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HEAD OF SCHOOL

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CURRENT ENROLLMENT

Preschool	125
K3–K5	199
1–5	457
6–8	290
9–12	375
K3–12	1321

CLASS OF 2025

ACT average	24.6
Top 25%	30.0

ACCREDITATIONS

- Cogna
- American Association of Christian Schools
- South Carolina Association of Christian Schools

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
World Language	1 credit
Physical Education	1 credit
Personal Finance	½ credit
... (starting with class of 2027)	
Electives	.5 credits

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. BJA enjoys high faculty experience, education and retention. All faculty members are certified through the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools (SCACS). Over 50% of faculty and administration have advanced degrees. Over 65% of faculty have 10 or more years of classroom experience, and many faculty members have also authored textbooks or developed online courses.

Mission Statement & Guiding Principles

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.

Eternity-focused: Compelled by the invisible, lasting reality to know, love and serve God

Unified: Building body-of-Christ relationships; seeking and giving candid, edifying feedback

Growing: Mindset of continuous self-reflection, Bible saturation, learning and personal change

Loving: Sharing God’s love to others through joyful, second-mile service

Humble: Receiving and giving undeserved grace

Excellent: Consistently giving our best as unto the Lord, not for personal or institutional glory

Transparent: Openness to admit faults, ask forgiveness, receive grace and seek restoration

Academic Program

Twenty-four credits are required for graduation. In the 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, an honors track—math and science—and general courses in the core areas are offered. A robust dual-credit program is offered through its affiliated regionally accredited college, Bob Jones University.

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

A weighted (South Carolina Uniform Grading Policy) 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, Debate, Geometry, Global Studies, Handbell Choir, Orchestra, Physical Science, Physics, Precalculus

Dual-Credit Courses

Common classes taken include the following: Calculus I, Calculus II, Composition & Literature, Composition & Rhetoric, Creation to New Creation, Elementary & Intermediate Spanish/French, Fundamentals of Counseling, Fundamentals of Speech, General Psychology, Ideas & Their Consequences, Principles of Management, Introduction to Criminal Justice, Christianity and the Arts, Making of the Modern World, Principles of Accounting I and II, Principles of Marketing

Extracurricular Program

The high school program includes extracurricular opportunities to develop students spiritually, physically, creatively and socially.

- Activities: Student body officers, class officers, *Academian* (yearbook) staff, *Triangle* (newspaper) staff, speech and debate, mock trial and stage crew
- Community outreach: Ministry trips, community work days, visits to special needs settings (e.g., nursing homes)

Fine Arts Program

The high school fine arts program builds on instruction at the elementary and middle school levels.

MUSIC

- Classes: Band, Orchestra, Vocal choir, Handbell choir
- Extracurricular opportunities: Private and group instrument and vocal lessons
- Performances: Semester concerts, community performances
- Awards: Superior ratings at festivals and competitions

SPEECH

- Classes: Introduction to Speech, Speech I & II, Drama, Debate
- Extracurricular opportunities: Speech & Debate team, Mock Trial team
- Performances: School plays, speech competitions
- Awards: I A Speech & Debate state champions; nationally recognized coaches; previous state and national Mock Trial champions

VISUAL ARTS

- Classes: Studio Art, rotation of advanced art classes, Graphic Design
- Projects: Group and individual work in two- and three-dimensional media
- Competitions: School art show, Scholastic Arts Competition, various other opportunities

Athletics

Member of the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools athletic league, participating in:

- Boys soccer (2013–2018 state champions)
- Girls soccer (2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 state champions)
- Boys volleyball (2019, 2022 state champions)
- Girls volleyball (2013–2017, 2022 state champions)
- Boys basketball (2014 and 2019, 2021, 2024 state champions)
- Girls basketball (2016–2021 state champions)
- Girls cheerleading
- Cross country (2021, 2022 state champions)
- Golf (2024 state champions)
- Boys baseball (2022, 2025 state champions)

Member of NACA (National Association of Christian Athletes), participating in:

- Boys soccer (2019, 2022 Division Champions)
- Boys basketball
- Girls basketball (2023 champions)



Class of 2025

- Graduates: 89
- College acceptance: 77
- Selected work or military service: 12
- South Carolina Palmetto Fellows Scholarships: 16
- South Carolina Life Scholarships: 33
- South Carolina Hope Scholarships: 39

Colleges and Universities to Which BJA Graduates Have Been Admitted

Ambassador Baptist College
Anderson University
Auburn University
Bob Jones University
Bryan College
Cedarville University
Charleston Southern University
The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina
Clemson University
College of Charleston
Columbia International University
Converse University
Covenant College
The Crown College of the Bible

Gardner-Webb University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia Southern University
Greenville Technical College
Furman University
Limestone University
Indiana University
Lander University
Liberty University
Maranatha Baptist University
New York University
Northeastern University
North Greenville University
Patrick Henry College
Pensacola Christian College

Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
Tri-County Technical College
United States Air Force Academy
United States Military Academy at West Point
University of Alabama
University of Illinois
The University of Iowa
University of South Carolina
Vanderbilt University
Winthrop University
Wofford College