

# St. Agnes Academy **SCHOOL PROFILE** 2025-2026

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**SCHEDULE A COLLEGE VISIT** IN SCOIR

St. Agnes Academy is a Catholic Independent school for girls, founded in 1851 to educate young women in a principle-based program designed to prepare them for advanced formal and personal studies while deepening their faith. Located in west Tennessee, St. Agnes seeks and enrolls students from Memphis, Mississippi, and Arkansas. Students are admitted through a comprehensive application process as well as an in-house placement test.

#### **Honor Code**

St. Agnes Academy abides by the honor code, Veritas, which is unique to our community. The Honor Council is student-led.

## **Academic Program**

### **SAA Curriculum for the Class of 2026**

St. Agnes offers 14 Advanced Placement (AP) courses, 23 Honors (H) courses, 3 Dual Enrollment (DE) language courses, and 3 Biomedical Science Program courses.

- 4 Years of **English**
- 4 Years of **Math**
- 4 Theology

of sophomore year.

- 3 Years of Science
- 3 Years of **Social Science** 1 Semester of **Leadership**
- 2 Years of World Language
- 1.5 Year of Fine Arts
- 1 Semester of **PE**
- 1 Semester of Health

PE is required or two seasons of a sport by the second semester

AP and honors courses are offered in English, math, science, social science, world language, and visual arts.

No 9th-grade AP courses were offered.

St. Agnes Academy's class schedule allows for a maximum of six Honors, DE, or AP courses per school year due to the yearly requirement of Theology and study hall.

Dual Enrollment is offered in English and Spanish courses.

### St. Agnes Premier Programs

#### **Community Service**

100 service hours are required for graduation.

All students complete a **Path to Caritas Capstone Project**. This project offers our students the opportunity to explore injustices in our society, connect with local non-profit organizations, and apply their understanding of the Circle of Social Action: to see, judge, and act.

SAA's Fine Arts program celebrates self-expression and connects students to history, diverse culture, and their own imagination.

Calliope magazine is published entirely by SAA students. Student works in Calliope include several Columbia Scholastic Gold Circle Awards and Mid-South Scholastic Art Keys.

#### Theater Arts

Students perform at local soup kitchens, nursing homes, and special needs day programs. The awardwinning program boasts alumnae pursuing careers in theatre arts with a foundation in performance and production. Students gain organizational skills, time management, working together toward a common goal, tenacity, and empathy.

Students are recognized and awarded for their performances by the Orpheum High School Musical Theatre Awards (HSMTA) to celebrate their musical and theatrical achievements.

For the 2025-2026 school year, there are three student productions: Cobweb Dreams, The Butler Did It!, and Shrek the Musical.

#### **Athletics**

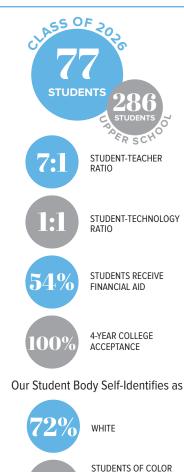
St. Agnes offers athletic opportunities for all students in grades JK-12. The Upper School participates in TSSAA Division II-AA.

The Class of 2025 had one student sign to play collegiate sports at the NAIA level.

- 78% of students participated in 1 or more varsity sports in the 2024-2025 school year
- 11 varsity sports 2024-2025 Awards and Recognitions
  - 18 state championships overall ☆ Volleyball state qualifier
- Bowling Region Champions, State Champions
  - Track Region Champions, 6 individual state qualifiers, one individual state champion (pole vault)

Exchange Program

SAA has a partnership with the Colegio La Salle in Costa Rica. SAA host families welcome La Salle students each January for two weeks. Selected SAA students travel to Costa Rica for two weeks to stay with host families and are immersed in Costa Rican culture and education.



BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN,

ASIAN, HISPANIC, OTHER,

UNDISCLOSED

### **NEW Block Schedule**

- Eight-Course Block Schedule
- All students take a full-year study hall
- 7 credits required each year (3.5 per semester)

8:30 9:50	1	8:30 9:50	5
9:55 11:15	2	9:55 11:15	6
11:20 12:05	LUNCH	11:20 12:05	LUNCH
12:10 12:40	ADVISORY / ASSEMBLY	12:10 1:30	7
12:45 2:05	3	1:35 2:55	8
2:10 3:30	4	3:00 3:30	OFFICE HOURS / HOMEROOM

### **Honor Societies**

National Student Honor Society Beta Club National English Honor Society Mu Alpha Theta (math) Rho Kappa (history) Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica (Spanish) Société Honoraire de Français (French) Latin Honor Society International Thespian Society National Art Honor Society

### **Transcript**

The cumulative GPA is weighted

65% lowest passing grade

- +1.0 Honors Course (H) additional GPA points
- +2.0 Advanced Placement Course (AP) additional GPA points
- +1.0 Dual Enrollment (DE) additional GPA points
- DE is offered through the University of Memphis and Christian Brothers University
- AP and H courses require teacher approval
- Students enrolled in AP courses are expected to sit for and/or submit a portfolio of the AP exam at the end of the course
- DE courses receive the H additional GPA points only
- Grades earned in the 8th Grade and/or previously attended high schools are not factored into the GPA calculation

### **Grading and Ranking**

St. Agnes Academy does not rank its students, with the exception of the Valedictorian, Salutatorian, and Third Honors at graduation.

## 9-12 Grading Scale

POINTS
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### Courses Offered to the Class of 2026

English 1, Honors English 1
Grammar and Composition
English 2, Honors English 2
English 3, Honors English 3
English 4, Honors English 4
Honors DE English 4
AP English Language and Composition
AP English Literature and Composition

Algebra 1, **Honors** Algebra 1 Concepts of Mathematics Geometry, **Honors** Geometry Algebra 2, **Honors** Algebra 2 Precalculus, **Honors** Precalculus **AP** Precalculus Advanced Algebra and Trigonometry **AP** Calculus AB **AP** Statistics

Theology 1, 2, 3, and 4

Biology 1, Honors Biology 1

Chemistry, Honors Chemistry
Anatomy & Physiology
Honors Anatomy and Physiology
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Environmental Science
Engineering the Future
Honors Fundamentals of the Biomedical Science
Honors Pathophysiology of Diseases and Disorders
Honors Biotechnology and Healthcare

Foundations of Social Science
U.S. History, **Honors** U.S. History, **AP** U.S. History
World History, **Honors** World History **AP** World History Modern
U.S. Government, **AP** U.S. Government
Personal Finance
Introduction to Psychology **AP** Psychology
History Through Film

Latin 1 and 2
Honors Latin 3 and 4
French 1, 2, and 3
Honors French 3 and 4
Spanish 1 and 2
Honors Spanish 3 and 4
Honors DE Spanish 3 and 4
AP Spanish Language and Culture

Health Physical Educatior

Freshman Leadership The Power to Lead

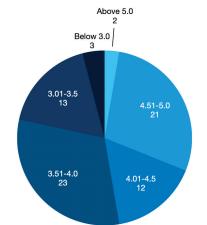
Art 1, 2, 3, and 4
Honors Art 3
AP Art
Journalism
Intermediate Theatre Arts
Advanced Theatre Arts
Vocal Music 1, 2, and 3
Inquiry Into the Humanities
Oral Communications

Test Prep 3D Design Principles Family and Consumer Science Media Arts 1, and 2 Video/Broadcast Journalism

### Class of 2026 By the Numbers

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Class of	2025	2026			
# of Seniors	75	77			
Average Sixth Semester Cum Weighted GPA	3.80	4.00			
Highest Sixth Semester Cum Weighted GPA	5.01	5.03			
Lowest Sixth Semester cum weighted GPA	2.34	2.72			
Average Highest ACT Composite	24	24			
Highest ACT Composite	34	35			
Lowest ACT Composite	15	14			
Average ACT Superscore	25	24			
Highest ACT Superscore	33	35			
Lowest ACT Superstore	15	14			

#### **GPA Distribution**



## **College Board Recognition**









### **AP School Honor Roll**

School Year	2024	2025
Took 1 or More AP Courses	99	93
# of AP Exams Taken	201	203
% of exams with scores of 3 or higher	85%	91%

College Acceptances (2021-2025)

