

WHITFIELD SCHOOL

School Profile 2020-2021

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Accreditations

Independent School Association of the Central States (ISACS)

National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS)

Mission

Whitfield School cultivates ethical, confident, successful students in a community of innovation, collaboration, and trust.

The School

Founded in 1952, Whitfield School is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory day school for grades six through twelve, located on a 26-acre campus in West St. Louis County, Missouri. Whitfield School's demanding, student-centered academic program coupled with the support of a dedicated, world-class faculty, prepares graduates for both the college experience and life beyond. Our curriculum provides a strong liberal arts education and varied electives, allowing students to pursue specialized interests in science, language, humanities, and the arts. All students, faculty, and staff are issued a Windows-based tablet PC and have access to a variety of robust physical and digital resources that support the school's academic program.



WHITFIELD SCHOOL HABITS OF MIND & HEART

ETHICAL CONDUCT: a personal commitment to right action
CULTURAL COMPETENCE: openness to and understanding of others
CITIZENSHIP: the practice of liberty, equity and justice
in community

MINDFULNESS: awareness of the present moment, curiosity, self-assessment

LEADERSHIP: willingness to make a difference, take a stand, become a role model

SCHOLARSHIP: the pursuit, creation, and application of knowledge and understanding

Habits of Mind and Heart

Whitfield School has been committed to character education as the cornerstone of our college preparatory experience throughout our history. This is articulated implemented across and community through the Habits of Mind and Heart. Whitfield students engage in ongoing opportunities to discover their personal mission in the journey of life, are empowered to achieve their goals, and see this journey as one that unfolds in the company of others. The Habits of Mind and Heart are divided into six focus areas detailed in the adjoining chart.

Whitfield at a Glance

Total student body: 450 **Zip codes represented:** 68 **Full-time faculty:** 57

Faculty with advanced degrees: 43

Students of color: 38% International students: 5%

Curriculum and Course Work, Class of 2021

Whitfield's academic goals are set at the highest standard. Our curriculum matches or exceeds the most demanding requirements for college preparation. Independent study in language, mathematics, and sciences is offered for the exceptional student who completes Whitfield's curriculum early. An outline of the curriculum is below.

Advanced Course Work

Whitfield School's commitment to intellectual curiosity, experiential learning, and deep critical thinking is best achieved through the rigorous courses designed by our faculty to meet our students' needs. As such, all core academic subject course work is taught at the honors level or above. We offer a select number of accelerated options and AP courses, primarily in mathematics, science, and world languages.

Grade 9

- Literature and Composition: Encountering the Other
- Early Modern World History: 1400-1800
- Algebra or Geometry
- Biology
- World Language (French, Mandarin, Spanish)
- Fine Arts
- Physical Education/Foundations in Wellness
- Advisory

Grade 11

- English 11: Pursuit of the American Dream
- United States History (dual enrollment option available)
- Advanced Algebra, Algebra III/Trigonometry, Precalculus, or AP Calculus AB
- Physics I (accelerated option available), or Chemistry (AP available)
- World Language (AP available; French, Mandarin, Spanish)
- Colloquium
- Elective options: Fine Arts, Advanced Science elective, Advanced Social Studies elective, Latin



Grade 10

- Literature and Composition: The Assertion of Self
- Modern World History: 1800-Present
- Geometry or Advanced Algebra
- Chemistry (accelerated option available) or Field Studies
- World Language (French, Mandarin, Spanish)
- Forum
- Elective options: Fine Arts, Science elective, World Language elective. Social Studies elective

Grade 12

- Senior English Selection: Beauty, Truth & Justice or Communication and Innovation
- Social Studies Selection: Human Rights & Genocide, Economics, or Psychology
- Senior Math Topics, Precalculus, Introduction to Calculus, AP Calculus (AB or BC), or AP Statistics
- Advanced Science Selection: AP Biology, AP Chemistry, Environmental Science, Accelerated Physics II, Anatomy & Physiology, or Principles of Engineering Design
- World Language: French, Mandarin, Spanish, Latin (AP Available)
- Senior Seminar
- Elective options: Fine Arts, Science elective, Social Studies elective, Latin

Special Features of the Whitfield Experience

Advisory Program: The Habits of Mind and Heart guide our advisory program. All students participate in advisory, referred to by different names depending on grade level. During the advisory program, students focus on discovering strengths, interest exploration, topics in equity and inclusion, and mental and emotional well-being, in addition to college and career exploration and preparedness.

