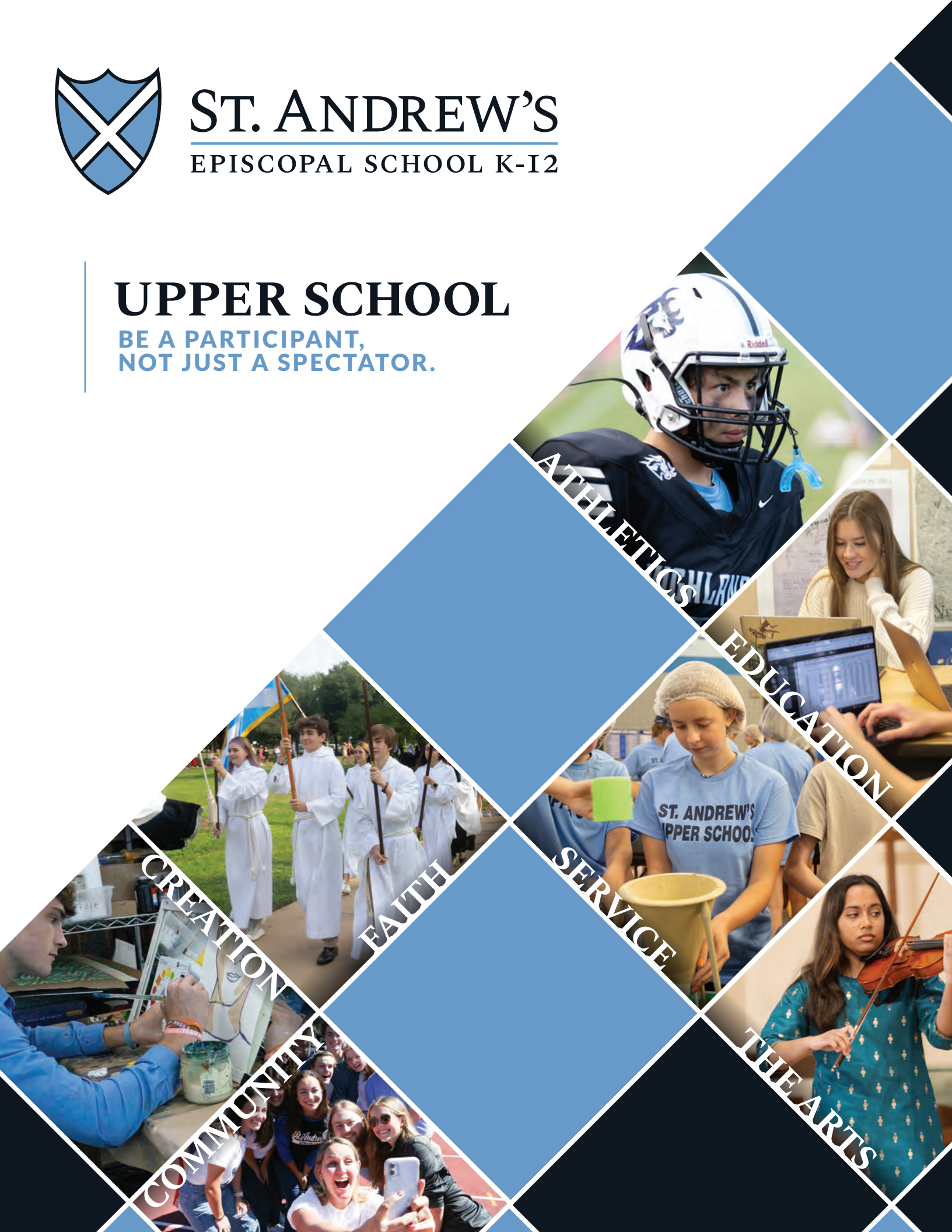
ST. ANDREW'S
EPISCOPAL SCHOOL K-12

UPPER SCHOOL

BE A PARTICIPANT, NOT JUST A SPECTATOR.



