

The Donoho School



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2012 College Admission Profile

The Donoho School is an independent, non-sectarian, co-educational, college-preparatory day school for capable, highly motivated students. The school emphasizes a commitment to excellence and honor in all areas of learning and challenges students to maximize their potential while developing responsibility and character. The school is committed to the development of the total child by providing a challenging curriculum in an atmosphere conducive to good citizenship and personal integrity. Students are expected to develop a proficiency in English, mathematics, history, science, foreign language, and technology, as well as an appreciation for the fine arts. The school admits academically qualified students without regard to race, creed, color, sex, or national and ethnic origin.

The Donoho School was selected by the U.S. Department of Education as a 2005 Blue Ribbon School. The school was the *only* school in the state of Alabama selected to receive this prestigious honor.

Grades	PK3-12
Enrollment	375
Upper School	101
Middle School	70
Lower School	204
Teaching Faculty	33
Student-Faculty Ratio	11:1
Average Class Size	18

Accreditation:

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Southern Association of Independent Schools

School Code: 010109



Class of 2011—20 Students—Profile of Earned Averages (yearly averages for senior coursework)

A+	13%	B+	3%	C+	3%	D	1%
A	23%	B	13%	C	15%	F	0%
A-	14%	B-	7%	C-	7%		

GPA 3.82*

**Grade point average (GPA) is calculated using core academic courses plus foreign language. The Donoho School does not compute rank-in class or numerical averages except for the purpose of determining valedictorian and salutatorian. Honors and AP courses carry a 1.1 weighting for the school's purposes only.

Academic Standards

All grades are reported to the office as whole numbers, and the following conversion to letter grades applies to all courses:

98-100	A+	88-89	B+	78-79	C+	65-69	D
93-97	A	83-87	B	73-77	C	0-64	F
90-92	A-	80-82	B-	70-72	C-		

ACT Scores — Average 2008-2012

English	27.6
Math	25.3
Reading	26.8
Science	25.1
Composite	26.2

SAT Scores — Average 2008-2012

Reading	626
Math	609
Writing	626
Total	1861

Janice D. Hurd
President
Head of School

Laura A. Phillips
Dean of Academics
Lower School Principal

Karen L. Hester
Dean of Students
Middle School Coordinator

Jacqueline F. Gaines
Director of Guidance
Middle/Upper School Counselor

Sue G. Canter
Admissions Director
Lower School Counselor

Advanced Placement Program

Donoho offers the following AP courses: Biology, Calculus AB, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Economics, European History, French, Government, Psychology, Spanish, and U.S. History. Eleven of the twenty-four members of the class of 2012 took a total of forty-four AP exams; Seventy-seven percent were scored three or higher. One member of the class of 2012 earned the honor of *AP Scholar with Distinction*; three members were named *AP Scholars with Honor*, and one was named as an *AP Scholar*.

National Merit Scholars

Two members of the class of 2012 were named as National Merit Finalists; one member was named as a National Merit Semi-Finalist.

Dual Enrollment

Qualified juniors and seniors may earn credit through Jacksonville State University in the following courses:

- Calculus
- English Grammar and Composition
- French
- Government
- Precalculus
- Spanish
- U.S. History

College Scholarships

One hundred percent of the members of the class of 2012 who pursued scholarship opportunities received academic, athletic, and special achievement awards valued at more than \$7.7 million.

College Attendance

Since its founding, The Donoho School has established an excellent record of 100 percent acceptance of its students into college. Graduates have been accepted by such highly competitive institutions as the following:

Agnes Scott College	Georgia Institute of Technology	Penn State University	University of Louisville
Alabama A&M University	Georgetown University	Pomona College	University of Miami
Amherst College	Grinnell College	Presbyterian College	University of Michigan
Appalachian State University	Hampden-Sydney College	Princeton University	University of Mississippi
Arizona State University	Harvard University	Providence College	University of Montevallo
Auburn University	Hollins University	Purdue University	University of New Orleans
Baylor University	Howard University	Randolph-Macon College	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Belhaven College	Jacksonville State University	Rhodes College	University of Oklahoma
Berry College	Johns Hopkins University	Rollins College	University of Pennsylvania
Birmingham-Southern College	Judson College	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	The University of the South
Bob Jones University	Kenyon College	Samford University	University of South Alabama
Boston University	Kettering University	Sewanee: The University of the South	University of South Carolina
Brown University	King's College	Shorter College	University of Southern California
Carleton College	Liberty University	Smith College	University of Tennessee
Carson Newman College	Louisiana State University	Southern Methodist University	University of Texas
Case Western Reserve University	Loyola University	St. Olaf College	University of Virginia
Catholic University of America	Mary Baldwin College	Stanford University	United States Air Force Academy
Centre College	Maryville University	Swarthmore College	United States Military Academy
The Citadel	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Texas A&M University	United States Naval Academy
Colby College	Michigan State University	Trinity College	Vanderbilt University
College of Charleston	Miami University	Troy University	Vassar College
College of William and Mary	Middlebury College	Tufts University	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Colgate University	Millsaps College	Tulane University	Wake Forest University
Colorado College	Mississippi State University	Tuskegee University	Washington and Lee University
Colorado School of Mines	Mississippi College	University of Alabama	Wesleyan University
Converse College	Montana State University	University of Alabama at Birmingham	Western Carolina University
Cornell University	Morehouse College	University of Alabama at Huntsville	Western State College of Colorado
Davidson College	Mount Holyoke College	University of Chicago	Willamette University
Drew University	New College	University of Cincinnati	Williams College
Duke University	New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology	University of Colorado	Wingate University
Emory University	Northwestern University	University of Florida	Wofford College
Florida State University	Ohio State University	University of Georgia	Yale University
Furman University	Oral Roberts University	University of Kansas	
George Mason University		University of Kentucky	

Graduation Requirements

Students must complete the following coursework to be considered for graduation from The Donoho School:

- 4 units of English
- 4 units of history
- 4 units of mathematics
- 3 units of one foreign language or 4 units in each of two foreign languages
- 4 units of science, including one life and one physical science
- .5 units of public speaking
- .5 units of computer applications
- .5 units of health
- .5 units of physical education or approved equivalent
- .5 units of fine arts appreciation
- 3 .5 units of electives
- 15 hours of community service per year in grades 9-12

Memberships

Alabama Association of Independent Schools
Alabama High School Athletic Association
The College Board
National Association for College Admission Counseling
National Association of Independent Schools
National Association of Secondary Schools Principals
National Honor Society
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Southern Association of Independent Schools