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# VERITAS ACADEMY

CLASSICAL ▼ CHRISTIAN ▼ COVENANTAL

## 2023-2024 SCHOOL PROFILE

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### SCHOOL HISTORY AND COMMUNITY

Veritas Academy is a classical, Christian, and covenantal school located in the beautiful historic district of Savannah, Georgia. The school was founded in 1998 with a vision for providing a traditional, liberal-arts education founded upon a Christian worldview. Our school community is made up of 180 Pre-Kindergarten – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students from four counties in Southeast Georgia and South Carolina.

### MISSION

The mission of Veritas Academy is to assist parents in the education of their children by cultivating truth, goodness, and beauty in students through a distinctly Christ-centered, classical, and covenantal education.

### ACCREDITATION AND AFFILIATIONS

Accredited by the Association of Classical & Christian Schools  
Member of Georgia Association of Private and Parochial Schools  
Member of Society for Classical Learning

### ADMISSIONS

Admission to Veritas Academy is based on academic records, teacher recommendations, entrance exam scores, and a family interview. Veritas does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in any of its programs and policies. A significant percentage of Veritas families receive financial assistance from the school.

### STUDENT LIFE

- Veritas is committed to being a learning community of faith, service, and family. Students are equipped for leadership through involvement in the House System, service projects, and competitive sports.
- All students in grades 7-12 are members of one of four Houses. The House System encourages camaraderie, academic excellence, intramural competition, and service to our community.
- Veritas students participate in cross-country, flag football, volleyball, track, golf, archery, and swimming. Students also compete in regional and state vocal, dramatic, oratory, academic, and visual arts programs.

### PROGRAM DISTINCTIVES

- Intensive K-12 language study includes rigorous English grammar and composition and classical Latin grammar and composition, (2<sup>nd</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>). 73% of Veritas students in the last four years earned an achievement award on the National Latin Exam.
- The core disciplines taught in our Rhetoric school (high school) emphasize classical languages, the Great Books, science, mathematics, logic, rhetoric, theology, and apologetics. Humanities courses are taught in Socratic seminars combining a study of history, literature, philosophy, and theology along a timeline spanning antiquity to modernity.
- Seniors research, write, publicly present, and defend a 20+ page Senior Thesis in the spring of their Senior year.
- 75% of Rhetoric School faculty hold advanced degrees.

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

To receive a diploma from Veritas Academy, a student must satisfy the following credit requirements:

Humanities (History/Literature)	8.0
Mathematics (including Pre-Calculus)	4.0
Natural & Physical Sciences (including Bio, Chem, Physics)	4.0
Language (Classical or Modern)	4.0
Traditional Logic and Classical Rhetoric	2.0
Fine Arts (Music and Art)	1.0
Biblical Studies	1.0
Total credits	24

### HONORS COURSES

We believe that *all* of Veritas Academy courses are taught at, or above, what schools typically call “honors” level in that pace, content, volume, and quality of work demanded fit that designation.

### GRADING AND ASSESSMENT

A 90-100%	C 70-79%	F 0-59%
B 80-89%	D 60-69%	

An unweighted GPA is provided on the final transcript.

### COLLEGE TESTING RESULTS

Class of 2023	mean SAT scores:	EWR 636	M 604
Classes of 2019-22	mean SAT scores:	EWR 623	M 581

### CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Literature: Ancient (to 400 AD), Medieval (400-1600 AD), Modern European (1600-pres), and American (1500-pres). Instruction is integrated with History and is focused on immersion in the “Great Books” (e.g. Homer, Plato, Virgil, Augustine, Milton, Dante, Shakespeare, Dostoyevsky, Dickens, Lewis, Solzhenitsyn, et al).

History: Ancient (to 400 AD), Medieval (400-1600 AD), Modern European (1600-pres), and American (1500-pres). Integrated with Literature and emphasizes readings/research in primary sources (e.g. Herodotus, 95 Theses, Rousseau, Federalists Papers, et al)

Latin: Two years of Latin grammar, readings, translation, composition, and conversational Latin. Latin is a “core” course at Veritas.

Science: Physical Science (8<sup>th</sup>), Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Advanced Biology or Adv. Chemistry or Adv. Physics. Courses are designed to train students in core-knowledge of primary fields, application of the scientific method, and proper laboratory experimentation.

Mathematics: Algebra I (8<sup>th</sup> grade), Geometry, Algebra II, Pre-Calculus, and Calculus. Mathematics instruction has the goal of placing all seniors in “honors” level Calculus by grade 12.

Logic and Rhetoric: Students take Traditional Logic (8<sup>th</sup>) and Advanced Logic (9<sup>th</sup>). Two years of Classical Rhetoric in high school include a study of *The Rhetoric & Poetics of Aristotle*, *Cicero*, and *Quintilian*, and completion of a 25+ page written and oral thesis project in grade 12.

Bible: Students take a survey course of the Old and New Testament in middle school. In high school students take Christian Foundations, a one-year course in theology and apologetics.

Music and Art: Music instruction includes theory, vocal performance, and history. Art instruction combines studio art with the philosophy and history of art.

### SAMPLING OF COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES AND MATRICULATIONS

Allegheny College (PA)	Louisiana State University (LA)
Berry College (GA)	Mercer University (GA)
Centre College (KY)	Samford University (AL)
Clemson University (SC)	Savannah College of Art & Design (GA)
Covenant College (GA)	University of Alabama (AL)
Emory University (GA)	University of Georgia (GA)
Erskine University (SC)	University of Georgia Honors Program
Fashion Institute of Technology (NY)	University of Kentucky (KY)
Fordham University (NY)	University of South Carolina (SC)
Furman University (SC)	The King’s College (NY)
Georgia Inst of Technology (GA)	The University of the South (TN)
Georgia Southern University (GA)	University of Virginia (VA)
Georgia State University (GA)	West Virginia University (WV)
GSU Honors Program (GA)	Wheaton College (IL)
Grove City College (PA)	Wofford College (SC)