

BaylorLeads



2018-19 Profile + Admission Guide

Talented teachers, high academic standards, and the development of leadership skills in a co-ed environment are the hallmarks of a Baylor School education.



BAYLOR SCHOOL, founded in 1893, is an independent, coeducational boarding and day school in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

THE HONOR CODE is a core value instilled in students from the moment they enter the Baylor gates. The Founding Headmaster, John Roy Baylor, modeled his Honor Code after that of the University of Virginia, his alma mater. Today, thirteen students selected by the student body hear infractions of the code and determine consequences. They are guided by a faculty adviser. A seat on the Honor Council is considered the most important position of leadership within the student body.



OUR MISSION is to foster in our students both the ability and the desire to **make a positive difference in the world.**

ENROLLMENT

333 « 1,083 » 750

M.S. STUDENTS (GRADES 6-8)
168 BOYS/165 GIRLS

STUDENTS IN GRADES SIX THROUGH TWELVE

U.S. STUDENTS (GRADES 9-12)
361 BOYS/389 GIRLS

RESIDENTIAL LIFE

Adults in Baylor's residential life program live on campus and provide academic and social support. Baylor's Student Activities staff schedules events and activities throughout the week and weekends, giving students numerous opportunities to relax and enjoy the nearby shops, malls, restaurants, coffee shops, and world-class attractions like the Hunter Museum, the Riverwalk, or the Tennessee Aquarium.

200

BOARDERS FROM 23 STATES
AND 13 FOREIGN COUNTRIES
36 DORM PARENTS/ADVISERS

GLOBAL SCHOLARS

Global Scholars is Baylor's distinction for those who apply an international lens to their education by studying advanced world languages, taking globally-focused courses, participating in an exchange program with partner schools in seven different countries, and creating a digital portfolio for college admissions.

117

58 MEN/59 WOMEN
90 HOLD ADVANCED DEGREES
17 HOLD DOCTORATES

THE TEACHING FACULTY

Our teachers also serve as advisers, regularly interacting closely with students. Reflecting Baylor's commitment to ongoing professional development and life-long learning, our faculty members use the summer months for continuing education and enrichment programs that include travel abroad.

COLLEGE COUNSELING

Our College Counseling Office is staffed by three professional full-time college counselors who advise students on their post-secondary options.

GRADE POINT AVERAGES (GPA)

The cumulative GPA is calculated at the end of each semester. Advanced Placement (AP) courses receive an additional boost to the course grade (+4 points) as do Honors courses (+2 points). The grading scale is as follows: A = 90-100; B = 80-89; C = 70-79; D = 65-69; F = 64 or below. The minimum college recommending grade is 70.



THE ARTS

20+

ARTS COURSES TO SELECT FROM

8

FINE ARTS PERFORMANCES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, PLUS NUMEROUS ONE-ACTS IN THE QUAD.

Arts pervade the Baylor campus. Theater, music and dance, painting, drawing, sculpture, pottery, and photography are all available.

Since 2001, groups of Baylor students have traveled abroad to study art and immerse themselves in other cultures on the **Liz Aplin Art Trip**.

200

STUDENTS SERVE AS AFTER-SCHOOL TUTORS FOR KIDS AT INNER-CITY COMMUNITY CENTERS.

Community Service is the largest extracurricular activity on campus. Though led by an adult director, a leadership board composed of veteran student volunteers organizes and implements the program assisted by other student site leaders at each community center.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT



CLASS OF 2018

67% had a GPA of **3.5 or higher**



CLASS OF 2018

94% had a GPA **over 3.0**

Since 2009, Baylor has had

58

National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalists

In May 2017, 341 Baylor students took

772

Advanced Placement exams and scored **3 or higher on 88% of them.**

For the Class of 2018, the middle-50% score range has been:

