Deeply committed to intellectual freedom and academic excellence, St. Stephen’s offers a distinctive curriculum that allows students to explore individual interests while developing skills in critical analysis, reasoned discourse and persuasive writing. Students enjoy a personalized learning experience thanks to small class sizes and faculty who are committed to knowing each student as a unique individual inside and outside the classroom.

“I felt that St. Stephen’s prepared me well for what I faced freshman year at a liberal arts college. Being able to write and express yourself in a clear and concise way is the most beneficial skill you can have as you start college.”

Mallika Rao ’16 - Graduate of Rhodes College
Students also explore their interests and pursue their passions through a wide array of extracurricular opportunities and special programs. These range from athletic and fine arts, to student clubs, service learning and outdoor education activities. Students enrolled in our Soccer Academy, Tennis Academy or Theatre Focus program follow the school’s college preparatory curriculum while receiving highly specialized training in their fields of interest.

“At St. Stephen’s, I learned to manage my time and commitments, including taking a rigorous course load and being part of the Soccer Academy. The school did a very good job of preparing me to be a college student-athlete at the U.S. Air Force Academy.”

Julian Flores ’16 - Graduate of U.S. Air Force Academy

Students enrolled in our Boarding Program participate in a variety of events and activities during the week and on weekends. These include dorm competitions, pool parties, Sunday Night Treats and dinners at the head of school’s house on campus, as well as movies, dining, shopping and cultural excursions in Austin, ranked “#1 Place to Live” by U.S. News & World Report.

“Our International Program team is committed to supporting our international students in all areas of school life, including academics, athletics and the arts, as well as health and wellness. They provide a range of services and resources to ensure these students thrive socially and academically at St. Stephen’s and are prepared to achieve their college and career goals when they graduate.

“As a boarding student at St. Stephen’s, I’ve made friendships with people from all over the world. We’ve learned many things about each other — from our languages and the meals we like to cook to other aspects of our cultures.”

Peyton Burgess - 11th Grade Boarding Student
St. Stephen’s students come from 25 Texas cities, nine states and 13 countries. Approximately 30 percent of our domestic students are people of color, and 19 percent of our students come from outside the United States. By interacting with classmates from other cultures and backgrounds both inside and outside the classroom, our students learn to see the world through the lenses of others. This helps them develop a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing our world along with a stronger connection to others and commitment to service.

At the same time, St. Stephen’s cultivates a safe, supportive environment where students become the best version of themselves by learning to take risks, make mistakes and grow from their experiences as members of a loving community.

“St. Stephen’s is very good at developing well-rounded students. Teachers encouraged me and my classmates to apply our knowledge to life outside of the classroom and supported us when we chose to take risks.”

Isaac Tilin ’18 - Class of 2018 Commencement Speaker, Alumnus

Check out what students and faculty have to say about their St. Stephen’s Experience.
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