

AHS facts

2021-2022 School Year

Alexander High School

6500 Alexander Parkway
Douglasville, GA 30135
770-651-6000

School website: ahs.dcssga.org

Principal Dr. Chris Small

Student Enrollment 1,833

Total Staff 168

Certified Staff 112

Certified Staff with

Advanced Degrees 70%

Numbers for enrollment and staffing are from October, 2021.

Message from the Principal

At Alexander High School, our faculty and staff work each day to provide a learning environment that engages and challenges students for life beyond high school. We want to prepare our students to be leaders in their pursuit of a post-secondary degree, the workforce, or the military.



As a Liberal Arts Magnet School, we provide many challenging educational opportunities with our college preparatory track that includes Honors and AP level courses. Additionally, we provide many career pathways with our CTAE, Business, Fine Arts, and Performing Arts courses. To round out our opportunities for learning and leadership development, we offer many extracurricular organizations. With so many opportunities for leading and learning, Alexander continues to be a place where students “Belong, Have Fun, And Learn.”

– DR. CHRIS SMALL, PRINCIPAL

Mission

The mission of Alexander High School is to provide a quality education for all students in a safe, supportive environment.

Vision

Our vision is to build a community of lifelong learners who become responsible individuals, independent thinkers, and productive citizens.

Community

From atop a ridge overlooking Bear Creek in southwest Douglas County, Alexander High School (AHS) has stood since 1986 with a firm dedication to excellence. From its inception, the school has sustained vitality as the community surrounding it has moved from a semi-rural area to a burgeoning, commercialized suburban region.

Curriculum

The academic program at AHS is organized on an eight period hybrid schedule, with the option to enroll in blocked courses. Students may earn up to eight credits per year. The school strives to meet diverse student interests, ranging from fine arts to computer technology. AHS offers a plethora of Advanced Placement classes as well as Career, Technical and Agricultural (CTAE) pathways.

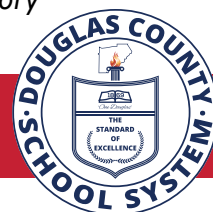
Advanced Placement Courses

2-D Art
Biology
Calculus
Chemistry
Computer Science
Environmental Science
French
Human Geography
Language and Composition
Literature and Composition
Microeconomics
Music Theory
Physics
Psychology
Research
Seminar
Spanish
U.S. History
World History



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Career Pathways

Agriculture Veterinary Science
Agriculture Horticulture/Plant Science
Agriculture Forestry/Wildlife
Advanced Finance Accounting
Advanced Business Accounting
Army ROTC
Computer Science
Early Childhood Education
Engineering
Finance Banking
IT Computer Programming
IT Web/Digital Design
Law Enforcement and Services
Marketing Management
Nutrition and Food Science
Teaching as a Profession
Therapeutic Services
Medical Transportation and Logistics
Work Based Learning

World Languages

French
Spanish

Athletics, GHSA Competitions

Baseball
Basketball
Cheerleading
Cross Country
Football
Golf
Literary
Soccer
Softball
Swimming
Tennis
Track and Field
Volleyball
Wrestling

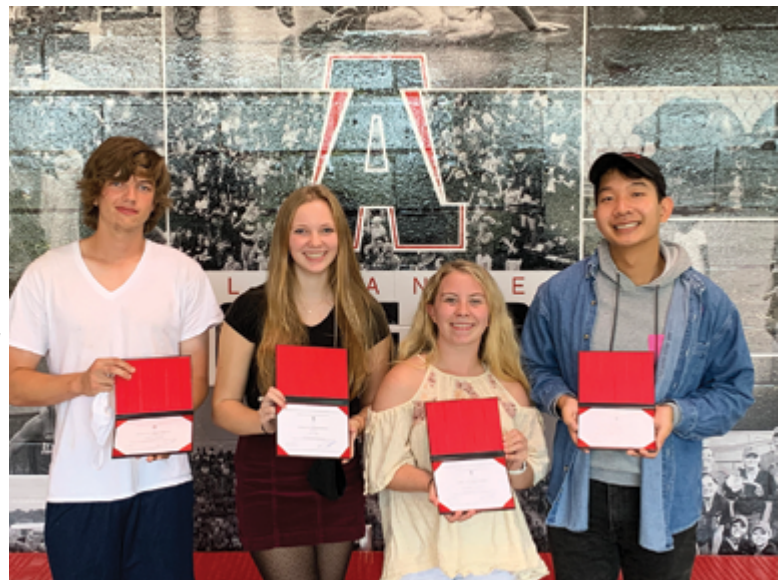
2021 Theatre production of
Shrek the Musical

Liberal Arts College Preparatory Magnet and AP Capstone™ Programs

Alexander High School is the home of a magnet program which features a liberal arts curriculum and Advanced Placement (AP) courses. Alexander began offering the Liberal Arts College Preparatory Magnet in 2016. The rigorous liberal arts curriculum requires students to challenge themselves academically and meet high expectations for attendance and behavior. Students must earn 28 Carnegie units, including three units of a foreign language, complete at least one Advanced Placement (AP) course, and document 20 hours of community service in order to graduate with the Liberal Arts Diploma Seal.