23-30
ACT COMPOSITE

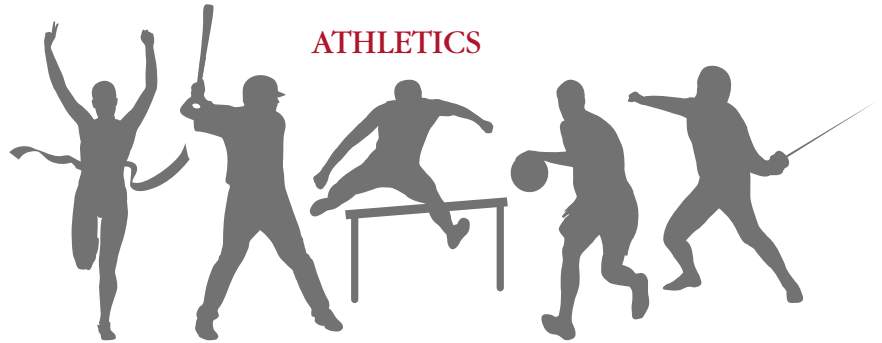
580-690
SAT EVIDENCE
BASED READING
AND WRITING

550-690
SAT MATH

1150-1390
SAT TOTAL



ATHLETICS



Athletics are an integral part of the Baylor experience.

While the Class of 2018 was in the Upper School, Baylor won the following State Championships:

BOYS

BASEBALL: '18
GOLF: '15
SOCCER: '18
SWIMMING & DIVING:
'15, '17, '18
TENNIS: '16
WRESTLING DUALS: '15

GIRLS

SOCCER: '17
SOFTBALL: '15, '16, '17, '18
TENNIS: '15, '16, '17, '18
VOLLEYBALL: '14, '17

COMBINED

FENCING: '15, '16, '17
SWIMMING & DIVING:
'15, '16, '17, '18



In the last 20 years Baylor teams have won

158

State Championship Titles.

Baylor began competing in TSSAA Division II (for schools that provide students with need-based aid) in the fall of 1997, and to date, has won more than **100 state titles** in the division.

The Curriculum

As a prerequisite for graduation, Baylor expects students to enroll in a minimum of 20 credits, including 17 required academic courses.

English 4 credits Laboratory Sciences.....3 credits
Mathematics 4 credits Foreign Language.....2 credits
Social Studies 3 credits Fine Arts..... 1 credit

Additional requirements: 3 credits of physical education/wellness.

Honors and AP Offerings Baylor students, with permission of the Department Chair and Upper School Head, may elect Honors or Advanced Placement (AP) courses. Honors sections normally lead to work in an AP course.

English (4 credits required)

9th grade: English I or English I Honors

10th grade: English II or AP Language

11th grade: English III or AP Literature

12th grade: English IV (semester-long electives)

Students select two English courses:

- Contemporary Literature
- Identity and Society in Literature
- African American Literature
- Literary Classics
- Literature of Medicine
- Travel Literature
- Wilderness Literature

Mathematics (4 credits required: Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, plus one additional course)

Algebra I	Calculus I*
Geometry or Geometry Honors	Calculus II*
Algebra II	Statistics
Algebra II w/Trigonometry or	AP Calculus AB
Algebra II w/Trigonometry Honors	AP Calculus BC
Precalculus or Precalculus Honors	AP Statistics (full year course)
Trigonometry and Analysis	Honors Abstract Math

*One-semester course

World Language (2 credits required of the same language which must be completed in the upper school)

Chinese: 300, 400, AP Chinese, Post-AP Chinese

French: 100, 200, 300, 400, AP French

German: 300, 400, AP German, Post-AP German

Latin: 100, 200, 300, 400, AP Latin, Post-AP Latin

Spanish: 100, 200, 300, *350, 400

AP Spanish Language, AP Spanish Literature

*350 is an accelerated course, not offered every year

Science (3 credits required: Biology, Chemistry, Physics)
9th Grade: Biology or Biology Honors)

10th Grade: Chemistry or Chemistry Honors

11th Grade: Physics, AP Biology, AP Chemistry, or Physics Honors

12th Grade: AP Physics C, AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Environmental Science

Independent Scientific Research I, II, III

Semester Electives:

- Astronomy
- Environmental Science
- Fundamentals of Scientific Research
- Engineering Design
- Forensic Science

Social Studies (3 credits required in specific subjects)

9th grade: World History I (required)

10th grade: World History II or AP World History (required)

11th grade: US History or AP US History (required)

12th grade:

Semester Electives:

- American Government
- Disease and History
- Ethics
- History of the Modern US
- Western Religions
- History of Hinduism and Buddhism
- Classical Mythology
- Economics
- History of American Law
- History of Rome
- World War II

