

PROFILE 2007/2008

Mission Statement

Saint James is an independent, 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.



Saint James School

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The High School

Saint James School is an independent, nonsectarian, college preparatory, coeducational day school founded in 1955. The Pre-Kindergarten through 12 unit school is located across from the Alabama Shakespeare Festival in the state capital. Enrollment for the 2007-2008 school year is approximately 1,125.

- College preparatory curriculum
- 100% of graduates receive college acceptance
- Full range of electives
- Advanced Placement course offerings
- National Merit finalists and semi-finalists each year
- Outstanding college counseling and college tours
- AP Scholars every year
- Thirty-nine athletic teams
- Award-winning visual and performing arts
- Nationally competitive forensic teams
- Nationally competitive academic teams
- Community service involvement and service clubs

Faculty

The Saint James School faculty consists of 99 professional staff members; 57 percent of these members have advanced degrees; and two members hold doctoral degrees.

Accreditation/Memberships

Saint James School is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. It holds membership in the Southern Association of Independent Schools, the National Association of Independent Schools, the Alabama Association of Independent Schools, the Southern Association for College Admission Counselors, the National Association for College Admission Counselors, the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education, 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 ethic.

High School Core Courses and Electives

English English I Advanced English I English II Advanced English II English III AP English Language and Composition English IV AP English Literature and Composition Literature and Community I, II Journalism: Yearbook I, II, III, IV Journalism: Newspaper I, II, III, IV	Mathematics Algebra I Geometry Algebra II Algebra II with Trigonometry Algebra III with Trigonometry Pre-Calculus AP Calculus AB Statistics	Social Studies World History I Advanced World History I World History II AP European History American History AP United States History United States Government AP Government & Politics: US Macroeconomics AP Macroeconomics Philosophy & World Religions The Middle Ages/History of England Conflicts in U.S. History: 1945-Present Psychology
Science Physical Science Biology Advanced Biology Environmental Science Anatomy and Physiology Physics Chemistry AP Chemistry AP Biology with Lab Class	Foreign Language Spanish I, II, III, IV French I, II, III, IV Latin I, II, III, IV	Computer Computer Applications Computer Programming Advanced Computer
	Physical Education Physical Education Competitive Fitness	Health Health
Visual Arts I, II, III AP Studio Art: Drawing with Lab Class AP Art History* Photography I, II Instrumental Music I, II, III, IV (Marching & Concert Band)	Fine Arts Electives Chorus I, II, III, IV Music Survey Music Theory Vocal/Piano Performance Competitive Speech & Debate	Theater Arts I, II Technical Theater I, II Theater Production
Interpersonal Relations Youth Leadership Senior Field Study	Other Electives Science Lab Assistant Library Assistant Elementary Assistant Office Assistant	Study Hall (Non-Credit) Senior Study Hall (Non-Credit)

*In conjunction with the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts

High School Information

General Diploma

For a general diploma, the student must pass 24 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	3 units
Foreign Language	2 units (At least two years of the same language is required.)
Physical Education	1 unit
Computer	1/2 unit
Fine Arts	1 unit
Health	1/2 unit
Electives	4 units

Honors Diplomas

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 two additional Carnegie units;
- Earn a minimum GPA of 3.8 (AP classes are weighted.);
- Complete five elective units (One of these must be in the third year of a foreign language: Spanish III, French III, or Latin III. The third and fourth credits for the honors diploma must be from the following courses: chemistry, physics, AP Biology (counts as only one credit), AP Chemistry, or anatomy/physiology);
- Complete four semesters of Advanced Placement courses;
- Complete two semesters at Saint James 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.

Advanced Course Offerings

World History I & II
Freshman English
Sophomore English
Biology
Computer

Advanced Placement Courses

European History, U.S. History, U.S. Politics and Government (Semester Course), Macroeconomics (Semester Course), English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Studio Art, Art History (with the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts)

Grading Scale

A =	100-90
B =	89-80
C =	79-70
D =	69-64
F =	63 and below

Class of 2007 Profile

Saint James School does not assign class rank.

◆Summary Testing Profiles

	Mean	Range
ACT Composite	24.8	18-33
SAT Critical Reading	605	480-780
SAT Math	609	450-720
SAT Writing	609	450-800

◆ACT Score Quintile Distribution

Sector of Class	Distribution
Top 20 percent	29-33
Second	25-29
Third	23-25
Fourth	22-23
Fifth	18-21

◆SAT Score Quintile Distribution

Sector of Class	Reading	Math	Writing
Top 20 percent	650-780	680-720	690-800
Second	630-640	650-670	640-670
Third	600-620	620-640	610-630
Fourth	540-590	540-610	550-580
Fifth	480-520	450-520	450-510

◆GPA Quintile Distribution

Sector of Class	GPA Distribution
Top 20 percent	4.22-3.75
Second	3.73-3.49
Third	3.44-3.19
Fourth	3.17-2.94
Fifth	2.90-2.36

◆National Merit Scholarship Competition

2 Finalists, 2 Commended

◆AP Scholars

AP Scholar Designation: 12
AP Scholar with Honors Designation: 3
AP Scholar with Distinction Designation: 2

Institutions Accepting Saint James Graduates

Air Force Academy	George Washington University	Ohio State University
University of Alabama, Birmingham	Grambling State University	Oglethorpe University
University of Alabama, Huntsville	University of Georgia	Oklahoma Christian University
University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa	Georgia Institute of Technology	Oxford College
American University	Grinnell College	Oxford University, England
Appalachian State University	Hampden-Sydney College	Pepperdine University
Arizona State University	Harvard University	Presbyterian College
University of Arkansas	Hollins College	Princeton University
Auburn University	Huntingdon College	Purdue University
Auburn University Montgomery	Indiana University	Rhodes College
Bates College	Jacksonville State University	Rice University
Baylor University	Judson College	Rutgers College
Belhaven College	University of Kentucky	Saint Lawrence University
Belmont University	University of Kansas	Saint Louis University
Birmingham-Southern College	Kettering University	Samford University
Boston College	Lamar University	Savannah College of Art and Design
Boston University	Liberty University	So. Union State Community College
Brevard College	Lipscomb University	University of Southern California
Brown University	Lock Haven University	University of Southern Mississippi
California State Polytechnic Institute	Louisiana State University	University of the South: Sewanee
Case-Western Reserve	University of Louisiana-Lafayette	University of South Alabama
The Citadel	Loyola University	University of South Florida
Clemson University	Maryville College	University of South Carolina
College of Charleston	University of Massachusetts	Spring Hill College
College of William & Mary	University of Miami	Stanford University
Colorado School of Mines	Millsaps College	SweetBriar College
University of Colorado	Mercer University	University of Tennessee
Columbia University	Middlebury College	University of Texas
Creighton University	Mississippi College	Troy State University
Culinary Institute of America	University of Mississippi	Tulane University
Dartmouth College	Mississippi State University	Tuskegee University
Davidson College	University of Missouri	University of Virginia
University of Delaware	University of Mobile	United States Military Academy
Duke University	University of Montevallo	United States Naval Academy
Elon College	Mount Holyoke College	Vanderbilt University
Emory University	University of Nebraska	Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Emory & Henry University	University of North Alabama	Wake Forest University
Faulkner University	University of North Carolina	Washington and Lee University
Florida Atlantic University	North Carolina School for the Arts	Washington University
Florida State University	Northern Arizona University	Wesleyan College of North Carolina
University of Florida	University of Notre Dame	Wesleyan University
Furman University	Northwestern University	West Point Military Academy
Georgetown University	Oberlin College	Western Michigan University



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