Advanced Placement Exams: While Whitfield does offer a few College Board AP courses, our non-AP course curriculum often prepares students to sit for AP exams. Typically, students will sit for exams in Biology, Calculus AB and BC, Chemistry, Computer Science A and Principles, English Language, French Language, Physcis 1, 2, and Mechanics, Psychology, Spanish Language and Spanish Literature, Statistics, and others.

The Senior Internship: For the final three weeks of the school year, all seniors participate in an internship. This 30+ hours/week experience is developed by the student with faculty guidance. The student is responsible for designing and securing his or her experience. After the internship is complete, the students give a presentation to the Whitfield community on their experiences.

COVID-19 Pandemic Adjustments

From March 15, 2020 through May 22, 2020, Whitfield School transitioned to a hybrid learning environment, combining asynchronous and live coursework in response to Covid 19. All students completed the curriculum for their classes as planned for the 2019-2020 school year. Grades were issued according to the 4.0 grading system listed below.

For the 2020-2021 school year, Whitfield will begin as scheduled with full-time, in-person instruction for grades 6 - 9. Grades 10-12 will receive instruction through a three-week rotation of 2 weeks of in-person classes and 1 week of live, online class. We are prepared to deliver our full academic experience remotely if the need arises. Each grade will complete the regularly planned curriculum regardless of delivery method. All students will be graded on the 4.0 grading system listed below

School Schedule and Transcripts

Whitfield has a trimester schedule. Our first trimester typically ends in the second week in November. First trimester transcripts are sent as soon as they are available in late November or early December. This transcript also serves as the Mid-Year Transcript. The second trimester ends in mid to late February and an updated transcript will be available in early March. This may be sent upon request from either a student or a college to which the student has applied. Final transcripts are sent in mid-June.

Testing

Whitfield School does not report any test scores on the transcript. Students arrange with the testing services to have scores sent directly to colleges and universities.

Grading

The GPA: Grades, including those for AP, Honors, and Accelerated courses, are unweighted. Whitfield's grading and curriculum reflect the rigor appropriate for the challenge of college preparatory work. We reiterate, **ALL core classes are taught at the honors level or above.**

The cumultive GPA reflects all course work completed at Whitfield in grades 9-12. No course work completed outside of Whitfield is reported on the transcript or in the cumulative GPA. A student's GPA is based on a 4.0 system calculated on the end of year grades each year with the following value system:

Letter	GPA	Points									
Grade	Points	Earned									
Α	4.0	93-100	B+	3.33	87-89	C+	2.33	77-79	D+	1.33	67-69
A-	3.67	90-92	В	3.00	83-86	С	2.00	73-76	D	1.00	63-66
			B-	2.67	80-82	C-	1.67	70-72	D-	0.67	60-62
									F	0.00	0-59



Class of 2020 Placement Profile

- 100% admitted to four-year schools
- Accepted to 187 different schools
- 66 graduates attending 55 different schools
- 68% attending private colleges & universities
- 32% attending public colleges & universities
- 86% enrolled out-of-state
- 56% enrolled outside the Midwest

Class of 2021 at a Glance...

77 seniors in the class of 2021

Highest GPA: 4.0

Middle 50% of cumulative GPAs at the end of junior year ranged from: 3.33 to 3.88

Median GPA: 3.6

Mean GPA: 3.55

In recognition of Whitfield's philosophy of personalization and small class size, Whitfield students are not ranked.

College Acceptances and Matriculations, Classes of 2016-2020

Over the last five years, 349 Whitfield School graduates have been accepted to 397 different colleges and universities in the United States, Canada, France, and the United Kingdom. Our graduates have chosen to attend 166 different schools as highlighted below.

