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# SAINT THOMAS' EPISCOPAL SCHOOL AT A GLANCE

K-12 Enrollment: 540

Upper School Enrollment: 179

Class of 2023 Enrollment: 38

Full-time Upper School Faculty: 43

Upper School Faculty with Advanced Degrees: **42%**  Advanced Placement Courses: **22** 

Accreditation: Southwestern Assoc. of Episcopal Schools

TAPPS 4A Athletics

11 Varsity Sports

24 TAPPS State Championships

26 US Champions in Highland Dance

- **5** World & **2** US Juvenile Pipe Band Championships
- 19 Regional Mock Trial Championships
- Nationally-Recognized Yearbook, The Belltower

#### STE SCHOOL DISTINCTIVES

**CLASSICAL EDUCATION.** STE engages students in a classical-style education, which emphasizes the study of Latin, philosophy and the classics.

**SUMMER READING.** Students must complete required reading each summer. Past literature has included Quo Vadis, Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde, The Count of Monte Cristo, All Quiet on the Western Front, The Picture of Dorian Gray, and Twelve Years a Slave.

**SCOTTISH ARTS PROGRAM.** Inspired by the tradition, discipline, and prestige of the pipe bands of the British Army, the Scottish Arts Program has been at the core of STE's identity since the late 1950's. Students participating in the Pipe Band receive instruction on the Great Highland bagpipe or Scottish snare, tenor, or bass drum.

As part of the curriculum for Lower School and an elective for Middle and Upper School, Highland Dance promotes physical grace and precise muscle control.

### **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

Minimum of **25** credits required for graduation:

ENGLISH	4	WESTERN PHILOSOPHY	1
MATHEMATICS	4	FOREIGN LANGUAGE	з
SCIENCE	4	PE/BAND/DANCE	2
SOCIAL STUDIES	3	ELECTIVES	4

Languages Offered: Chinese, Latin, Spanish

**Liberal Arts Electives:** Bible, Creative Writing, Grammar, Logic, Speech, Ten Pillars of Economics Sciences: Anatomy & Physiology, Computer Science, Environmental Science, Geology

**Performing & Visual Arts Electives:** Art, Band, Choir, Dance, String Orchestra, Theatre, Yearbook

# ACADEMIC PROGRAM OVERVIEW

STE offers students a rigorous, college preparatory liberal arts curriculum that emphasizes mathematics, sciences, and languages in addition to traditional liberal arts disciplines such as English, history, religion, and philosophy. Courses are taught in a rotating, seven-period schedule that includes daily chapel. Grades are posted at the end of each semester.

#### ADVANCED PLACEMENT CLASSES

STE does **not** offer honors courses. Advanced Placement courses are offered to sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

Students with the most rigorous schedules will take ten or more AP courses over their high school careers.

BIOLOGY	LATIN	
CALCULUS AB	MACROECONOMICS	
CALCULUS BC	MICROECONOMICS	
CHEMISTRY	PHYSICS C: MECHANICS	
CHINESE LANGUAGE & CULTURE	PHYSICS C: ELECTRICITY & MAGNETISM	
COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT	PSYCHOLOGY	
COMPUTER SCIENCE A	SPANISH LANGUAGE & CULTURE	
ENGLISH LANGUAGE &		
COMPOSITION	STATISTICS	
ENGLISH LITERATURE &	STUDIO ART	
COMPOSITION	US GOVERNMENT & POLITICS	
EUROPEAN HISTORY	US HISTORY	
HUMAN GEOGRAPHY		

Students are required to take the AP exam for each of their AP courses.

Some advanced courses in Latin, Mathematics, and Computer Science are offered beyond our AP curriculum. These courses also receive an additional 1.0 weighting.

# RANKING, GRADING, & GPA

- STE neither calculates nor reports class rank.
- GPAs are computed on a weighted 4.0 scale. Students earn an additional 1.0 for each AP class.
- Non-academic electives (i.e. band, highland dance) are not computed in the GPA.
- GPAs are computed at the end of each semester.

