

SCHOOL PROFILE

2019-2020



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Current Enrollment

| Preschool | 122 |
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| K3-5 | 488 |
| 6-8 | 243 |
| 9-12 | 334 |
| K3_12 | 1.065 |

Class of 2019 Academic Profile

ACT average: 24.3 Top 25%: 29

Accreditations

Cognia (formerly AdvancED)

American Association of Christian Schools

South Carolina Association of Christian Schools

About Us

Bob Jones Academy is an independent school serving students in preschool through grade 12. Founded in 1927, BJA is well known for its excellent Christian education. All faculty members are certified through the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools (SCACS); over 50 percent of all faculty have advanced degrees. BJA enjoys high faculty retention and experience—over 75 percent of faculty have 10 or more years of classroom experience, and many faculty members have also authored textbooks or developed online courses.

Mission Statement

Bob Jones Academy exists to assist like-minded Christian parents in challenging students to love Jesus Christ, to embrace God's truth, to exercise integrity, to pursue excellence and to serve others.

Academic Program

Twenty-four credits are required for graduation. In BJA's college-preparatory high school program, classes are 50 minutes long and meet five days a week. In addition to a full slate of rigorous college prep courses, BJA offers an honors track—math and science—and general courses in the core areas. BJA has a robust dual-credit program through its affiliated regionally accredited college, Bob Jones University.

Graduation Requirements: 24 Total Credits

Bible—2 credits
English—4 credits
Mathematics—4 credits
Science—3 credits
Social Studies—3 credits
Computer Science—1 credit
Foreign Language—1 credit
Physical Education—1 credit
Electives—5 credits

Grading Scale

BJA uses the standard South Carolina Grading Policy:

A, 90–100; B, 80–89; C, 70–79; D, 60–69; F, 0–59.

BJA calculates a weighted (South Carolina Uniform Grading Policy) GPA. The weighted SCUGP GPA is used to calculate class rank. In the SCUGP, honors courses receive an additional 0.5 quality point and dual-credit courses receive an additional 1 quality point.

Honors Courses

Algebra I, Algebra II, Biology, Chemistry, Concert Band, Concert Choir, French III, Geometry, Handbell Choir, Introductory Physics and Intermediate Physics, Introduction to Calculus, Orchestra, Precalculus

Dual-Credit Courses

Common classes taken include the following: Calculus I, Calculus II, Composition & Literature, Composition & Rhetoric, Computer Science Foundations, Fundamentals of Counseling, Fundamentals of Speech, General Psychology, History of Civilization, Intermediate Spanish, Introduction to Business, Introduction to Criminal Justice, Introduction to the Arts, Photography I, Principles of Accounting I and II, Principles of Marketing, Survey of French Literature, Themes in Western Thought.

Extracurricular Program

BJA's high school extracurricular program includes a robust forensics and mock trial program as well as strong fine arts and athletic opportunities.

- Activities: student body officers, class officers, *Academian* (yearbook) staff, *Triangle* (newspaper) staff, speech and debate, mock trial and stage crew
- Community outreach: New York mission trip, community work days, visits to special needs settings (e.g., nursing home)

Fine Arts Program

BJA's high school fine arts program is built on a strong foundation (beginning at the elementary level) and includes the following opportunities:

- Band and orchestra competitions—superior ratings at concert festivals
- · Handbell choir
- · Vocal choir—performances at area venues, such as the Biltmore Estate in Asheville, North Carolina
- Music lessons from college professors
- Speech and debate competition
 - 1A state champions
 - Nationally ranked by the National Speech & Debate Association
- Mock trial competition—previous state and national champions
- School plays



Athletics

BJA is a member of the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools athletic league. The program includes the following opportunities:

- Boys soccer (2013–2018 state champions)
- Girls soccer (2019 state champions)
- Boys volleyball
- Girls volleyball (2013–2017 state champions)
- Boys basketball (2014 and 2019 state champions)
- Girls basketball (2015, 2016, 2018, and 2019 state champions)
- · Girls cheerleading
- Cross country

Class of 2019

- Graduates: 92
- College acceptance: 86
- Selected work or military service: 6

- South Carolina Palmetto Fellows Scholarships: 14
- South Carolina Life Scholarships: 28
- South Carolina Hope Scholarships: 28

Examples of Colleges and Universities to Which BJA Graduates Have Been Admitted

Ambassador Baptist College

Anderson University

Bob Jones University

Bryan College

Cedarville University

Charleston Southern University

Clemson University
College of Charleston

Converse College

Covenant College

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Furman University

Gardner-Webb University

Georgia Institute of Technology

Georgia Southern University

Greenville Technical College

Indiana University

ITT Technical Institute

Lander University

Liberty University

Limestone College

Maranatha Baptist University

New York University

North Greenville University

Northeastern University

Pensacola Christian College

Purdue University

Texas A&M University

Texas Christian University

The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina

The University of Iowa

United States Air Force Academy

United States Military Academy at West Point

University of Hawaii System

University of Illinois

University of Kentucky

University of South Carolina

Vanderbilt University

Winthrop University

Wofford College