Adelphi University **American University** Appalachian State University **Arizona State University Augustana College** Baldwin Wallace University Ball State University Bangor University Bard College Barry University **Bates College**

Baylor University Becker College Belhaven University **Belmont University** Benedictine College Binghamton University

Boston College Boston University Bournemouth University (UK) **Bowdoin College**

Bowling Green State University **Bradley University** Brandeis University

Brenau University Bryn Mawr College **Bucknell University Butler University**

Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo California Baptist University California Institute of the Arts California Lutheran University

California State Univ., Long Beach Cardinal Stritch University

Carleton University (Canada) Carnegie Mellon University Carthage College

Case Western Reserve University Catholic University of Lyon (France)

Centre College Chapman University Clark Atlanta University

Clark University Cleveland State University

Coe College Colby College Colgate University College of Charleston College of the Holy Cross Colorado College **Colorado Mountain College**

Colorado School of Mines Colorado State University Columbia College

Columbia College Chicago Cornell College Creighton University Culver-Stockton College Curry College

Dartmouth College Davidson College

Denison University DePaul University DePauw University

Dickinson College Dillard University **Dominican University Drake University**

Drevel University Drury University

Eastern Kentucky University Eckerd College

Elon University Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Univ.

Emerson College Emory University Fairfield University

Fashion Institute of Technology Felician University

Fisher College Fisk University Flagler College Florida A&M University Florida Gulf Coast University

Florida Institute of Technology Florida International University Florida State University Fontbonne University Fordham University Fort Lewis College Franklin & Marshall College

Furman University **George Washington University**

Georgetown University **Georgia Institute of Technology**

Georgia Southern University **Gettysburg College**

Gonzaga University Greenville University **Grinnell College Guilford College**

Hampton University Hawaii Pacific University **Hendrix College**

High Point University Hofstra University Hope College

Howard University Illinois Institute of Technology Illinois State University Illinois Wesleyan University Indiana State University

Indiana Univ. at Bloomington Indiana U-Purdue U Indianapolis Institut National de Sciences Appliquees de Lvon (France)

Iowa State University Jacksonville University Jefferson University John Carroll University

Kansas City Art Institute **Kansas State University**

Kent State University **Kenyon College** Knox College **Lafayette College** LaGrange College

Lake Forest College Lamar University Langston University Lasell College Lawrence University

Le Moyne College **Lehigh University** Lewis & Clark College

Lewis and Clark Community College Lewis University

LIM College Lincoln College

Lindenwood University Lipscomb University

Long Island University, Brooklyn Louisiana State University

Loyola Marymount University Loyola University Chicago

Loyola University Maryland **Loyola University New Orleans**

Luther College Lvnn University Lyon College **Macalester College**

Marguette University **Maryland Institute College of Art Marymount Manhattan College**

Marymount University **Maryville University** McDaniel College McGill University (Canada) McKendree University Metropolitan State Univ. of Denver **Miami University, Oxford**

Michigan State University Michigan Technological University Middle Tennessee State Univ.

Middlesex University (UK) Millikin University Mineral Area College

Mississippi State University Missouri Baptist University Missouri Southern State Univ.

Missouri State University Missouri U of Science & Tech Missouri Western State Univ.

Moberly Area Community College Montana State University

Morehouse College Morgan State University Muhlenberg College

Murray State University New York School of Interior Design New York University Niagara College

North Carolina A&T University North Central College

North Central Texas College North Central University **Northeastern University** Northern Arizona University

Northwest Missouri State Univ. **Northwestern University Nova Southeastern University** Oberlin College

Oberlin Conservatory of Music OCAD University (Canada) Occidental College

Ohio Wesleyan University Oklahoma Wesleyan University **Otterbein University**

Oxford College of Emory University Pace University - New York

Pennsylvania State University Pennsylvania State Univ. - Beaver Pennsylvania State Univ. - Harrisburg

Philander Smith College Piedmont College Pratt Institute Providence College

Purdue University Randolph-Macon College Ravenshourne (UK)

Reed College

Regis University Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Rhode Island School of Design **Rhodes College**

