

2019-2020 ACADEMIC PROFILE

Spring Ridge Academy is committed to a choice for change, success, and excellence.



PHILOSOPHY

At Spring Ridge Academy, we believe that in order for our students to succeed in life they must learn to succeed in the classroom. Our high-quality, rich, diverse, and rigorous academic program provides students with a safe place to take risks, solve problems, work collaboratively, be curious and creative, and develop effective communication skills. Our faculty works to uphold honesty, connection, accountability, responsibility, and respect in all aspects of our work. These core values build strong relationships between students and their teachers, who work in conjunction with the therapeutic program to help students overcome self-limiting beliefs, attitudes, and behaviors. These skills and values build a foundation for excellence and success in our students' lives beyond high school.

CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT

What sets Spring Ridge Academy apart from other programs is the quality of education we provide in a therapeutic setting. With a maximum class ratio of 12:1, our small classes allow for both group interaction and individual attention. Classes are discussion-oriented, offering students the opportunity to share insights and learning while creating a safe atmosphere for students to learn. It also allows teachers to build relationships with each of their students, preventing students' needs, fears, or struggles from going unnoticed.

Classes meet for ninety-minutes on a rotating A/B block schedule. The ninety-minute block allows time for students to work on large projects, start homework, and receive one-on-one attention. Students attend three classes per day with the opportunity to earn 3 credits per semester. Our year-round model offers two semesters (four quarters); these longer semesters provide more opportunities to build core skills and go deeper into the subjects.

Our teachers are certified, experienced and highly qualified in their subject areas. Many hold a master's degree or higher.

INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION

Upon enrollment, all students are assigned an academic mentor who works in a treatment team to develop an academic plan that focuses on the strengths and needs of the student. We know that all learners have unique needs. For some students this means maintaining the high level of achievement they have experienced previously, while for others it may mean confronting fears and struggles that kept them from their potential.

Academic mentors regularly work with the rest of the faculty and the student to gather feedback about academic and behavioral patterns and learning style. The academic faculty understands the relationship between the socioemotional needs of the student and their academic progress. We address this relationship through both therapeutic modalities and individual academic planning. Over time, Spring Ridge Academy students learn how to develop their own academic plans, self-advocate, and face challenges.

ACCREDITATION AND MEMBERSHIP

Our curriculum is designed to both assist students who have struggled or fallen behind and to challenge and prepare students for future academic endeavors. SRA is fully accredited by Cognia (formerly AdvancED). As members of the National Association of Therapeutic Schools and Programs (NATSAP) and the Independent Education Consultant's Association (IECA), we are regarded as a leader in the industry given the scope of our clinical treatment and college preparatory academic learning environment.



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HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English	4 credits
Mathematics	4 credits
Science	3 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
Foreign Language	0 credits*
Electives	3.5 credits
Fine Arts	2 credits
Health	1/2 credit
Physical Education	2 credits
Total	22 credits

*Foreign Language: 2 credits required for college admission

GRADING SCALE

<i>Letter</i>	<i>Percentage</i>	<i>GPA*</i>
A	100-90	4.0
B	89-80	3.0
C	79-70	2.0
D**	69-60	1.0
F	59 and under	0

* GPA is unweighted

** Students who earn a grade of D at Spring Ridge will be required to re-take the course. SRA does not rank students.

COURSE OFFERINGS

Mathematics

Algebra I and II
Geometry
AP Calculus
Trigonometry
Advanced Math
Introduction to Statistics

English Language Arts

Literature and
Composition I, II, III, IV
AP Literature and
Composition
Film as Literature

Science

Biology
Chemistry
Physics

Social Studies

World History
US History
AP US History
Government
Economics

Foreign Language

Spanish I, II, III, IV
French I, II, III, IV

Electives

Health
Physical Education
Introduction to Business
Personal Finance

Fine Art

Artistic Movement
Drawing
Animation
Drawing and Painting
Art Within
Creative Expressions
Studio Arts
Art Spectrum
Art Unleashed

SCHOOL PLACEMENT

Spring Ridge Academy's college prep curriculum prepares students for the academic challenges they will face after Spring Ridge Academy whether in a private or public secondary school, junior college or a four-year college or university. We assist students in applying to and transitioning into these academic institutions. Spring Ridge Academy freshmen, sophomores, and juniors take the PSAT in the fall, and juniors and seniors are offered courses to prepare for the SAT and ACT.



