



VISION: To inspire students to create a better world.
MISSION: To guide students to think critically, act responsibly, lead compassionately, and innovate wisely.

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DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

SCHOOL

- Independent co-ed, nonsectarian day school
- Grades: 5-12
- Founded: 2002 with 16 students
- Enrollment 2018-2019: 457
- Financial Aid: 7% of student body

ACCREDITATION

- NWAIS: Northwest Association of Independent Schools
- NAIS: National Association of Independent Schools

FACULTY AND STAFF

- Employees 2018-2019: 103
- Faculty with advanced degrees: 72%
- Student-to-teacher ratio: 8:1
- Average class size: 15
- Maximum class size: 18
-Excluding Instrumental Music Ensemble, Chamber Music Ensemble, Choir, and Chamber Choir

UPPER SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Class Of	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
Enrollment	50	58	73	78	259

COURSE WORK AND CREDITS

- A Trimester term is 11-12 weeks
- Each Trimester course is worth 1 credit
- Year-long courses are worth 3 credits
- Students must enroll in a minimum of 6 classes and a maximum of 7 classes per trimester.
- There are no special designations such as Honors, AP, or IB.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Arts	5 Trimesters	Math	9 Trimesters
English	12 Trimesters	World Language	9 Trimesters
History	9 Trimesters	Science	9 Trimesters
Physical Education	5 Trimesters (may include interscholastic sports)		

STUDENT PERFORMANCE

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS

- No course at EPS has an AP designation or follows a prescribed AP curriculum.
- 2014-2018: Over 200 exams taken in 18 subject areas.

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS

- Merit Scholarship Winners since 2009: 11
- Over 25 students recognized as Commended, Semifinalist, or Finalist in the classes of 2009-2018.

GPA AND CLASS RANK

- EPS does not rank students in any manner or weight GPAs.
- Yearly and cumulative GPAs are included on our transcript.
- The mid-50% of GPAs for the Classes of 2018-2019*: 3.3-3.8

A = 4.0	A- = 3.7	B+ = 3.3	B = 3.0	B- = 2.7
C+ = 2.3	C = 2.0	C- = 1.7	D+ = 1.3	D = 1.0

SAT AND ACT EXAMINATIONS

- These scores represent the mid-50% for the Classes of 2018 and 2019*.

SAT Test	
EBRW	660-730
Mathematics	620-750
Total	1290-1475

ACT Test	
ELA	25-31
English	28-35
Math	27-34
Reading	29-35
Science	28-34
STEM	27-34
Composite	28-34

*Scores and GPAs for the Class of 2018 are final; for the Class of 2019 they are accurate through July, 2018.

COLLEGE MATRICULATIONS

The list below includes all schools and universities at which our 232 graduates from the classes of 2012 to 2018 were accepted. The asterisk (*) indicates at least one EPS alumni matriculation.

