



BAYSHORE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Christian, Classical, Life Preparatory

Upper School Profile

ABOUT BAYSHORE

Bayshore is quietly nestled in the picturesque pines and sprawling live oaks of Fairhope, Alabama. What began with 20 students in 2002 has now grown to more than 500 students in preschool through the twelfth grade. Bayshore offers a distinctly classical and definitively Christian education to more than 300 families representing over 50 different churches and 10 evangelical denominations across greater Baldwin County.

Our mission is to graduate students with a biblical worldview who will inspire, impact, and serve their communities. Our students will be critical thinkers who are academically and spiritually prepared for college and their life's calling. They will be defenders of the Christian faith and able to exquisitely articulate that defense. They will be lovers of whatsoever things are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, and virtuous.

UPPER SCHOOL FACULTY

The student to faculty ratio is 9:1, and the average class size is 18. Many of our faculty members hold a Master's degree or higher. Our Upper School teachers are subject experts and hold degrees in their fields.

ACCREDITATION

Bayshore Christian School has been a member of the Association of Classical Christian Schools since 2004 and has been nationally accredited by the Association of Classical Christian Schools since 2015.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Students are selectively admitted after demonstrating grade-level competency on the BCS Placement Test in reading comprehension, composition, and math. Additionally, at least one parent must be a professing Christian. All incoming families are interviewed by the Head of School and will provide a pastoral reference.

NATIONAL MERIT SEMIFINALISTS

Bayshore Christian School has produced four National Merit Semifinalists and one National Merit Finalist.

STANDARDIZED TESTING SCORES

ACT Scores		
Graduation Year	Average Score	Median Score
2017	26.8	26
2018	29.6	31
2019	29	30
2020	29.5	28

THE BAYSHORE DISTINCTIVE

Bayshore's classical approach to education follows the natural development of a student's intellect. Beginning with the "grammar" level by presenting the basic facts and principles of learning, then progressing to the "logic" level of ordering information, classical education matures in the "rhetoric" stage where students learn to think critically, integrate information, and communicate effectively.

Foreign Language: Latin instruction is standard in 7th and 8th grade. In 9th through 12th grade, students may choose from Advanced Latin, Spanish, or French courses to fulfill the two consecutive foreign language credit requirement.

Literature: Students read original source material. Literature, prose, and poetry are integrated with the time period being taught in History, Bible, and Theology classes.

Senior Thesis: As the culmination of training in Rhetoric, 11th and 12th grade students research and compose a persuasive thesis, defend their position before an academic panel, and present their findings in a public forum. The Senior Thesis is the capstone project of a Bayshore education.

Grand Tour: Seniors travel abroad to countries such as Israel, Greece, and Italy making concrete connections with their study of antiquity and the Bible. These experiences create a cultural awareness for the students that solidifies their understanding of the church's mission throughout history.

GRADING SYSTEM

Letter Grade	Numerical Average	Grade Points	Weighted Grade Points
A	90-100	4.0	5.0
B+	85-89	3.5	4.5
B	80-84	3.0	4.0
C+	75-79	2.5	3.5
C	70-74	2.0	3.0
D	65-69	1.0	2.0
F	<64	0.0	0.0

ATHLETIC PROGRAM

Bayshore Christian School is a member of the Alabama High School Athletic Association. Varsity Athletics include soccer, volleyball, swimming, cross-country, basketball, bowling, wrestling, tennis, golf, cheerleading, softball, and baseball.

AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Our after-school program, Masters Center, offers classes such as violin, clarinet, piano, drums, STEAM, cooking, acting, art, and gardening. It also includes the Lego Club, Chess Club, Sailing Club, Equestrian Club, and Chapel Band. Other opportunities are available to 7th-12th grade students such as art competitions, choral ensembles, yearbook, theatre productions, and robotics.

CLUBS & LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Student leadership is developed through participation in BCS Student Ambassadors, National Honor Society, Latin Club, Theatre Club, Mu Alpha Theta, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Yearbook Publication, and the House System.

BCS GRADUATE MATRICULATIONS

Auburn University, Baylor University, Belhaven University, Covenant College, Elon University, Georgia Institute of Technology, Huntingdon College, Louisiana State University, Mississippi College, Mississippi State University, New Saint Andrews College, Patrick Henry College, Samford University, The King's College, Troy University, Union University, United States Naval Academy, University of Alabama, University of Alabama at Birmingham, University of Alabama at Huntsville, University of Chicago, University of Mobile, University of North Alabama, University of South Alabama, University of Southern Mississippi, William Carey, Wheaton College

CURRICULUM

	Logic School		Rhetoric School			
SUBJECT	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
Theology	New Testament I	Old Testament I	Old Testament II	New Testament II	Systematic Theology	Apologetics & Spiritual Disciplines
History	Geography	Historical Foundations	Western Civilizations	European History	American History	Civics and Economics
English	Intro to Literature	Literary Foundations	Roman Literature	British Literature	American Literature	Advanced Literature
Math	Pre-Algebra	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Pre-Calculus	Calculus or Business Math
Science	Life Science	Physical Science	Biology	Human Anatomy and Physiology	Chemistry	Physics
Language	Latin I	Latin II	Latin, Spanish, or French	Latin, Spanish, or French	Latin, Spanish, or French	Latin, Spanish, or French
Logic/ Rhetoric	Logic I	Logic II	Academic Writing	Debate	Rhetoric I	Rhetoric II
Fine Arts	Art Skills I and Choir	Art Skills II and Choir	Art Skills III	Art Skills IV	Advanced Art	Advanced Art
Elective	Personal Fitness	Personal Fitness	Options Vary	Options Vary	Options Vary	Options Vary

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English 4 Credit Hours
 History 4 Credit Hours
 Math 4 Credit Hours
 Science 4 Credit Hours
 Bible/Theology 4 Hours
 Language 2 Credit Hours
 Rhetoric 2 Credit
 Electives 2 Credit Hours
Fine Arts 1.5 Credit
 TOTAL: 27.5 Hours