

# ANDERSON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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## SCHOOL OFFICIALS

## 2023-2024 SCHOOL PROFILE

Anderson Christian School is a coeducational, non-denominational, college preparatory day school for students in grades K3-12. Our mission is growing leaders through academic excellence, Christian community, and service to others. The ACS core values of faith, excellence, service, and community are evident through strong academic programs, competitive athletics, and an emerging art program. ACS is located in Anderson County, in the Upstate of South Carolina with a population of just under 200,000. ACS draws students from several international employers including Michelin, One World Technologies, and Bosch, in addition to other large companies, such as AnMed Health, Anderson University, Clemson University, Electrolux, and Orian Rugs.

## ACS STUDENT PROFILE

### Faith

Understand that Biblical truth is the foundation for the proper understanding of all academic subjects -

Understand how the Bible relates to every area of the student's life

### Excellence

Understand how to apply himself to his work and to fulfill his responsibilities to God, to those in authority, and to himself -

Understand how to pursue excellence in every area of the student's life

### Service

Understand the urgency of world missions through practice of the Great Commission -

Understand how to practice Christian service to others in the student's life

### Community

Understand how to be an active part of the ACS community -

Understand "Once a Lion, Always a Lion"

## ATHLETICS

Anderson Christian School's athletic program has been present consistently at the state tournament in the South Carolina Independent Schools Association (SCISA) Class 1A region in soccer, volleyball, cross country, and basketball. ACS has captured state championships in volleyball and women's and men's basketball. ACS has been state runner-up in volleyball, soccer, men's cross country, and men's basketball. ACS currently offers 7 varsity sports, 1 junior varsity sport, and 3 middle school sports, as well as a variety of elementary sports programs. Since 2007, over 15 ACS graduates have committed to continuing their athletic careers at the collegiate level, including Clemson University, Anderson University, North Greenville University, Southern Wesleyan University, Charleston Southern University, Wofford College, Converse University, Erskine College, Emmanuel College, Montreat College, and Harris-Stowe College.

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## ACCREDITATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

- South Carolina Independent Schools Association (SCISA)
- Cognia
- NCA CASI (North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement)
- NWAC (Northwest Accreditation Commission)
- SACS CASI (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement)
- Nation's Report Card (National Assessment of Educational Progress)

# ACS Quick Facts

Upper School Enrollment: 90

Class of 2023: 12

Academic Calendar: Semesters

Upper School Median Class: 9

Advanced Placement Courses Available: 3

Upper School Faculty/Student Ratio: 1:8

Enrolled in college (class of 2023): 100%

\*Excludes international students returning to Europe, Asia, and South America

## Grading System

The ACS school calendar functions on a semester system. A numerical system from 0 to 100 with corresponding 10 point letter grades is used to determine individual course grades, as indicated below. These numerical grades are then used to compute a student's GPA on the 100 point scale. In recognition of the increased demands of AP and Honors coursework, an additional weight of 1.0 for AP/Dual Credit and 0.5 for Honors classes are given towards the student's GPA. These additional points are added to the final computation of the GPA and NOT reflected in the student's course grade. All ACS courses, unless designated as AP, Dual Credit, or Honors, are college preparatory and are not weighted. In addition to calculating all student GPAs on the school's 100 point scale, ACS also utilizes the South Carolina Uniform Grading Policy in calculating and reporting GPAs and the South Carolina Uniform Grading Policy for determining class rank for all Upper School Students. Questions regarding the South Carolina Uniform Grading Policy should be directed to Mrs. Catherine Neel, ACS Academic Advisor.

## Testing Data

Historical averages for classes 2019-2023

SAT	Mean	Mid-Range
Total (1600)	1163.6	890-1400
Critical Reading	603.54	550-790
Math	558.9	450-710
ACT	Mean	Mid-Range
Composite	24.91	19-333