Aalto University*	Emory University	Pitzer College*	University of Chicago*
American University*	EU Business School Barcelona	Pomona College*	University of Cincinnati
American University of Paris	Fordham University	Portland State University	University of Colorado, Boulder*
Amherst College*	Franklin & Marshall College*	Pratt Institute*	University of Colorado, Colorado Springs
Arizona State University*	Franklin University Switzerland	Princeton University	University of Connecticut
Art Institute of Seattle*	George Mason University	Providence College	University of Denver*
Auburn University	George Washington University*	Purdue University	University of Hawaii
Aurora University*	Georgia Tech	Quest University*	University of Idaho*
Barnard College	Gettysburg College	Reed College*	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*
Barrett, The Honors College*	Gonzaga University*	Regis University	University of Iowa
Baylor University	Goucher College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Bellevue College*	Grinnell College	Rhode Island School of Design*	University of Miami*
Belmont University*	Hamilton College	Rice University	University of Michigan*
Beloit College	Hampshire College	Roanoke College	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Bentley University	Harvey Mudd College*	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of New Hampshire at Durham
Berklee College of Music*	Haverford College*	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	University of North Carolina, Asheville
Boston College*	Hawaii Pacific University	Rowan University	University of North Dakota
Boston University*	Hendrix College	Salve Regina University	University of Northern Colorado
Bradley University*	High Point University	San Diego State University*	University of Oregon*
Brandeis University*	Hiram College	San Jose State University	University of Pennsylvania
Brigham Young University*	Hofstra University	Santa Clara University*	University of Portland
Brown University*	Hult International Business School*	Sarah Lawrence College	University of Puget Sound*
Bryn Mawr College*	Humboldt State University	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	University of Redlands
Bucknell University*	Illinois Wesleyan University*	Scripps College	University of Richmond
Butler University	Indiana University at Bloomington	Seattle Central College*	University of Rochester*
Cal Maritime	James Madison University	Seattle University*	University of San Diego*
California College of the Arts, SF	Johns Hopkins University	Seton Hall University	University of San Francisco*
California Lutheran University	Juniata College	Sewanee University of the South*	University of St. Andrews
California Polytechnic State University*	Kenyon College	Siena College	University of Southern California
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona	K-State at Salina	Simmons College*	University of Texas, Austin
Carleton College*	Lafayette College*	Skidmore College	University of the Pacific
Carnegie Mellon University*	Lake Forest College*	Smith College*	University of Utah
Carroll College*	Lawrence University	Southern Methodist University	University of Vermont*
Carroll University (Wisconsin)*	Lehigh University	Southern Oregon University	University of Victoria
Case Western University	Lewis & Clark College*	St. Edward's University*	University of Virginia
Central Washington University	Lewis-Clark State College	St. John's University	University of Washington*
Champlain College*	Linfield College*	St. Lawrence University*	University of Washington, Bothell*
Chapman University*	Loyola Marymount University*	St. Olaf College*	University of Washington, Tacoma
Claremont McKenna College*	Loyola University Chicago	Stanford University*	University of Wisconsin, Madison*
Colby College	Loyola University Maryland	Stevens Institute of Technology	Ursinus College
Colgate University	Loyola University New Orleans	Susquehanna University*	Vanderbilt University
College of Charleston	Lynn University	Syracuse University	Vassar College
College of Idaho	Macalester College*	Temple University Japan*	Virginia Tech
College of the Atlantic	Manhattanville College	The Evergreen State College*	Wake Forest University
College of William and Mary	Marquette University	The George Washington University	Walla Walla University
College of Wooster	Maryland Institute College of Art	The University of Akron*	Washington State University*
Colorado College*	Mass College of Art and Design	The University of Montana, Missoula*	Washington University in St. Louis*
Colorado School of Mines	Massachusetts Institute of Technology*	The University of Tampa	Webster University
Colorado State University	McNally Smith College of Music*	The University of Texas, Austin*	Wesleyan University*
Columbia College Chicago*	Menlo College	The University of Texas, Austin*	West Virginia University
Columbia University*	Miami University, Oxford	The University of the Arts	Western Colorado State University
Connecticut College	Montana State University, Bozeman*	Trinity College	Western Washington University*
Cornell University*	Morehouse College	Trinity College, University of Toronto	Wheaton College (MA)
Cornish College of the Arts*	Mount Holyoke College	Trinity University	Whitman College*
DePaul University*	Muhlenberg College	Tufts University*	Whittier College*
DePauw University	Nebraska Wesleyan University	Tulane University*	Willamette University*
Dickinson College	New York University*	Union College*	Woodbury University
DigiPen Institute of Technology	Northeastern University*	University of Aberdeen	Worcester Polytechnic Institute*
Dominican University of California	Northern Arizona University*	University of Arizona	Yale University*
Drexel University	Northwestern University	University of British Columbia, Okanagan*	
Eastern Washington University	Oberlin College*	University of British Columbia*	
Eckerd College	Occidental College*	University of California, Berkeley*	
Elon University	Ohio State University	University of California, Davis	
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Prescott, AZ*	Oregon State University	University of California, Irvine*	
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona, FL*	Pacific Lutheran University*	University of California, Los Angeles	
Emerson College	Pacific Union College	University of California, Merced	
	Pacific University	University of California, San Diego*	
	Pennsylvania State University	University of California, Santa Barbara	
	Philadelphia University	University of California, Santa Cruz*	

