ATLANTA GIRLS' SCHOOL

School Profile 2018-2019

Inspiring Girls to Lead Lives of Purpose

Atlanta Girls' School opened its doors in 2000 and is the only independent, nonsectarian, college-preparatory school for girls in the Atlanta metropolitan area. AGS provides a challenging college-preparatory program in a learning environment designed to foster the full potential of each student and to enable her to become a vital contributor to our complex global society.

CURRICULUM

AGS teaches girls to be world-class problem solvers. The curriculum and culture emerge from a distinct vision of what girls must learn individually and collectively to become thoughtful and capable leaders. We achieve this by using proven and emerging educational techniques tailored to how girls learn, integrating big-picture and collaborative thinking, and implementing leading-edge technologies. AGS girls develop a deeper sense of self, confidence grounded in competence, and the understanding that they are able and impelled to influence change in the world.

100% of AGS graduates are accepted to a four-year college or university.

STUDENTS

Atlanta Girls' School is committed to diversity of all types—cultural, racial, ethnic, religious, socioeconomic, and political—as well as diversity in thought, interests, and skills. AGS draws students from more than 100 feeder schools across greater Atlanta. Students of color make up approximately 40% of the student body.

FACULTY

AGS faculty members are passionate about educating girls in a single-sex environment. The relationship between teachers and students is central to the experience of an AGS student. AGS has 24 full-time and 2 part-time teachers. Our faculty has an average of 14 years of experience, and 65% hold advanced degrees.

ACCREDITATION

AGS is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools and the Southern Association of Independent Schools. AGS is a member of the National Association of Independent Schools, the National Coalition of Girls' Schools, the Georgia Independent School Association, and the Atlanta Area Association of Independent Schools.

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SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

AGS students have unprecedented access to real-world experiences:

- Internship Program (proposal, approval, and preparation process) for 2 customized, 70+ hours internships
- Mandatory Global Travel Program
- Student-driven and student-led community service opportunities
- STEAM-focused Winterim Program
- Exploration of self-advocacy, philanthropy, and service through 7-year EDLS Program (Education for the Development of Leadership and Service)

COLLEGE COUNSELING

We counsel all students to select a strong match between their interests and appropriate offerings at higher education institutions. In assessing college choices, each girl's talents, aspirations, and personality are important considerations.

2018-2019 Curricular Overview

IMPORTANT POLICIES

AGS operates on a two-semester schedule. AGS does not rank students, except for the identification of the valedictorian and salutatorian. Raw grades (without weighting) are shown on the transcript; for cumulative GPA calculation and selection of valedictorian and salutatorian, 6 percentage points are added to each AP grade prior to averaging.

Except for special circumstances, students are limited to 3 APs per year in their junior and senior years. The most rigorous curriculum consists of 5 AP courses over 4 years. Enrollment in AP and Honors courses are by permission only.

COURSE OFFERINGS

ENGLISH

English 9: Approaches to Lit. & Lang.
English 10: British Lit. & Writing
English 11: American Lit. & Writing
English 12: Literature & Ideas
AP English Language & Composition
AP English Literature & Composition

MATHEMATICS

Geometry
Honors Geometry
Algebra II
Honors Algebra II
Trigonometry and Pre-Calculus
Honors Trigonometry and Pre-Calc.
Algebra III*
Calculus
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics^

WORLD STUDIES

WS 9: World History
WS 10: The 20th Century & Today
WS 11: US History
Economics & Entrepreneurship
World Religions
AP US History
AP Human Geography
AP US Government^

SCIENCE

Conceptual Biology
Biology Methods H
Conceptual Chemistry
Chemistry Methods H
Conceptual Physics
AP Environmental Science
AP Chemistry
AP Biology
AP Physics
Computer Science Principles
AP Psychology^

LANGUAGES

French I, II, III, IV, V, AP French^
Spanish I, II, III, IV, AP Spanish^
Adv. Culture - French & Spanish

FINE ARTS

Chorus & Hurricane Choir
Composition & Media Foundations
Drawing
Painting
Ceramics/Wheel Throwing
Ceramics/Hand Building
Photography
Advanced Studio/Portfolio Prep
Intermediate & Adv. Theatrical Arts
Production Design
Directing
Resume and Audition Prep
Graphic Design
Literary Arts
Intermediate & Adv. Literary Arts
AP Art History^

FITNESS

Athletic Conditioning
PE & Wellness

ONLINE PROGRAMS

AGS is a member of the Online School for Girls (OSG), a consortium of schools offering superior online semester and yearlong courses to high school students. Juniors and seniors may choose to enroll in one or more of these courses. Course descriptions available at onlineschoolforgirls.org.

^ denotes OSG AP course
**** denotes course not offered in current academic year***

Total Honors offered in 2018-19: 5
Total APs offered in 2018-19: 10

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

4	English
3	World Studies
3	Math
3	Science
3	Language French, Spanish
2	Fine Arts
1	Physical Education
4	Electives
23	**Total Units**

2018-19 KEY STATISTICS

Total Enrollment	240
Upper School	140
Class of 2019	36
Upper School Teaching Faculty (FTE)	18
Upper School Teacher-Student Ratio	1:7
Upper School Average Class Size	16

CLASS OF 2018

ACT Score Ranges
(Middle 50%)

Composite	25-31

SAT Score Ranges*
(Middle 50%)