## Anderson Christian School Uniform Grading Scale

A 90-100

B 80-89

C 70-79

D 60-69

F 59 and below

CEEB code: 410041

# College Acceptances for Anderson Christian School

Alabama A&M University\*  
American University\*\*  
Anderson University\*, \*\*  
Auburn University\*  
Belmont University  
Benedict College\*  
Berry College\*  
Brenau University\*  
Brevard College\*, \*\*  
Cape Breton University (CAN)  
Catawba College  
Central State University  
Charleston Southern University  
Centre College\*, \*\*  
Claflin University  
Clemson University\*  
Coastal Carolina University  
College of Charleston  
Converse University\*, \*\*  
Covenant College  
Crown College  
Cumberland University  
Emmanuel College\*\*  
East Tennessee State University  
Erskine College\*, \*\*  
Francis Marion University  
Fisk University  
Florida A&M University\*  
Florida Polytechnic University  
Fordham University  
Freed-Hardeman University  
Gardner Webb University  
Greenville Technical College  
Georgia Southern University\*  
Grambling State University\*  
Hampton University\*  
Hampton-Sydney College  
Harris-Stowe University\*, \*\*  
High Point University  
Houghton College\*  
Horry-Georgetown Technical College  
Indiana University  
Jackson State University  
Kingdom Domain Bible College  
Lander University\*  
Lee University  
Lees-McRae College\*  
Lenoir Rhyne University  
Lincoln University  
Liberty University  
Mars Hill University  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Mercer University  
Michigan State University  
Miles College\*  
Montreat College\*, \*\*  
Morris College  
Newberry College\*  
North Carolina A&T University  
North Carolina Central University\*  
North Greenville University\*, \*\*  
Ohio State University\*  
Oral Roberts University  
Ottawa College  
Pensacola Christian College\*  
Pepperdine University\*  
Presbyterian College  
Purdue University  
Roosevelt University of Chicago  
Saint Augustine University\*  
Seton Hall University\*  
Shenandoah University\*  
South Carolina State University\*  
Southeastern University\*  
Southern Wesleyan University\*\*  
Spartanburg Methodist College\*  
Spelman College  
Tennessee State University  
The Citadel  
Toccoa Falls College  
Tri-County Technical College  
Truett-McConnell University\*, \*\*  
Tuskegee University\*  
University of Alabama\*  
University of California-Berkeley  
University of Florida\*  
University of Georgia  
University of Maryland Eastern Shore\*  
University of North Georgia  
University of Oklahoma\*  
University of South Carolina-Beaufort  
University of South Carolina-Columbia\*  
University of South Carolina-Upstate  
University of Tennessee\*  
Virginia State University\*  
Voorhees College\*  
Wingate University  
Winthrop University  
Winston-Salem University  
Wofford University\*, \*\*  
Word of Life Bible College (Budapest, Hungary)  
Xavier University\*  
Young Harris College

# Course Offerings By Department

English
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English I, II, III, IV</li> <li>• Honors English I, II, III, IV</li> <li>• AP English Literature</li> <li>• CLEP Option</li> </ul>
Math
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geometry</li> <li>• Algebra I</li> <li>• Algebra II</li> <li>• Probability &amp; Statistics</li> <li>• Honors Geometry</li> <li>• Honors Algebra I</li> <li>• Honors Algebra II</li> <li>• Honors Precalculus</li> <li>• Business Calculus</li> </ul>
Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World History</li> <li>• United States History</li> <li>• U.S. Government</li> <li>• Economics</li> <li>• Honors World History</li> <li>• Honors United States History</li> <li>• Honors U.S. Government</li> <li>• Honors Economics</li> <li>• AP U.S. History</li> <li>• AP Psychology</li> </ul>

Science
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Chemistry</li> <li>• Physics</li> <li>• Physical Science</li> <li>• Anatomy &amp; Physiology</li> <li>• Honors Biology</li> <li>• Honors Chemistry</li> <li>• Honors Physics</li> <li>• Honors Physical Science</li> </ul>
Language
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spanish I, II</li> <li>• French I, II</li> <li>• ASL 101, 102, 103, 104</li> <li>• Honors Spanish III</li> <li>• Honors French III</li> </ul>
Technology
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamentals of Computing</li> <li>• Digital Publication Design</li> <li>• Sound Engineering</li> <li>• Network Engineering</li> <li>• Honors Technology Intern I, II, III, IV</li> <li>• Honors Technology Coordinator III, IV</li> </ul>

Religion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to Theological Studies</li> <li>• Theological Foundations I, II, III</li> </ul>
Fine Arts & Physical Education
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drama I, II</li> <li>• Photography</li> <li>• Honors Drama III, IV</li> <li>• Honors Chapel Band I, II, III, IV, V</li> <li>• Physical Education/Health</li> </ul>

## Upper School Student Distinctions

ACS has been named a Beta Club School of Distinction for the past 7 years. In 2017, ACS received the National Beta Club Spotlight Award for the chapter's contribution to National Beta Club.

### Units required

All students are required to complete twenty-six high school units: four each in English and Math; three each in social studies/history (including U.S. History), laboratory science, and foreign language; one physical education, technology, and fine arts; and seven electives, including Religion courses (during each year of enrollment in the Upper School.)

### High Level Courses

Advanced Placement and Honors courses are offered throughout the curriculum; however, students must meet certain criteria established by the various departments to enroll in these classes. These criteria can include standardized testing scores, minimum grades in previous courses, teacher recommendations, and testing by individual departments. All students taking an AP course are required to take the respective exam in the spring. All other courses are considered college preparatory.