FAST FACTS

400 students

Average class size is 16 students

47 different zip codes represented

25 different religious denominations are represented and students are 29% racially diverse

Over $1.5M awarded for need-based financial aid annually
Average award is over $17K and 17% of students receive financial aid

20 Humanities courses including: AP Comparative Government, Creative Writing, Cultural Studies, AP U.S. Government and Politics, and Religious Studies

26 Fine Arts courses including: Acting, Filmmaking, Rock Band, and Strings Orchestra

16 Science courses including: Engineering, Anatomy and Physiology, Forensics, and AP Environmental Science

23 Varsity and 16 JV athletic teams including: Football, Field Hockey, Basketball, Swimming, Softball, Soccer, and Baseball

Designated Center for Innovation with 3-D printers, laser engraver, drone zone, and more

85 full- and part-time faculty; 57% with advanced degrees, including 10 Ph.D.s

Average faculty teaching experience of 22 years with an average of 8 years at St. Andrew's

Advisory program has a 9:1 student to advisor ratio with daily group time, encouraging student connection and community participation

Minimum of 40 hours of Community Service hours required for graduation.
Servant distinction awarded at graduation for over 100 hours

Student, Parent, Advisor conferences held in fall and spring

Over 100 college representatives visit campus annually, 100% of students are accepted to college

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

9TH GRADE TRANSITION AND FRESHMAN SEMINAR

At St. Andrew's, we thoughtfully consider the transition from middle school to high school and put into place specific events that will help our students settle in smoothly. Events in the spring bring together incoming 9th grade students and their parents. At the start of the year and throughout the first semester, 9th graders are engaged and working with our student leaders and ambassadors, advisors, and specific administrators. All 9th graders participate in a year-long Freshman Seminar, which is designed to promote the exploration of individual and community wellness. Wellness includes all aspects of being: physical, social, mental, emotional, and environmental. Students will learn to navigate difficult conversations and recognize, understand and embrace differences within our own community.

RETREATS

Each year at the Upper School begins with a two-day, grade-level retreat. The agenda for each retreat is tailored to the specific grade level, covering themes and introducing ideas that will be beneficial to those students throughout the year. Team-building, health and wellness topics, and relationship development are all incorporated in these retreats.

ADVISORY

- The advisory program provides a developmentally intentional progression of support for students
- Advisors provide care and guidance for a group of 9 students
- Advisors strive to affirm and strengthen the unique growth path of each student
- As the primary communication link between the parent and school, the advisor partners with families and offers guidance in how to support their student's growth and independence

SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING (SEL)

SEL at the Upper School is a continuation of a student's process of self-awareness, culminating in an emphasis on service to the community. Skills such as stress management, decision-making, time management, advocacy, and gratitude are discussed through student-led advisory activities. As students mature and develop, they are asked to reflect on the question, "How can I serve my peers and the greater community with my talents and skills?" Leadership and mentoring opportunities allow our Upper School students the opportunity to practice and develop these relational skills.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS (CONT.)

DIVERSITY, EQUITY INCLUSION AND BELONGING (DEIB)

DEIB initiatives at St. Andrew's are informed by a variety of factors: student programming, hiring and personnel, institutional policy, professional development, curriculum, and more. Each piece of our program allows the community—students, faculty, parents, staff, and administrators—to experience our mission in very real and tangible ways. Our increasingly multicultural and pluralistic community has learned that we can grow stronger only as we evolve and make steady progress towards our goals and ambitions.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Community service is at the heart of our school. The opportunity to engage in meaningful service allows students to see the impact they can have on the world around them and develop into strong, caring members of society. Students are offered service opportunities on campus, through service trips, and optional weekend events around Austin.

SENIOR PROJECT

St. Andrew's strongly believes that experiences outside the classroom are impactful and important too, especially as our seniors prepare for college and the world beyond. The St. Andrew's Senior Project gives our students the opportunity to venture into the community and follow a dream, create a work of art, learn more about an area of interest or a career, or work in the service of others for the month preceding graduation.