Evidence-Based Reading, Writing	610-720
Math	560-670
Total	1200-1390

**starting with March 2017 test*

AGS College Acceptances 2015 - 2018

** Indicates matriculation*

Agnes Scott College*
Alabama A&M University
Alabama State University
Albion College
Allegheny College
American University*
Auburn University*
Bard College
Becker College
Belmont University
Beloit College*
Benedict College
Berry College*
Birmingham-Southern College*
Boston College*
Boston University*
Brandeis University*
Bryn Mawr College*
Carleton College
Carleton University
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Centre College
Clark Atlanta University
Clark University*
Clemson University
College of Charleston
College of Coastal Georgia*
College of William and Mary
Colorado College
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Columbia College
Columbia College Chicago
Cornell College
Cornell University
Davidson College
Eckerd College
Elon University*
Emory University*
Fisk University
Flagler College
Florida A&M University*
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida Southern College
Florida State University*
Fordham University*
Franklin and Marshall College
Franklin University Switzerland
Furman University*
George Mason University
Georgia College*
Georgia Institute of Technology*
Georgia Southern University*
Georgia State University*
Gonzaga University
Goucher College
Grinnell College
Guilford College
Hampshire College
Hampton University*
Hendrix College
High Point University
Hofstra University
Hollins University
Howard University*
Illinois Institute of Technology
Indiana University at Bloomington*
Ithaca College*
James Madison University
Johns Hopkins University
Johnson & Wales University
Kalamazoo College
Kennesaw State University*
La Salle University
Lake Erie College
Lawrence University
Lehigh University
Lenoir-Rhyne University
Lesley University
Lewis & Clark College
Long Island University, Brooklyn
Long Island University, Post
Louisiana State University
Loyola Marymount University*
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University New Orleans*
Lynn University
Maryland Institute College of Art*
Mercer University*
Meredith College
Miami University, Oxford*
Michigan State University*
Mississippi State University
New College of Florida
New York University*
NC A&T State University
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
Oakwood University
Oberlin College of Arts & Sciences
Occidental College
Oglethorpe University*
Ohio Wesleyan University
Old Dominion University
Oregon State University
Oxford College of Emory University*
Pace University, NYC*
Pennsylvania State University
Pitzer College
Pratt Institute
Princeton University*
Purdue University
Queens University of Charlotte
Radford University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhodes College*
Rice University*
Roanoke College
Rollins College
Rutgers University
Samford University
San Francisco State University
Santa Fe College
Sarah Lawrence College*
Savannah College of Art and Design*
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Scripps College*
Sewanee: The University of the South*
Simmons College
Simon Fraser University
Skidmore College*
Southern Adventist University*
Spelman College*
St. John's University – Queens Campus*
St. Olaf College
Stetson University
Sweet Briar College
Syracuse University*
Temple University
Tennessee State University*
The American University in Paris
The College of Wooster*
The George Washington University*
The New School
The Ohio State University
The University of Alabama*
The University of Alabama at Birmingham*
The University of Georgia*
The University of Montana, Missoula*
The University of Tampa
The University of the Arts
The University of West Georgia*
Tufts University*
Tulane University
Tuskegee University
Union College*
United States Air Force Academy*
University of California, San Diego
University of Chicago
University of Colorado at Boulder*
University of Denver
University of Edinburgh
University of Florida
University of Illinois at Chicago
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Kentucky*
University of Maryland, Baltimore County
University of Miami*
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
University of Mississippi
University of Missouri Columbia
University of New Hampshire, Durham
University of North Carolina, Asheville
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill*
University of North Carolina, Charlotte
University of North Carolina, Greensboro
University of Notre Dame
University of Puget Sound
University of Redlands
University of Rhode Island
University of Rochester*
University of South Carolina
University of Southern California*
University of Tennessee, Chattanooga
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
University of Toronto*
University of Vermont*
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of Waterloo
University of Wisconsin, Madison
Ursinus College
Valdosta State University
Vanderbilt University*
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University*
Virginia Tech
Wake Forest University*
Warren Wilson College
Washington and Lee University
Washington University in St. Louis
Wesleyan College
Western Carolina University
Wheaton College MA
Wilfrid Laurier University
Williams College
Wingate University
Winthrop University*
Wofford College*
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Xavier University of Louisiana
York University
Young Harris College

Portrait of an AGS Graduate

The purpose of the educational program at Atlanta Girls' School is to instill in students the strengths of character, competence, and reflection needed for them to lead full and productive lives and to be responsible citizens, ready to face the challenges the world will present. Together, these characteristics paint the Portrait of an AGS Graduate.

The Portrait guides our work and informs how we evaluate and structure all of our programs—from the classroom to the playing field and within the community. Teachers, coaches, club advisors, and administrators begin with the end in mind, with intentional and thoughtful attention to the Portrait.

Go Social with AGS
Dive deeper into the student and community experience at AGS:

CHARACTER

An Atlanta Girls' School graduate will be:

- Authentic—becomes fully one's self and fearless
- Compassionate—serves for the benefit of others
- Resilient—possesses courage and leads with confidence
- Ethical—acts with honor and integrity
- Generous—practices giving with a gracious attitude

COMPETENCE

An Atlanta Girls' School graduate possesses:

- Logic and Creativity—solves problems thoughtfully
- Communication—speaks publicly with confidence; expresses herself through writing
- Cultural Intelligence—understands global perspectives and values
- Collaborative Solutions—works effectively with others of diverse backgrounds
- Discernment and Prioritization—makes good decisions, personally and academically

REFLECTION

An Atlanta Girls' School graduate is:

- Self-Aware—understands the power and responsibility of her own voice
- Adaptive—persists and finds success through flexibility
- Responsive—advocates with an open mind and willingness to try
- Empathetic—cares deeply for others
- Healthy—exercises good choices for mind, body, and relationships