

# 2023-2024 SCHOOL PROFILE

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High School Student Body 22-23: 45 Class of 2024: 9 students

**CEEB CODE: 340060** 

#### **SCHOOL & COMMUNITY**

HOPE Academy is a Christian, liberal arts, college-preparatory, University-Model School, founded in 2011 in Concord, North Carolina. HOPE Academy graduated its first class in 2019 with 7 students.

#### **ACCREDITATION & MEMBERSHIPS**

HOPE Academy is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS CASI)/Cognia. HOPE Academy is a certified University–Model School and member of University–Model Schools International (UMSI), the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) and the NC Association of Independent Schools (NCAIS).

#### **MISSION**

HOPE Academy students courageously develop their Christ-like identity, cultivate their unique gifts, and engage as active learners within an authentic community.

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## **ABOUT HOPE ACADEMY**

HOPE Academy graduates launch into the world equipped in their faith, with confidence to use their gifts for the good of others, the humility to learn, and the perseverance to press forward with hope, optimism, and innovative solutions.

Situated between Charlotte and Concord, North Carolina, HOPE Academy students experience the opportunities within a thriving metropolis as well as the community found in a small hometown. HOPE's University-Model schedule allows students to pursue their passions and engage in a collaborative academic environment that promotes a growth mind-set, excellence, authenticity, and responsibility.

## **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

- 4 English
- 4 Mathematics (including Math above Algebra 2)
- 4 Social Studies (including Government/Economics)
- 3 Science (including Biology and Chemistry)
- 2 World Language
- 0.5 Health / 0.5 PE
- 2 Bible credits (0.5 course each year of attendance)
- 5 Electives (0.5-1.0 credit per elective)
- 25 Total Credits

#### ACADEMIC PROGRAM

HOPE Academy's college-preparatory academic program develops critical thinking, promotes collaboration, and is applied through project-based learning. All core courses (English, History, Science, Math, and World Language) are taught at the honors level. High School core courses are yearlong and meet two to three times per week. Students complete additional course requirements through independent study and peer collaboration

# EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES/ATHLETICS

The University-Model School structure allows students to engage meaningfully in rich academic studies and unique personal interests. Students participate in extracurricular school activities such as community service days, college tours, mission trips, worship band, and theater productions. Additionally, HOPE students participate in employment, internships, and local ministry.

HOPE Academy is a member of the Metro Area Athletic Conference (MAAC) and competes in soccer, cross country, volleyball, basketball, and golf.



#### COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE

GRADUATING CLASSES 2019-2022 (12 graduates total)

Anderson University Appalachian State University\* Belmont Abbey College Central Piedmont Community College\* Elon University Gardner-Webb University\* Greensboro College James Madison University Lancaster Bible College\* Liberty University Montreat College\* North Carolina State University\* Queens University Rowan Cabarrus Community College\* University of North Carolina at Asheville University of North Carolina at Charlotte University of North Carolina at Greensboro\* Western Carolina University Wingate University Winthrop University

(\*Colleges of Matriculation)

#### **TOTAL SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED \$1,083,292**

64% of graduates earned scholarship offers

### **GRADING SCALE**

Scale	Letter	Regular	Honors	Dual Enroll/AP
90-100	Α	4.0	4.5	5.0
80-89	В	3.0	3.5	4.0
70-79	С	2.0	2.5	3.0
60-69	D	1.0	1.5	2.0
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#### **CLASS RANK**

Due to the small class size and the college bound nature of HOPE's population, we believe that class rank is not a strong discriminator from which to predict college performance. Therefore, we do not rank.

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#### **COURSE OFFERINGS**

**ENGLISH**: Literature & Composition, World Literature, American Literature, Continental Literature

MATH: Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, Precalculus

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** US History, Government/Economics, Cultural Geography, World Civilizations

SCIENCE: Biology, Chemistry, Anatomy & Physiology

**WORLD LANGUAGE:** Spanish 1, Spanish 2, Spanish 3, Spanish 4

**PE AND HEALTH**: Physical Education, Health & Wellness (Outside PE credit can be earned for qualifying athletic participation)

BIBLE: High School Bible

**ELECTIVES**: Art, Entrepreneurship, Theatre, Yearbook, High School Seminar, Digital Portfolio, Internship, Independent Elective, additional core courses above the minimum requirement, additional elective courses added annually in accordance with students' interests and planning

# HONORS / DUAL ENROLLMENT / AP

As of 2021–2022, all core courses at HOPE Academy were determined to be inherently honors and do not have a standard-level course. "Inherently honors courses are those with standards written in a progressive nature or courses that require pre-requisite skills" (from the NC Honors Level Course Rubric Framework). At HOPE Academy, these courses include all core courses (English, Math, Social Studies, Science) and world language courses (Spanish).

The honors-level classes of HOPE Academy are conducted through project-based learning, fostering student growth through deep investigation, enriching collaboration, and complex problem-solving. Although foundational knowledge and understanding are presented and expected, students are held accountable beyond these basic requirements. Projects and assessments are established to ensure the higher-level thinking skills of analysis, evaluation, and creation.

Juniors and seniors who are academically qualified may take classes through applicable college dual enrollment programs to earn college and high school credit toward a two-year or four-year degree. Students may be dually enrolled at HOPE and at an approved college, allowing them to receive both high school and college credit for courses taken through the program. HOPE students may enroll in a maximum of 2 of the following 1-semester courses each semester: math, science, electives, and advanced courses not offered at HOPE Academy.

HOPE Academy does not offer Advanced Placement courses due to our difference in philosophy. HOPE facilitates depth of learning and insight rather than breadth of survey knowledge. Students may take an AP course individually through a virtual school partner with the approval of HOPE administration.

#### NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

HOPE Academy admits students of any race and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies.