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About the School

For nearly 35 years, Laurel Springs School has pioneered excellence in online education. As an accredited online private school for K-12 students and postgraduates, our students are individually challenged and supported by 157 faculty members with distinct expertise in their fields, with the majority holding advanced degrees. Laurel Springs School has successfully graduated over 6700 students and continues to expand its global reach.

Leadership

Alyssa Tormala, M.Ed., J.D., Head of School
 Pam Dalton, Ed.S., Director of Education
 Heidi McClure, Ed. D., Dean of Counseling

Student Body

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| 3,350 | 2025-26 Total Enrollment |
| 520 | Class of 2026 Graduating Seniors |
| 80% | Full-Time Students |
| 20% | Part-Time Students |
| 50 | U.S. States Represented |
| 100+ | International Countries Represented |
| 80% | Class of 2024 College-Bound Students |

High School Courses

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| 324 | College Prep Courses |
| 23 | Honors Courses |
| 24 | AP Courses |
| 99 | World Language Courses |
| 294 | UC a-g Approved Courses |
| 165 | NCAA Approved Courses |

Advanced Placement

Our students achieve high levels of academic success and demonstrate college readiness through participation in AP courses. In the 2023-24 school year, 554 students enrolled in AP courses. On average (over the past 5 years), 83% of students who take AP exams score a 3 or higher.

(Note that these numbers reflect only those scores reported to the school by the College Board, as our students take exams at multiple locations.)

Mission Statement

Laurel Springs School's mission is to engage global learners in an education that values them as individuals, integrates their passions and pursuits into academic and career pathways, and fosters inquiry, growth, mastery, purpose, and independence.

Programs at Laurel Springs

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| Elementary | AP Capstone Diploma™ |
| Middle School | Dual Enrollment |
| High School | Gap Year Program |
| The Academy at Laurel Springs | Summer Program |

Curriculum

Laurel Springs is the school of choice for motivated students who wish to balance personal needs or passions with excellent academics. We provide challenging self-paced, mastery-based academic courses in core subjects, 100+ electives courses, and six World Languages. Each semester-long College Prep, Honors, and AP course delivers a half credit and consists of 20 weeks of work with a minimum of five study hours per week. Eligible students enrolled in our full-time high school, Academy, or Gap Year programs may also enroll in dual-enrollment courses offered through select university partners or other accredited institutions as available.

The Academy at Laurel Springs

The Academy is an academic program for intellectually curious scholars in grades 6-12 who are driven by a passion for learning and collaboration. This rigorous college-prep program offers the full LSS catalog plus 60+ courses with Workshop (live, weekly teacher-led virtual classes). The Academy is designed to inspire and challenge students, preparing them to meet their personal and academic goals in higher education, future career plans, and beyond.

Dual Enrollment

Eligible students have the opportunity to participate in the dual enrollment program through partnerships with Baylor University and Syracuse University.

Gap Year Program

Recent graduates have the opportunity to infuse the transitional time between high school and college with purpose. This customizable program is designed for students who wish to distinguish themselves academically, discover and nurture their passions, or acquire tools to better prepare for higher education.

Class of 2025 Average SAT/ACT Scores

| | Laurel Springs | California | National |
|---------------|----------------|------------|----------|
| SAT Reasoning | 637 | 549 | 519 |
| SAT Math | 616 | 537 | 505 |
| ACT Composite | 25.6 | 26.4 | 19.4 |

Student Life

Our vibrant student life program offers 65+ clubs, hangouts, monthly in-person family field trips and meet-ups, and travel learning opportunities. We offer 15 honor societies for grades 6-12, and academic competition programs such as Science Olympiad, Math Team, Future City and more.



