



THE HABERSHAM SCHOOL

2023-24 Profile

MISSION

The Habersham School provides an education grounded in the orthodox Christian faith and the classical tradition that equips students to thoughtfully pursue moral beauty and eternal purpose in the modern world. Since our foundation in 2012, we have partnered with parents to educate children not simply to one day gain admittance to the best college, but to equip them for life, helping them discover who God made them to be. We work continually to restore the humanity of each child entrusted to us, as God works to restore his creation.

The Habersham School currently serves 199 students, with 62 students in the current 9th-12th grades. 100% of the graduating class of 2023 were accepted into 4 year colleges and universities.

FACULTY

Our teachers are gifted educators thoroughly trained in the classical tradition who share a personal commitment to learning and discovery. 65% of faculty serving the Upper School hold advanced degrees in their field of expertise.

ADMISSION

Selective admission is based on academic record, personal interview, recommendations, and standardized testing. All students are charged to embody our Code of Citizenship both on campus and in the larger community.

ACADEMIC PHILOSOPHY

The Habersham School's academic foundation is the time-honored tradition of classical education, founded on the great works of literature, the great discoveries of math and science, and the great ideas and figures of Western civilization. We employ a rigorous curriculum designed to build the habits of intellectual and moral virtue, wherein students are taught to question, investigate, dialogue, and create.

	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
Humanities	Humane Letters III Medieval 300-1450 Logic & Rhetoric I	Humane Letters IV European 1450-1850 Logic & Rhetoric II	Humane Letters V American 1450-1850	Humane Letters VI Modern World 1850+ Senior Thesis
Math	Math Algebra I Geometry Honors Geometry	Geometry Honors Geometry Algebra II Honors Algebra II	Algebra II Honors Algebra II Pre-Calculus Honors Pre-Calculus	Pre-Calculus Honors Pre-Calculus Calculus
Science	Biology Honors Biology	Chemistry Honors Chemistry	Physics Honors Physics College Chemistry	Anatomy/Physiology College Chemistry College Physics
Foreign Language	3 credits: Intro to Latin, Latin I, Latin II, Latin III Honors Latin III, Honors Latin IV, Honors Latin V			

TRANSCRIPTS

The Habersham School follows a semester schedule. Course grades on the transcript are weighted. Transcripts indicate a weighted cumulative 100-point average, and a weighted cumulative GPA. For honors classes, half a point is added to the weighted GPA. For dual enrollment and college level classes, 1 point is added to the weighted GPA. Senior fall term grades are available in mid-December; final grades are available in early June.

SAT

Mean SAT 2015-23 (84 students tested): 609 Reading, 569 Math

HEAD OF SCHOOL

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ACCREDITATION

Georgia Accrediting Commission (GAC)

MEMBERSHIP

Society for Classical Learning (SCL)

Georgia Association of Private and Parochial Schools (GAPPS)

Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI)

CEEB: 112694

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Average
Class Size

6:1
Student to
Teacher Ratio

READINGS IN THE HUMANE LETTERS

HUMANE LETTERS III

Middle Ages (9TH)

Augustine Confessions • Beowulf
Boethius Consolation of Philosophy
Divine Comedy • The Story of Christianity
Sir Gawain and the Green Knight
The Book of the Middle Ages
The Story of Christianity

HUMANE LETTERS IV

European Renaissance (10TH)
Machiavelli The Prince • Hamlet
Paradise Lost • A Tale of Two Cities
Descartes Discourse on Method
Leviathan (selections) • Pascal Pensées
Locke Second Treatise of Government

HUMANE LETTERS V

American (11TH)
de Tocqueville Democracy in America
Paine Common Sense • Federalist Papers
Founding American Documents
Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass
The Red Badge of Courage
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn
Death Comes to the Archbishop

HUMANE LETTERS VI

Modern World (12TH)
The Stranger • The Road • Gilead
Crime and Punishment • Kristin Lavransdatter
A Canticle for Leibowitz • Brideshead Revisited
The Power and the Glory
A Good Man is Hard to Find

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES 2015-23

Auburn University • Baylor University
Clemson University • Dartmouth College
Davidson College • Emory University
Furman University • Harvard College
Georgia Institute of Technology
Louisiana State University
Mercer University • Stanford University
Mississippi State University
New York University • Princeton University
University of Alabama • University of Georgia
University of Kentucky
University of Mississippi
University of South Carolina
University of the South • Wofford College
University of Tennessee • University of Virginia
Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Washington University in St. Louis
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Academic Distinctions 2018-23
Selected for Georgia Governor's
Honors Program: 3
National Merit Scholarship Semi-finalist: 2

HOUSE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The Habersham House System enhances the mission of the school by creating rich traditions that foster community, service, leadership, and competition, providing a structure for building meaningful relationships across grade levels. Every student is placed in one of four Houses, and House leaders are chosen through an extensive application, faculty recommendations, and interviews. Captained by the House Prefect, our highest level of student leadership, House leaders create strategic plans, creatively integrate and execute ideas, and negotiate teamwork dynamics for several full-scale school events throughout the year, gaining hands-on leadership experience.

HUMANE LETTERS

The humanities are integrated and studied chronologically from 7th-12th grade. While the history text serves as the 'map' of the time period under investigation, the era is brought to life through exploring the political philosophy, theology, literature, drama, poetry, art, and music of the period. As students develop an understanding of the progression of the human story, graduates are prepared to put into context and evaluate thoughtfully the issues and ideas of our own times. Humane Letters courses are rigorous and offered only at the honors level. Dialectic skills are honed daily in Harkness discussions, a staple of our humanities classroom pedagogy. Students are trained in Aristotelian logic and classical rhetoric, culminating in the Senior Thesis, a full-year course in which students conduct independent research, develop a thesis, and craft, deliver, and defend an argument before a panel.

MATH AND SCIENCE

Mathematics and science are uniquely suited to inculcate within our students a deep and abiding admiration for the beauty, creativity, order, and purpose in the universe. Our core science program includes Biology, Chemistry, and Physics. Students choose between Anatomy & Physiology, College Chemistry, and College Physics to complete their science requirement.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Students at the Habersham School study foundational Latin as a core academic subject beginning in the third grade. Students without a Latin background who are new to Habersham in 9th grade or later are encouraged to begin high school Latin with Intro to Latin as the first of their 3 required language credits. Upper School Latin students take the National Latin Exam yearly. In 2023, 65% of students earned honors, including 38% earning medals.



FINE ARTS

A foundation in the arts is integral to a Habersham education. Our visual arts program underscores the value of drawing as an integrating discipline as students are trained to perceive and articulate the world around them and to cultivate their creativity, which finds its root impulse in beauty. Our annual Art Show showcases students' best work and is judged by Art Rise and the Savannah Art Association. Our choir program builds vocal skill and maturity through Men's, Women's and Concert Choir courses offered each academic year. Students perform in school concerts and in service to the elderly in our community. Despite our young age and small size, several Habersham students have won local and national competitions, including two gold keys, one silver key and five honorable mentions in the National Scholastic Art and Writing Competition.

ATHLETICS

We value athletics as an important part of developing the whole person, learning to work selflessly on a team, navigating the ups and downs of competition, and developing discipline and tenacity. Students are required to take one full credit of Physical Education. Athletes may substitute participation in JV or varsity sports (.25 credit per season). Our current varsity offerings are volleyball, cross-country, basketball, baseball, golf, and tennis.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Habersham believes that freedom finds its ultimate purpose in service to others. Students are required to complete 100 hours of community service prior to graduation.