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Named 2021 Best Private School in the State of Georgia by readers of Georgia Business Journal

1 of 55

1 of 55 Mercy Schools in the world and the oldest Mercy school in the United States.

300

Average annual enrollment

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Student : Teacher Ratio Average Class Size is 15

100%

College acceptance rate and percentage of students participating in community service

over 13.000

hours of community service in 2021 - 2022

Mearly 50%
Students receiving financial aid

Number of Honors courses offered 13 AP courses offered at SVA

SCHOOL PROFILE

2022 - 2023

MISSION AND VALUES

Rooted In Catholic Faith And Mercy Traditions, St. Vincent's Academy (SVA) strives to foster a lifelong commitment to knowledge, faithful service, personal and spiritual growth. St. Vincent's boasts five core values including:

Collaboration: We recognize the richness of working together to accomplish our goals, acknowledging each person's unique gifts and our interdependence.

Compassion and Service: We empathize with all who are in pain, responding sensitively to their needs.

Concern for Women and Women's Issues: We support the growth and development of young women, encouraging them to recognize their gifts and their ability to achieve their full potential.

World Vision and Responsibility: We unite our efforts at responsible stewardship to those of all people, knowing that our actions affect all in our Global Village.

Spiritual Growth and Development: We cherish each person as the unique creation of a loving God, striving to promote religious values in an open, accepting atmosphere.

HISTORY

St. Vincent's Academy was founded in 1845 by the Sisters of Mercy as a day school, orphanage and boarding school on the corner of Lincoln and Liberty Streets in the heart of historic Savannah, Georgia. The school has physically expanded six times since. In 1919, St. Vincent's became exclusively dedicated to educating young women of high school age.

ACCREDITATION

- Accredited by Cognia (formerly AdvancEd)
- Accredited by Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS)
- Member of the Georgia Independent School Association (GISA)
- Member of the Georgia High School Association (GHSA)

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COLLEGE PLACEMENT TESTING

The average of the top 25% of SVA's Class of 2022 and 2023 performed as follows.

- ACT Top 25% Score = 27.8
- PreACT Top 25% Score = 25.7
- SAT Top 25% Score = 1291
- PSAT Top 25% Score = 1228

SVA GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 24 Carnegie Units is required for graduation from St. Vincent's Academy, with every student taking a minimum of six credits during a school year. The requirements for graduation are as follows:

English: 4 units Mathematics: 4 units Science: 4 units Social Studies: 4 unit Foreign Language: 3 units

Religion: 2 units

Physical Education: .5 unit

Health: .5 unit Computer: .5 unit Fine Arts: 1 unit Electives 1.5 units

GRADE POINT AVERAGE & CLASS RANK

SVA's grading scale is as follows:

A 90 - 100 B 80 - 89 C 70 - 79 F Below 70

Weighted Grades are calculated as follows: AP courses garner an extra 5 points; Honors courses garner an extra 3 points; Dual Enrollment courses garner an extra 5 points. Cumulative weighted grades are used to decipher class rank. GPA is calculated using only core course grades.

DUAL ENROLLMENT

- Dual enrollment classes are virtual with Georgia Southern University. Scheduled free periods are allotted for students to complete work.
- 2021-2022 academic year: 16% of the Junior/Senior class participated in the program. 95% of students earned college credit.
- 2022 2023 academic year: 11% of the Junior/Senior class are currently enrolled.
- Students attend an informational meeting to understand the application process and receive written parent approval.
- The Director of Curriculum confirms that the student meets standards for academic fitness and independent study.

AP/HONORS

- All students enrolled in an AP Class are required to complete AP Exams.
- Students must meet prerequisites and be recommended by a teacher to enroll in any AP course.
- In May of 2022, 119 students took AP Exams. A total of 216 exams were taken in 14 subjects. 60% of exams received scores of 3 or higher.
- 40% of students are currently enrolled in AP courses.

MATH:

Algebra 1 Honors Geometry Honors Algebra 2 Honors Pre-Calculus Honors AP Calculus AB AP Statistics

SCIENCE:

Biology 1 Honors

Chemistry Honors
Physics Honors
AP Physics*
AP Biology
AP Computer Science Principles

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AP Environmental Science

ENGLISH:

Literature and Composition Honors World Literature Honors British Literature Honors Pre – AP World Literature American Literature Honors AP Language & Composition AP English Literature & Composition

FOREIGN LANGUAGE:

Spanish 3 Honors Spanish 4 Honors Latin 3 Honors Latin 4 Honors French 3 Honors French 4 Honors

SOCIAL STUDIES:

World Geography Honors World History Honors US History Honors Government Honors AP Human Geography AP European History AP US History AP Government & Politics

FINE ARTS:

AP Studio Art: 2D-Design

*New classes offered in 2022 - 2023

CLASS OF 2022 HIGHLIGHTS

- The SVA Class of 2022 received over \$4,270,000 in scholarships.
- The Class of 2022 completed over 10,500 hours of community service during their four years at SVA. This class helped raise over \$85,000 towards school and community outreach during the 2021 - 2022 school year.
- Twenty-one of SVA's seniors were members of the National Honor Society, and forty-seven seniors in the class of 2022 took a total of 205 Advanced Placement courses over their 4 years at St. Vincent's Academy.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Students are required to perform a minimum of 20 hours of community service each academic year. These hours are meant to help the poor and less fortunate and to assist with projects in the local community. Most students go above and beyond the service requirements the school sets forth. Community service at SVA derives from the overall school philosophy, curriculum, programs and policies as each of these seeks to foster a vital faith community. The program includes an outreach to the Savannah area that helps the students develop commitment and skills in serving others. This work may be done through school, church, youth organization or individual interest. Some popular service partnerships include:

ATHLETICS

Basketball BC Cheerleading Beach Volleyball Cross Country Flag Football Golf One Act Play

Rifle

Sailing Softball Soccer Sport Shooting Swimming Tennis Track and Field Volleyball

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Campus Ministry
Chess Club
Chorus Club
Creative Writing
CURE Club
Eco Club
Fellowship of
Christian Athletes
Games Club
GA Youth Assembly
Investment Club
Mock Trial
Model UN

National Honor Society
Pet Lovers Club
PR/Media Club
Pleiades
Saints Spirit Club
Set Design Club
Sign Language Club
Spanish Club
Spring Musical
Student Council
Walking Club
Yearbook Club

Ronald McDonald House: This service provides for the family members of a child who is hospitalized long-term. SVA girls help clean and organize the homes and restock their pantry with snacks and drinks.

Prayer and Action: This is a Summer volunteer program where students help the local community by painting and repairing homes for the elderly, bringing food and supplies to those in need and cleaning yards.

America's Second Harvest Food Bank: Students help by donating food, packing boxes for families and filling backpacks for students who do not have food on the weekends.

Social Apostolate: Supporting the homeless community, SVA girls volunteer by finding out what needs they have each month and creating drives at school to collect these items and deliver them to the Social Apostolate.

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Seniors in the Class of 2022 were accepted to prestigious colleges and universities across the nation. Below are some of these schools.

Albany State University
Appalachian State University
Auburn University
Augusta University
Berry College
California State University Long Beach
Clemson University
College of Charleston
DePaul University
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
Fordham University

Georgia College and State University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia Southern University
Georgia State University
Kennesaw State University
Loyola University Chicago
Maine Maritime Academy
Mercer University
Pennsylvania State University
Rhodes College
Samford University

Texas A&M
University of Tennessee
University of Georgia
University of the South-Sewanee
Tulane University
University of California Irvine
University of Connecticut
University of North Georgia
University of San Diego
University of South Carolina
Wofford College