Because of high AP enrollment and test scores, AHS was chosen in 2014 as one of 125 schools worldwide to pilot AP Capstone™, an innovative program that allows students to engage in the rigorous development of skills critical for success in college: inquiry, research, collaboration, and writing. The program includes a two-course sequence: AP® Seminar and AP Research. Developed in response to feedback from higher education faculty and college admissions officers, AP Capstone complements the in-depth, subject-specific rigor of AP courses and exams. Any student at Alexander, including those in the Liberal Arts College Preparatory program, may elect to take the AP Capstone courses.

Four students were awarded the 2021 Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship program in recognition of their outstanding academic promise.



Magnet Program Admission Process

Students outside of Alexander's attendance zone may apply for the magnet program during fall of their 8th grade year. Any AP student in the district for Alexander may choose to participate in the magnet program without going through an application process. Under special circumstances, students may apply for the magnet program at Alexander after 9th grade.

In the application process, Alexander uses a rubric to select students for the magnet program. Included on the rubric are middle school grades, standardized assessments, teacher recommendations, answers to application questions, and records on attendance and behavior.

Magnet Program Application Timeline

Informational Meeting: November 4, 2021, 6:30 p.m.

To apply: Please visit ahs@dcssga.org for a link to the online application.

Applications Due: December 13, 2021

Student Notifications Mailed: February 2, 2022

Commitment Letters Due: February 11, 2022

Magnet Program Contacts

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Magnet Program Recognitions

2021 AP STEM Honor School, Georgia Department of Education

Magnet Program Achievement Data

2020 - 2021

34 AP Scholars

3 AP Scholars w/ Honors

1 AP Scholars w/ Distinction

4 AP Capstone Certificates

5 AP Capstone Diplomas

47% of AHS students who took an AP exam scored a 3 or higher



Habitat for Humanity Club members recognized with funding donation

Student Organizations

Art Club

Band

Bass Fishing

Beta Club

Bowling

Chorus

Chick-fil-A Leadership Academy

Creative Writing Club

Cougar Pals

DECA

FBLA

FCA

FCCLA

FFA

French Honor Society

Girls Who Code

Gravity Games

Habitat for Humanity

Hispanic Honor Society

HOSA

International Club

JROTC

Key Club

Math Team

National Honor Society

One Act

Project 7

Riderz Skateboarding

Robotics

Rubik's Cube

Scholar Bowl

Science Olympiad

Student Government Association

Thespian Society

Tome Society

West African Drumming



Graduation Rates*

The graduation rate is defined as the percentage of students who graduate from secondary school with a regular diploma in the standard number of years.

Graduation Rates 2020-2021

Alexander High School 92.6%

Douglas County 87.7%

Georgia 83.7%

Dual Enrollment

Through Dual Enrollment, students in grades 9-12 who qualify to participate may enroll on a part-time or full-time basis to take college courses. Students receive high school and college credit simultaneously when attending and passing approved college classes.

	# of AHS Students
Georgia Highlands College	36
University of West Georgia	28
West Georgia Technical College	46
Young Harris College	1
TOTAL	111

To access state-mandated test scores including the GA Milestones Assessment System (GMAS), please scan the QR code.



AHS Highlights

- One Governor's Honors Program Participant in Science, 2019
- Two Governor's Honors Program Participants in Science and Agricultural Science, 2018
- Two Governor's Honors Program Participants in Science and Music, 2019
- Choral and Band Performance in Tampa, Orlando, Ireland, Italy, Washington, D.C. and Carnegie Hall, 2017-2020
- Superior Ratings in Marching Band Competitions 2016-2019
- Superior Ratings in Large Group Performance Evaluation in Instrumental and Vocal Music, 2016-2019
- Young Georgia Authors County Winner for 10th grade, 2018-2019
- State Superior Ratings in Foreign Language, West Metro Forum, 2017-2019
- State Finalist in FFA Competition, 2017-2018
- Student Appointment to Air Force Academy, 2018
- JROTC Raider Team placed first in State Competition, 2019
- JROTC Drill Rifle Exhibition Team placed first in all five categories at Regional Competition, 2019, 2021
- JROTC Program awarded Honor Unit with Distinction from Cadet Command, 2008-2019
- 6A Girls Track State Champs, 2017-18
- Five Individual State Champs in 6A Girls Track, 2017-19
- 6A Boys Cross Country State Champs, 2016-17
- 6A Wrestling Duals/Traditional State Champs, 2016-17

AHS Class of 2021
earned over
\$14.3 million
in scholarships.

Approximately 260 students qualified for HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarships.