▼ Courses by Grade Level

Literature	9th-10th Humanities Program			American Literature (year-long)	Modernist Literature, Film, and Music	Critical Studies in Practice: Literature and the Natural Environment	Postmodern Theory and Literature
	Ancient Poetry: The Oldest Literature	Shakespeare	Modern Asian Literature and Film				
	Pre-History: Building Blocks of Civilization	Renaissance History: The Cultural Epicenter	Modern Asian History: China and Japan	U.S. History: The American Question (year-long)	Renaissance Drama	Emotion and Motive in Literature: Western Fiction and Drama	The Early Modern and Modern Novel
	Latin American Literature	Revolutions in Thought: 19th c. British Literature	Modern African Literature				
	The Historical Formation of Latin American Identity	Revolutions in Thought: Enlightenment to Industrial Revolution	Modern African History	Democratic Theories and Civic Practice	Public Policy: Race, Class, Gender, and the Environment	Comparative Government	Jurisprudence: The History of Legal Precedent in the United States
	Medieval Era: Literary Foundations	Modern Perspectives: 19th/20th C. European Literature	Middle-Eastern & Middle-Eastern-American Literature				
Medieval Era: Europe in Transition	Modern Perspectives: Ideologies in Practice	The Modern Middle East	International Relations	The Economics of Development			
Biology (year-long)		Chemistry (year-long)			Physics (year-long)	SCIENCE ELECTIVES: (year-long) Advanced Biology, Advanced Physics, Advanced Chemistry, Environmental Science (trimester) Astronomy, Geoscience, Marine Biology, Ecology, Data Science	

▼ Courses by Skill Level

In both the math and Spanish course progressions, students are placed at a level commensurate with their past experience/coursework and current fluency. Placement decisions are made based on a placement exam and at the discretion of the faculty in each academic discipline.

Math (yearlong)	Algebra 1	Geometry	Algebra 2	Pre-Calculus	Calculus	Advanced Calculus	Adv. Topics in Mathematics
	Accelerated Algebra and Geometry (2 years) (Upper School course)				Statistics (1 year)		
Spanish	Spanish 1	Spanish 2	Spanish 3	Spanish 4	Advanced Spanish:	Conversation	
						Language	
						Literature	

Fine and Performing Arts Options

VISUAL ART

- Art Meets Science
- Mixed Media
- Paper Engineering
- Printmaking
- Perspective Drawing
- Drawing and Painting 1,2
- Digital Filmmaking I
- Digital Filmmaking 2: Film-making and Editing
- Digital Filmmaking 2: Story and Production
- Digital Photography
- Graphic Design

MUSIC

- Chamber Choir
- Upper School Choir
- Introduction to Instrumental Ensemble
- Instrumental Music Ensemble
- Chamber Music Ensemble
- Understanding Music

THEATRE

- Acting
- Original Works
- Directing
- Stagecraft

Technology and Computer Science

- Programming 1, 2
- Advanced Programing: Software Design Engineering, Web Applications, Algorithms & Data Structures
- Physical Meets Digital
- Web Design 1, 2

Physical Education

- Wellness
- Yoga
- Dance

Academic Electives

Students have the opportunity to take one or two electives per trimester concurrently with their five core classes: math, literature, social science, science, and Spanish. All course electives are one trimester.

COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA

- Introduction to Public Speaking
- Modern Mythology in American Film
- Truth in Film: The Crafting of Reality
- American Popular Music and Culture
- Media Literacy

ECONOMICS & ENTREPRENEURIALISM

- Undercover Economics
- The Evolution of Society

PLACE-BASED STUDIES

- Topics in Urban Planning and Community Design
- Experience: Seattle
- Experience: Arches National Park

PSYCHOLOGY

- Neurobiology of the Mind

WRITER'S WORKSHOP

- Creative Writing
- Advanced Creative Writing: Fiction and Poetry, Genre Study

INDEPENDENT CURRICULUM

Independent offerings are decidedly collegiate in structure and rigor, providing students multiple opportunities to:

- 1) distinguish themselves as going above and beyond work offered in the core curriculum (left) (in addition to advanced coursework)
- 2) self-direct their learning and authorship of curricula
- 3) expand coursework within context of the core academic disciplines
- 4) explore relevant, applied topics outside the scope of the core curriculum
- 5) develop project management and organizational skills

Capstone Project

An independent research paper that explores a topic in-depth. Project ideas emerge from the content of students' core discipline courses in Grades 9-10, with topics ranging from those that are tied to a particular class, to those that delve into a question(s) that are truly inter-disciplinary in nature. Particular focus is placed on students practicing and internalizing the research process (ask, investigate, analyze, argue), publishing their findings in research journal, and presenting to the school community.