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN INDEPENDENT EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

- Daily chapel for grades 9-12
- Interfaith worship
- Messages of justice, peace, and understanding
- Honor the unique worth and beauty of all human beings
- Guide students to build lives of genuine purpose, meaning, and service

THE JOURNEY TO COLLEGE

Just as you are looking for a great match for your child in high school, we aim to help students find great matches for college. Our college counseling program is personal and emphasizes thoughtfulness, time management, and student ownership of the process. Some of the program highlights are:

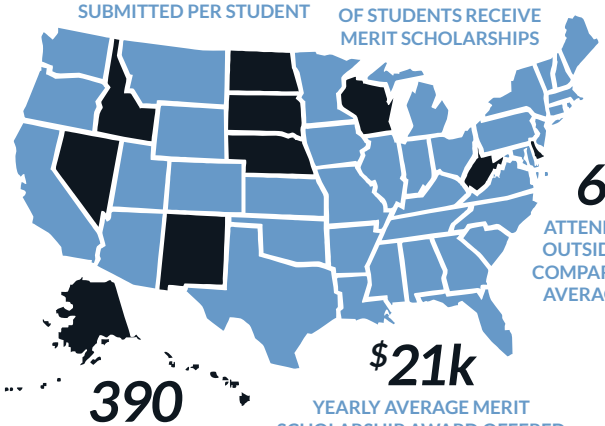
- Grade-level specific advisory based lessons for 9-11 graders focused on:
  - Types of Colleges
  - Creating Resumes
  - Researching Colleges
- College Preview Program for parents of 8th and 9th graders
- College Admissions Panel for 9th and 10th graders and their parents
- PSAT for 10th and 11th graders
- College Night and individual student meetings with college counselors beginning in fall of junior year
- Application JumpStart and Essay Workshop during the summer before 12th grade
- Meetings with student's college counselor during advisory of 12th grade
- Essay Editing Day and College Interview Prep for seniors
- Financial Aid Workshop for parents of seniors
- Countdown to College Series for seniors
- Over 100 college reps visit St. Andrew's each year
- 10:1 student to college counselor ratio

COLLEGE STATS FOR CLASSES OF 2018–2022

(AVERAGES OVER 5 YEARS)

9
AVERAGE NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED PER STUDENT

55%
OF STUDENTS RECEIVE MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS



67%
ATTEND COLLEGES OUTSIDE OF TEXAS COMPARED TO STATE AVERAGE OF 13.8%

390
DIFFERENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ACCEPTED OUR STUDENTS OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS

$21k
YEARLY AVERAGE MERIT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD OFFERED TO ST. ANDREW'S STUDENTS

**Blue indicates states where SAS students have enrolled in college.*

CLASS OF 2022 HIGHLIGHTS

21%
ARE PURSUING A MAJOR IN STEM

64
COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED BY CLASS OF 2022

12%
ARE PURSUING MAJORS IN THE ARTS

COLLEGE MATRICULATION—CLASSES OF 2018–2022

American University (5)
Arizona State University
Art Center College of Design
Auburn University (3)
Austin Community College (3)
Babson College
Bard College
Baylor University (9)
Belmont University (7)
Bentley University
Berklee College of Music
Boston College
Boston University (2)
Bowdoin College
Brown University (4)
California Polytechnic State University-San Luis Obispo (7)
Carleton College (2)
Carnegie Mellon University
Carroll College
Centre College (2)
Chapman University (4)
Claremont McKenna College (3)
Clemson University (3)
Colby College
College of Charleston (2)
Colorado College (2)
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University (4)
Columbia University
Creighton University
Dartmouth College (2)
Davidson College
DePaul University (3)
Duke University
Eckerd College
Elon University (2)
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Emerson College (2)
Emory University
Emory University-Oxford College
Florida Atlantic University
Fordham University
Furman University
George Washington University
Georgetown University (2)
Georgia Institute of Technology (5)
Gordon College
Hamilton College
Harvard University (2)
Haverford College
Hendrix College
Holy Cross College
Indiana University-Bloomington (2)
Johns Hopkins University (2)
Kenyon College
Lafayette College
Lamar University
Lehigh University
Leiden University College The Hague
Lewis & Clark College (2)
Louisiana State University (3)
Loyola Marymount University (3)
Loyola University Chicago (2)
Make-up Designory-Los Angeles
Marist College
Maryland Institute College of Art (2)
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Miami University, Oxford
Michigan State University
Middlebury College (2)
Millikin University
Mississippi State University
New York University (8)
Northeastern University (3)
Northwestern University (3)
Oberlin College
Occidental College
Ohio State University (2)
Oregon State University
Pace University, New York City Campus
Pepperdine University (4)
Pitzer College
Pomona College
Pratt Institute (2)
Princeton University
Purdue University (4)
Reed College (2)
Regent's University London
Rhodes College (7)
Rice University (6)
Saint Edward's University (6)
Santa Clara University
Savannah College of Art & Design
Seattle University
Smith College (3)
Southern Methodist University (14)
Southwestern University (3)
St Olaf College
St. John's College
St. Lawrence University
Stanford University (2)
Stephen F Austin State University
Syracuse University (4)
Texas A&M University-College Station (14)
Texas Christian University (18)
Texas State University (5)
Texas Tech University (2)
The American University of Paris
The New School (3)
The University of Alabama
The University of Edinburgh (2)
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
The University of Tampa
The University of Texas at Austin (61)
The University of Texas at San Antonio (4)
The University of the South (4)
Trinity University (12)
Tufts University (4)
Tulane University (11)
United States Military Academy
United States Naval Academy
University College Dublin
University of Arizona
University of Arkansas (4)
University of California-Berkeley (3)
University of California-Davis
University of California-Los Angeles (4)
University of California-San Diego (2)
University of Chicago (3)
University of Cincinnati - College Conservatory of Music (2)
University of Colorado Boulder (14)
University of Denver (3)
University of Exeter
University of Georgia (7)
University of Iowa
University of Kansas (2)
University of Miami (2)
University of Michigan (4)
University of Mississippi (3)
University of North Texas (2)
University of Oklahoma (2)
University of Oregon (8)
University of Pennsylvania
University of Puget Sound
University of Redlands
University of San Francisco (2)
University of Southern California (5)
University of St Andrews
University of Utah
University of Virginia (6)
University of Washington (4)
University of Waterloo
Vanderbilt University (5)
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Wake Forest University (3)
Washington University in St Louis (2)
Wellesley College
Wesleyan University (3)
Wheaton College - Massachusetts
Williams College
Wyoming Catholic College
Yale University

**Additional information available at http://www.sasaustin.org/College*

St. Andrew's Experience

SCHOLAR William S.

Grade Started at SAS: 1st Grade
Previous School: All Saints Preschool
Athletics: Cross Country, Soccer, Track
Clubs/Councils/Leadership: Chapel Advisory Board, Honor Council, Latin Club, Master Keys
Favorite SAS Tradition: Senior Homilies

ARTIST August N.

Grade Started at SAS: 9th Grade
Previous School: Miramonte High school
Athletics: Swim Team, Water Polo (independent)
Clubs: Latin Club, Speech and Debate, Coalition for the Environment
Favorite SAS tradition: Processing around campus, with the bagpipes playing on the first day of school.

ATHLETE Emily G.

Grade Started at SAS: 9th Grade
Previous School: Trinity Episcopal School
Athletics: Field Hockey, Basketball, Lacrosse
Clubs/Councils/Leadership: Athletic Council, Bridge Advisors, Chapel Advisory Board, Blue Key Ambassadors, Cheese Club, Games Games Games, Aware Awake Alive, Empowering Women of Our World, Golf Club
Favorite SAS tradition: Dig Pink. I love this event because of the incredible amount of student support and participation.

ATHLETE Anthony T.

Grade Started at SAS: 6th grade
Previous School: Casis Elementary
Athletics: Football, Basketball, Lacrosse
Clubs/Councils/Leadership: Chapel Advisory Board, Coalition for the Environment, Football Captain, Select Choir
Favorite SAS tradition: Bagpipe procession on the first day of school

SERVANT Lucy W.

Grade Started at SAS: 9th Grade
Previous School: Trinity Episcopal School
Athletics: Field Hockey, Golf
Clubs/Councils/Leadership: Peer Mentors, Bridge Advisors, Sustainability Council, Service Council, Chapel Advisory Board
Favorite SAS Tradition: Junior step up day

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APPLICATION INFORMATION

For application information as well as links to the online application, please visit **sasaustin.org/apply**. Priority is given to applications received on or before January 25. After the deadline, applications are accepted on a rolling admission basis if space is available.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US!

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