Ringling College of Art and Design **Rochester Institute of Technology Rockhurst University**

Roger Williams University Rollins College Roosevelt University

Rose-Hulman Inst. of Technology Royal Holloway Univ. of London (UK)

Rutgers University Ryerson University (Canada) Saint Joseph's University

Saint Louis University Saint Mary's College of California

Saint Mary's University of Minnesota Saint Paul College Saint Xavier University

Samford University San Diego State University **Santa Clara University** Savannah Coll. of Art & Design

School of the Art Inst. of Chicago School of Visual Arts

Seton Hall University

Sewanee: The U of the South **Shawnee Community College** Sheffield Hallam University (UK)

Simpson University Smith College

Southeast Missouri State Univ. Southern Illinois Univ., Carbondale Southern Illinois Univ., Edwardsville

Southern Methodist University Southwestern University Spelman College

St. Charles Community College

St. John's University St. Louis College of Pharmacy St. Olaf College

State Technical College of Missouri Univ. of Missouri-St. Louis

Stephens College Stetson University Stony Brook University Suffolk University SUNY at Morrisville SUNY at New Paltz SUNY at Purchase

Syracuse University Temple University Tennessee State University

Texas Christian University

The College of Saint Rose The College of Wooster The Juilliard School

The New England Conservatory of Music University of Portland

The New School The Ohio State University

The University of Alabama **The University of Arizona** The University of Findlay

The University of Memphis The Univ. of N. Carolina at Chapel Hill

The University of Tampa The University of Texas at Dallas The University of the Arts

Trinity University Truman State University Tufts University Tulane University US Merchant Marine Academy US Military Academy

US Naval Academy Univ. Claude Bernard Lyon 1 (France) Universite de Strasbourg (France) Universite Montpellier (France) Universite Paris - Denis Diderot (France)

University at Buffalo, SUNY University of Alabama at Birmingham **University of Arkansas**

Univ. of Arkansas at Little Rock **University of California-Davis** University of California-Irvine University of California-Los Angeles

University of California-Riverside University of California-San Diego University of California-Santa Barbara

University of Central Missouri University of Charleston

University of Cinncinnati **Univ. of Colorado Boulder** Univ. of Colo., Col. Springs Univ. of Colorado, Denver **University of Dayton University of Delaware**

University of Denver University of East London (UK) University of Evansville University of Florida

University of Georgia University of Greenwich (UK) University of Hartford U of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign University of Indianapolis University of Iowa

University of Jamestown **University of Kansas** University of Kentucky **University of Louisville**

Univ of Maine at Presque Island **University of Maryland**

Univ. of Massachusetts, Boston Univ. of Mass., Dartmouth

University of Miami Univ. of Michigan-Ann Arbor Univ. of Minn.-Twin Cities University of Mississippi Univ. of Missouri-Columbia

Univ. of Missouri-Kansas City University of Montana University of Nebraska-Lincoln

University of Nevada-Reno University of New Hampshire University of New Haven

University of North Alabama Univ. of North Carolina-Asheville

University of North Texas University of Notre Dame University of Oklahoma University of Oregon

Univ. of Ottawa (Canada) University of Pennsylvania **University of Pittsburgh**

University of Puget Sound University of Redlands

University of Rhode Island University of Richmond **University of Rochester**

University of San Diego University of San Francisco University of South Carolina University of South Florida

Univ. of Southern California Univ. of the Arts London (UK)

University of the Ozarks University of the Pacific Univ. of the West of England (UK) University of Toledo University of Toronto (Canada)

University of Tulsa University of Utah University of Vermont

University of Virginia University of Washington Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison **University of Wyoming**

Valparaiso University **Vanderbilt University** Vassar College

Villanova University Virginia Tech Waldorf University

Washington State University Washington U in St. Louis **Webster University**

West Virginia University Western Colorado University Western Illinois University Western Washington Univ.

Westminster College - MO

Wheaton College **Whitman College** Whittier College

Witchita State University Willamette University William and Mary

Worcester Polytechnic Institute **Xavier University**

Xavier University of Louisiana