AP European History (full year course)

AP Human Geography (full year course)

Fine Arts (1 credit required)

Dance

Choreography and Dance Studies

Drama

Theater 100: Introduction to Acting

Theater 200: Acting for Production

Theater 300: Advanced Acting and Directing

Music

Concert Choir

Concert Band

Orchestra

Media Arts

Visual Literacy

Digital Design I and II

Photography

Studio Art

Studio Art*

AP Studio Art

Drawing

AP 3D Art

Intermediate Drawing and Painting

*One-semester course

Pottery I and II

Design: Form and Function

Painting

Design Fundamentals

Computer Science

Computer Sci I: Intro to Computer Science

AP Computer Science Principles*

*One-semester course

Why Baylor?

Baylor stands among the finest prep schools in the country. Students come here for different reasons, but there are compelling considerations common to most decisions. Here are 10 of them:

Co-Education College is co-ed. The work place is co-ed. The world is co-ed. Baylor is co-ed, and we prepare our students to work with the opposite sex in a culture of mutual respect and tolerance.

Faculty Study after study shows that the most meaningful aspect of any classroom is the person standing in the middle of it. Baylor's teachers are known for being demanding yet deeply caring.

Honor In place for over a century, the Baylor Honor Code is the backbone of the community, reassuring students that their spaces, their belongings, and their intellectual material will be respected.

Balance Baylor is first and foremost an academic institution, but we firmly believe that prepping students for college requires attention to the body and the spirit as well as the mind. That commitment is reflected in every aspect of Baylor life outside the classroom.

Accessibility Not every family can afford private school tuition, so Baylor provides need-based financial aid to roughly one-third of our students.

Spirit Baylor's personality is manifest in its students. Visitors to campus encounter young men and women who are polite, engaged, and most importantly, happy.

Community On average, we welcome students from 13 countries, 23 states, and dozens of area neighborhoods. The sense of community runs deep at Baylor, fostering self-confidence, mutual respect, and independence that most students won't experience until college.

Campus Arguably the most beautiful prep-school campus in the Southeast, our 690-acres on the banks of the Tennessee River provide options many other schools cannot.

Support Network Baylor's professional support staff includes a school psychologist, learning specialist, counselors, and a fully-staffed learning center.

Process The Baylor admission process is designed to be seamless and hassle-free, giving families more time to learn about the school and less time worrying about the application forms.



→ If you have questions about Baylor School, please call the admission office at (423) 267-5902 or email us at admission@baylorschool.org.

How to Apply

Baylor's entire application process is online. Just go to: www.baylorschool.org > admission > applying > apply now.

Financial Aid

Baylor awards almost \$6 million annually in need-based financial aid to families for whom Baylor tuition is beyond reach. Approximately one-third of Baylor families qualify for assistance, and Baylor is able to meet, on average, 75 percent of their demonstrated need. Families interested in financial aid must complete an application at www.sssbynais.com and upload certain documents before Baylor can review the application and make an award.



→ Baylor's Director of Financial Aid, Bill Murdock, can answer any questions relating to aid. (423) 757-2821 or bmurdock@baylorschool.org.

Boarding Scholarships

Baylor names four Cartter Scholars annually, providing boarding scholarships to students who are new to Baylor. The awards are available to rising ninth and tenth graders: one full-tuition, one half-tuition, and two quarter-tuition scholarships are awarded annually and remain in force throughout the students' time at Baylor. Students admitted to Baylor as Cartter Scholars as well as finalists who enroll at Baylor are automatically members of the Harris-Stanford Honors Program. Modeled after college honors programs, it is designed to provide extraordinary learning and leadership opportunities for motivated students. Nominations are due by **Jan. 7, 2019** and our Finalists' Weekend is **March 8-9, 2019**.



→ Information on our boarding scholarship program can be found at www.baylorschool.org/Cartter.

To schedule a campus visit, RSVP for a Boarding Open House, or connect with an Admission Counselor, contact us at:

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www.baylorschool.org

BOARDING OPEN HOUSE DATES:

Nov. 1-2, 2018 ♣ Dec. 6-7, 2018 ♣ Jan. 17-18, 2019
Feb. 28-March 1, 2019 ♣ April 11-12, 2019