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A SAMPLE OF POST-SRA ACCEPTANCES

Secondary Schools

The Academy of St. Elizabeth	Columbine High School	The Grier School	Monte Vista High School	Stuart Hall
Adolfo Camarillo High School	Coppell High School	Holy Cross High School	Munster High School	Suffield Academy
Aerosmith Academy	Cushing Academy	The Hyde School	Pacific Hills High School	Tilton School
Alexander-Smith Academy	Darrow School	Kehillah Jewish High School	Rock Point School	University High-University of Chicago
Bishop Lynch High School	Denver Lutheran High School	Kent Hill School	St. Andrews – Sawnee School	Verde Valley School
Brewster Academy	Dublin School	Kimball Union Academy	St. Bonaventure High School	Waldorf School
Burlington High School	Dunn School	Laurel Springs School	St. Margaret's School	Wasatch Academy
Chagrin Falls High School	Emma Willard School	Linden Hall	St. Mary's, Phoenix	Winston School
Chattahoochee High School	Griffith High School	Los Altos	St. Timothy's School	Woodside High School
Chapel Hill-Chauncy Hall	Idyllwild Arts Academy	Madison High School	Santa Catalina School	Xavier College Prep
		Marvelwood School		
		Mercersburg Academy		

Colleges & Universities

Arizona State University	Elon University	Long Beach State University	Simmons College	University of Illinois
Art Institute of Chicago	Emerson College	Louisiana State University	St. Catherine's University	University of Kansas
Assumption College	Emory University	Loyola University	St. Edward's University	University of Maryland
Baylor University	Fairfield University	Lynn University	St. John's University	University of Miami
Berklee College of Music	Fairleigh Dickinson University	Lynnfield College	St. Mary's College of California	University of Mississippi
Bloomsburg University	Fort Lewis College	Marymount College	St. Mary's College of Maryland	University of New Hampshire
Boston College	Frostburg State University	McDaniel College	Stanford University	University of Notre Dame
Boston University	Furman University	Messiah College	Sterling College	University of Pittsburgh
Brandeis University	Georgetown University	Mount Holyoke College	SUNY, Cobleskill	University of Puget Sound
Bravard College	George Mason University	New York University	SUNY, Plattsburgh	University of Oklahoma
Brenau University	Georgia College	Northern Arizona University	Syracuse University	University of Southern California
Brown University	Hartwick College	North Carolina State	Temple University	University of San Diego
Bryn Mawr College	Hunter College	Northern Illinois University	Texas A & M	University of San Francisco
Bulter University	Indiana University	Oregon State University	Texas Christian University	University of Texas, San Antonio
CSU, Monterey Bay	Indiana University Southeast	The New School	The New School, Parsons School of Design	University of the Pacific
CSU, Northridge	Ithaca College	Plattsburg State University	Towsen State University	University of Vermont
California Lutheran University	Jacksonville University	Prescott College	UMass Amherst	West Virginia University
Chapman University	Kapeolani College	Rhode Island School of Design	University of Arizona	Western Washington University
Coastal Carolina College	Kennesaw State University	Sam Houston State	University of California, Santa Cruz	Whittier College
Curry College	Lasell College	San Diego State University	University of Central Florida	
DePaul University	Lake Forest College	Seton Hall University	University of Dayton	
Drexell University	Lesley University	Shippensburg University		
Eastern Illinois University	Lewis & Clark College			