School Mission and Values

Collegiate is an independent JK-12 college preparatory, coeducational school located west of Richmond and founded in 1915. Our mission is to create a diverse and inclusive community of learners committed to a challenging and supportive educational experience that will foster the intellectual, moral, emotional, and physical development of each student. The essence of the school is embodied in the phrase “Minds that seek. Hearts that serve.” and is dedicated to these shared values: Honor, Love of Learning, Excellence, Respect and Community. Our commitment to be a diverse school community is founded in our core philosophy, values and purpose. We aspire to create an inclusive environment that promotes engaged citizenship and encourages compassionate leadership.

Enrollment

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<td>Upper</td>
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Accreditation

- AdvanceED
- Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS)
- Virginia Association of Independent Schools (VAIS)

Admission and Aid

Competitive (retention rate is 97% JK-12), emphasizing strength in both scholarship and character.
Finance assistance budget exceeds $4 million.

COVID-19 Impact

Prior to the end of the third marking period (March 2020), Collegiate shifted fully to remote learning, largely synchronously via Zoom, for the rest of the spring semester, and all extra-curricular activities were canceled. Guided by three paradigms — community, wellness, and intellectual engagement/ skill-building — instruction and assessment continued to reflect the rigorous demands of our curriculum, and our grading system remained unchanged. Returning to in-person school in the fall of 2020, Collegiate will offer simultaneous remote instruction to students who need it and can shift fully to remote learning as conditions dictate.

Transcript Legend

- School does not provide rank
- G.P.A. Weighted (+ 0.5 for Honors/AP), cumulative based on 6 semesters
- Credits Yearlong courses = 1.0, sem. courses = 0.5, year consists of 2 sem.
- Course Load 5 minimum, 5 core recommended/average, 7 max. (almost never allowed)
- # of AP/Honors 18 AP & 39 Honors courses offered (excluding Honors English designation)
- Block Schedule No
- % Accepted at 100
- Most Demanding Courses All AP Courses (AP not offered in English, U.S. History and the Arts)
  - Honors English – available only in 11th /12th
  - Honors U.S. History (AP available for class of 2022)
  - Honors Studio Art, Honors Music, Honors Theatre, Honors Dance
  - Honors Math Modeling, Honors Advanced Geometry, Honors Multivariable Calculus, Honors Linear Algebra

Important Curriculum Notes

- **AP/Honors**: Enrollment limited by student’s load and qualifications, prerequisites and # of sections. Students are discouraged from taking more than 2-3 per year, and most AP’s are not available until junior/senior years. Students enrolled in an AP course must sit for the exam.

- **English**: AP is not offered. Honors designation available for junior/senior electives only; prerequisite of A- English average, includes substantial independent reading, research, writing and culminating project requirements.

- **Science**: AP/Honors restricted heavily by math level – for instance, Honors Physics placement typically requires concurrent enrollment in Honors Pre Calculus or higher.

- **Senior Capstone**: Required of all seniors this semester academic class receives .5 history credit and places classroom learning in real-life context, focusing on student contribution and connection to the world.

Co-Curriculum Highlights

- Student-Run Honor Code
- Community Service Program
- Vibrant Visual & Performing Arts
- Competitive Athletics
  - 2-season requirement
  - Frequent league /state titles
- Global Education Focus & Initiatives
  - 15 International partner schools
  - Emerging Leaders Conference

Summer Courses

A limited # of courses are offered over the summer for credit in English, History, Math, Science and H & W, taught at the same level of rigor / expectations, by the same teachers, as during the year and are marked with (SS) on the transcript. In some cases, it may look as if a senior is only taking one semester of English due to a prior summer course.
Course Offerings (* denotes semester course)

**Mathematics (3 credits required)**
- Algebra I & Algebra II
- Honors Algebra II
- Geometry, Honors Geometry & Trigonometry
- Pre-Calculus, Honors Pre-Calculus
- Calculus, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC
- AP Statistics
- Honors Math Modeling
- Honors Advanced Geometry
- Honors Linear Algebra
- Honors Multivariable Calculus
- Statistics & Applied Math

**Science (3 credits required)**
- Biology (lab), Honors Biology (lab)
- Chemistry (lab), Honors Chemistry (lab)
- Physics (lab) (placement by math level)
- Honors Physics (lab) (placement by math level)
- AP Biology (lab)
- AP Chemistry (lab)
- AP Computer Science Principles (lab)
- AP Environmental Science (lab)
- AP Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism (lab)
- AP Physics C: Mechanics (lab)
- AP Physics I
- Advanced Programming in Java* (lab)
- Biology II* (lab)
- Ecology* (lab)
- Engineering & Robotics* (lab)
- Expeditions: Astronomy and History*
- Forensics* (lab)
- Human Anatomical Systems I* and II* (lab)
- Marine Biology* (lab)
- Programming for Mobile Devices* (lab)

**World Language (3 credits required)**
- French I – IV, Honors French II – V
- Honors Latin II – V
- Mandarin Chinese I – IV, Honors Mandarin Chinese II – IV
- Spanish I – IV, Honors Spanish II – V
- AP Chinese Language
- AP French Language
- AP Latin
- AP Spanish Language