Better World Project

Seniors do original, in-depth work in an area of interest that focuses on the EPS vision of creating a better world. Groups of 2-4 students work with a faculty mentor who encourages/advises them through their project.

Options:

- 1) Constructing innovative products in the arts, creative writing, or technology
- 2) Planning and implementing a service-learning project
- 3) Identifying and participating in off-campus internships
- 4) Developing a project connected to travel experiences

Independent Study

A hallmark of EPS's most engaged and self-motivated students, these provide juniors and seniors the opportunity to extend their academic exploration beyond current EPS course offerings. Students work one-on-one with a faculty mentor (similar to collaboration that may be expected by some college professors). Interested students (1) identify a topic/subject area to examine; (2) find a faculty mentor; and (3) construct a 10-week course of study which includes weekly meetings with their mentor. A text of appropriate complexity is required, with both an initial proposal and final presentation heard by the EPS Curriculum Committee.

Senior Thesis

This is the most rigorous research opportunity in the EPS academic program, providing a senior the time and support to build on the work of previous independent studies to produce a substantive research product. The thesis is designed to be both a culmination of work in an individual academic discipline (or an interdisciplinary domain), and preparation for intensive undergraduate research.

Seminars

Using a unique time structure and a combination of lecture, independent research, plenary, and workshop sessions, seminars provide opportunities for students to build and refine their approach to multidisciplinary thinking. With the aim of preparing students for their collegiate experiences, seminar sessions meet once a week. Students collaborate and work independently outside of those sessions. Each 5-week experience is moderated by a faculty member or faculty pair, with guest presenters invited based on particular discipline knowledge/experience.

Algorithms Music and Math

The Art of the Sketchbook

- A New Way of Seeing the World
- Athletic Leadership and Coaching
- Becoming a Writing Associate
- Bias: How Humans Fool Themselves
- Biomimicry

Bohemians, Bootleggers, Flappers, and Swells

- Can Technology Save Education?
- Climate Change by the Numbers
- Compilers: Programming Languages
- Contemporary Art and Social Justice
- Creamos Creative Expression in Spanish
- Cryptography How to Keep a Secret

Debate

- How to Win Friends and Influence People
- Designing for Play
- A Toy Design Challenge
- Discrete Math
- How to Count and Use Counting to Answer Questions

Documentary Photography

- Dystopias
- Totalitarian States in the Modern Age

Escaping the Cave

- Three Platonic Dialogues

Ethics or Emotions Which Is It?

Evolution of Society 2

The Existential World Views of Sartre and Camus

- Experiencing Nature Through Literature
- Hemlock and the Philosopher
- How to Game the System to Get Your Candidate Elected
- How to Keep a Secret
- How Is Mathematics Used to Keep Data Communications Secret?

Innovation and Entrepreneurship

- Introduction to Electron Microscopy
- Introduction to Functional Programming
- Islam Up Close
- A Religion Everyone Should AKnow About

Language Change

- Life Drawing
- Literary Translation
- Making Sense of Contemporary Environmental Issues
- Making the World Safe?
- Nuclear Weapons in the Modern Age

Minimalism as a Lifestyle

- How It Can Change Your Life and the World

Patterns in the Mind

- Language and Human Nature
- Princesses and Truck Drivers
- Constructing and Deconstructing Gender

Race in the United States

- Relational Databases
- Sacred Geometry
- How Shapes Shape Our Experience

Show Me the Way Home

- GPS and Graph Theory
- The Signal and The Noise
- Forecasting and Prediction in the 21st Century

Scale and Environmental Issues

Siege Warfare

- Simple Math Modeling for Complex Problems

South African Culture Through Story

- Taking Action
- Citizenship in the 21st Century

A Theory of Everything

- Integral Vision and Daily Life

Twitter Analysis

- Understanding Baseball Through Film
- Understanding Baseball Through Stats

Understanding Computers

- from the Transistor Up