GRADING SCALE					
Number Grade	Letter Grade	Regular GPA	AP GPA		
90-100	А	4.00	5.00		
80-89	В	3.00	4.00		
70-79	С	2.00	3.00		
60-69	D	1.00	1.00		
0-59	F	0.00	0.00		

Average SAT Scores				
Class	Total	Evidenced Based Reading & Writing	Math	
2022	1300	650	650	
2021	Due to COVID-19, the sample size of SAT scores for the Class of 2021 is too small to report.			
2020	Due to COVID-19, the sample size of SAT scores for the Class of 2020 is too small to report.			
2019	1204	604	600	
2018	1300	630	670	

Average ACT Scores*		
Year	Total	
2021-22	27.4	
2020-21	28.7	
2019-20	27.2	
2018-19	27.2	

\*ACT scores represent all STE test-takers

#### **COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES**

Since 2018, STE graduates have been accepted at the following colleges and universities. Those to which they maltriculated are marked with an asterisk.

Adelphi University University of Alabama\* Allegheny College American University\* University of Arizona Arizona State University\* University of Arkansas\* Auburn University\* Austin College Baylor University\* Bellevue College\* Belmont University Beloit College\* Berry College Blinn College\* Boston University\* Brown University **Bucknell University** Cal Poly - Pomona Cal Poly - San Luis Obispo UC Berkeley\* UC Davis\* UC Los Angeles UC San Diego\* UC Santa Barbara UC Santa Cruz University of Chicago Clemson University Colgate University College of Charleston University of Colorado\* Colorado School of Mines\* Colorado State University\* Columbia University\*

University of Connecticut\* Cornell University\* University of Dallas Dallas Baptist University\* Dartmouth College University of Denver DePaul University Dordt University\* Drexel University\* Duke University\* Eckerd College Elon University Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Emerson College\* Emory University Fairleigh Dickinson University\* University of Florida Florida Institute of Technology' Fordham University\* Furman University\* George Mason University George Washington University\* Georgetown University\* University of Georgia Georgia Institute of Technology' Grinnell College University of Hawaii High Point University\* Hillsdale College\* Hofstra University\*

Houston Baptist University\* University of Houston\* Huston-Tillotson U. University of Illinois Iowa State University Ithica College\* University of Kansas Kansas State University\* Kenyon College Louisiana State University\* Lovola - Chicago Loyola - New Orleans Loyola Marymount Macalester College\* Manhattan College Massachusetts Institute of Technology\* Mary Baldwin University University of Mary Hardin-Bavlor U Mass - Amherst U Mass - Boston Massachusetts College of Art & Design McGill University University of Miami\* Michigan State University Millsaps College University of Minnesota -Twin Cities Mississippi State University\* University of Mississippi\* University of Missouri -Columbia\*

Morehouse College University of Nebraska University of New Hampshire New York University\* North Carolina State University University of North Texas\* Northeastern University\* Northern Arizona State University\* Ohio State University\* Oklahoma State University\* University of Oklahoma\* University of Oregon\* Oregon State University Ottawa State University Ouachita Baptist University Pennsylvania State University\* University of Pennsylvania\* Pepperdine University University of Pittsburgh Prairie View A&M University\* Purdue University\* Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute\* Rhodes College\* Rice University\* University of Rochester\* Rollins College\* Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology\*

**Rutgers University** Sam Houston State University' Samford University Savannah College of Art & Design\* Seattle University\* Seton Hall University University of the South\* Southern Methodist University' Southwestern University\* St. Edwards University\* Stanford University\* Texas A&M University\* Texas Christian University\* Texas State University\* Texas Tech University\* UT - Austin\* UT - Dallas\* UT - San Antonio\* Trinity University\* Tulane University\* University of St. Thomas\* Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University University of Virginia\* Wake Forest University Washington & Lee University University of Washington\* Worcester Polytechnic Institute Wyoming Catholic College\* Yale University\*

#### SAT & ACT DATA