**History (3.5 credits required)**
- Honors Hidden RVA*
- Honors 21st Century World Stage*
- Contemporary World History
- World History, Rise of East to WWII
- History of England*
- Expeditions: Astronomy and History*
- Honors History: Gender and Society*
- Honors U.S. History: Race, Culture & Sport*
- History: Rise of the Dictators*
- Honors History: The 1970s*
- Honors History: Middle East*
- U.S. History Survey, Honors U.S. History Survey
- AP Economics (Micro* & Macro*)
- AP U.S. Government and Politics
- AP Comparative Government*
- Sr. Capstone: Global/Civic Engagement*

**Fine Arts (1 credit required)**
- Architecture: Residential Design*
- Drawing I – II*, Painting I – II*
- Ceramics I – III*, Sculpture I – II*, 3-D Design I – II*
- Honors Design for Publication*, Printmaking*
- Design for Publication (formerly Torch/Yearbook)*
- Digital Media Arts I – II*
- Fine Craft Furniture I – II*
- Fundamentals of Photography*
- Intermediate Photography*, Honors Photography*
- Honors Studio Art (akin to AP Studio Art in its yearlong demands)
- Filmmaking & Video Editing*
- Acting I – III*, Technical Theater & Design*
- Theater Ensemble*, Theater Production*, Honors Theater
- Dance Technique*, Dance Performance*
- Dance Company, Honors Dance Company
- Chorus (year = 0.5 credit)
- Orchestra (year = 0.5 credit or 1 credit)
- Jazz Band/Org/Chorus
- Jazz Band/Guitar/Guitar/Org/Chorus
- Honors Music (Choral or Instrumental)*
- Camera* (audition-only a cappella)
- Guitar Ensemble* (year = 0.5 credit)
- Private Lessons (year = 0.25 credit)

**English (4 credits required)**
- English 9 & 10
- English 11* & 12* – semester offerings below:

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- African American Literature
- American Noir Literature
- American & British Travel Literature
- British Literature
- Composition Study
- Fiction Workshop
- Literature & Film Classics – Moments of Choice
- Literature of the Apocalypse
- Literature of the Wild West
- Modern Drama
- Modern World Literature
- Multi-Ethnic American Literature
- Nomads, Pilgrims, Exiles
- Poetry Intensive
- Poetry Workshop
- Reading/Writing Film
- Rhetoric & Composition
- Russian Literature
- Sacred Texts as Literature
- Satire
- Scandinavian Literature
- Science, Nature, Spirit, Soul
- Shakespeare
- Studies in the Novel
- Technology & Literature
- The Anti-Hero in Literature
- The Fine Art of Anarchy
- The Postmodern Novel
- Technology and Literature
- What Do I Know? Explorations in Creative Non-fiction
- Women's Literature
- Writing for Publication

Honors designation offered to qualified students for each of the above semester offerings.

Courses not in GPA
Health & Wellness, Private Lessons

Other
- (2.5 academic electives required in addition to the required below)
- Comparative World Religion* (required)
- Torch /Yearbook/ Journalism*
Health & Wellness I* (required)
- Driver Education* (required)

Independent Study

College Enrollment 2017-20

- Emory (2)
- Fordham
- Franklin & Marshall (3)
- Furman (2)
- George Mason
- George Washington (5)
- Georgetown (4)
- Georgia Inst. of Technology (2)
- Gettysburg (2)
- Goucher
- Hampden-Sydney (4)
- Harvard
- High Point (3)
- Howard
- James Madison (39)
- Lafayette (5)
- Liberty (2)
- Loyola University Maryland
- Marymount
- McGill (Canada)
- Miami U. (Ohio)
- Middletown (2)
- Montana State
- New York U. (4)
- North Carolina State (10)
- Northwestern (2)
- Occidental
- Oklahoma City U. (2)
- Old Dominion (6)
- Pennsylvania State U. (3)
- Point Park U. (2)
- Pratt Institute
- Princeton (4)
- Purdue
- Randolph-Macon (5)
- Regent
- Rhodes
- Roanoke
- Rollins (2)
- Saint Joseph’s U
- Savannah Coll. Art & Design
- Sciences Po-Columbia (France)
- Sewanee (4)
- Skidmore
- Southern Methodist U. (4)
- Stanford
- SUNY Purchase
- Syracuse
- Texas Christian U. (2)
- Tulane (5)
- U.S. Military Academy
- U.S. Naval Academy
- Alabama (12)
- U. of the Arts London
- U. California Berkeley (3)
- U. California Los Angeles (3)
- U. Chicago (2)
- U. Colorado Boulder (8)
- U. Delaware (2)
- U. Florida
- U. Georgia (14)
- U. Illinois
- U. Louisville
- U. Maryland (2)
- U. Mary Washington (2)
- U. Miami (3)
- U. Michigan (8)
- U. Mississippi (2)
- U. North Carolina at Chapel Hill (7)
- U. North Carolina, Charlotte
- U. Pennsylvania
- U. Richmond (11)
- U. San Diego
- U. South Carolina (23)
- U. Southern California
- U. St. Andrews (Scotland)
- U. Tampico
- U. Tennessee (2)
- U. Texas at Austin
- U. Virginia (73)
- U. Washington
- Vanderbilt (6)
- Van Hall Larenstein U. (Netherlands)
- Virginia Commonwealth U. (12)
- Virginia Commonwealth Institute (3)
- Virginia Tech (41)
- Wake Forest (11)
- Washington & Lee (8)
- Washington U. in St. Louis (3)
- West Virginia U.
- Williams
- Yale (2)