Grading Scale

| Letter Grade | Numeric Grade | College Prep | Honors | AP / Dual Enrollment |
|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------|----------------------|
| A+ | 96.5-100 | 4.00 | 4.50 | 5.00 |
| A | 92.5-96.4 | 4.00 | 4.50 | 5.00 |
| A- | 89.5-92.4 | 3.70 | 4.20 | 4.70 |
| B+ | 86.5-89.4 | 3.30 | 3.80 | 4.30 |
| B | 82.5-86.4 | 3.00 | 3.50 | 4.00 |
| B- | 79.5-82.4 | 2.70 | 3.20 | 3.70 |
| C+ | 76.5-79.4 | 2.30 | 2.80 | 3.30 |
| C | 72.5-76.4 | 2.00 | 2.50 | 3.00 |
| C- | 69.5-72.4 | 1.70 | 2.20 | 2.70 |
| D+ | 66.5-69.4 | 1.30 | 1.80 | 2.30 |
| D | 62.5-66.4 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 2.00 |
| D- | 59.5-62.4 | 0.70 | 1.20 | 1.70 |
| F | 59.4 < | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

Laurel Springs School does not rank its students.

Advanced Courses

Advanced courses are available for students seeking a challenging academic curriculum. Using advanced curricula, teacher support, and hands-on learning opportunities, each student fulfills college entrance requirements while pursuing personal interests and individual goals. Honors, AP, and Dual Enrollment courses emphasize vocabulary development, critical thinking, problem-solving, expository writing, and research. Students who successfully complete AP Calc AB move directly to the second semester of AP Calc BC.

Honors Course Offerings

Honors English

- Drama Literature
- English 1
- English 2
- English 3
- English 4
- Shakespearean Literature

Honors Social Studies & Social Sciences

- American Government
- American History
- Economics
- Philosophy & Ethics
- World Geography
- World History

Honors Mathematics

- Algebra 1
- Algebra 2
- Geometry
- Pre-Calculus

Honors Science

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Earth Science
- Human Anatomy & Physiology
- Marine Science
- Physical Science
- Physics 1

Graduation Requirements

| Subject | Required Credits (Classes of 2025, 2026, and 2027) | Required Credits (Classes of 2028 and later) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| English | 4.0 Credits | 4.0 Credits |
| Mathematics* | 3.0 Credits | 3.0 Credits |
| Science | 3.0 Credits | 3.0 Credits |
| Social Studies | 3.0 Credits | 3.0 Credits |
| World Language** | 2.0 Credits | 2.0 Credits |
| Fine Art | 1.0 Credits | 1.0 Credits |
| Physical Education | 2.0 Credits | 1.0 Credits |
| Health | 0.5 Credits | 0.5 Credits |
| Elective*** Or additional Fine Art | 1.0 Credits | 1.0 Credits |
| Additional Credits | 4.0 Credits | 5.0 Credits |
| TOTAL | 23.5 Credits | 23.5 Credits |

*Must include Algebra 2 or higher level of math

**Must be two consecutive years of the same non-native language

***Includes High School Seminar courses (0.5 to 2 credits)

AP® Course Offerings

AP Capstone Diploma™ Program

- AP Seminar
- AP Research

AP English

- English Language & Composition
- English Literature & Composition

AP Fine Arts

- Art History

AP World Language

- French Language & Culture
- Spanish Language & Culture

AP Science:

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Environmental Science
- Physics 1

AP Mathematics & Computer Science:

- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Computer Science A
- Computer Science Principles
- Statistics

AP Social Studies & Social Sciences:

- European History
- Human Geography
- Macroeconomics
- Microeconomics
- Psychology
- U.S. Government & Politics
- U.S. History
- World History

College Matriculations

Each year, Laurel Springs students are accepted for admission at more than 500 colleges and universities around the world including small and large private and public colleges and universities, top-tier universities, research institutions, liberal arts colleges, and visual and performing arts colleges and conservatories. Many of our rising graduates choose to attend two-year colleges and vocational schools, take a gap year, or enter directly into a professional field or military service. In the past four years, Laurel Springs graduates have enrolled at more than 600 colleges and universities in 47 U.S. states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, and 20+ countries. [Click here](#) or visit our website to view the list of all 4-year institutions to which Laurel Springs' students enrolled between 2022-2025.

