

HILTON HEAD CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

ACADEMICPROFILE

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About Our School

HHCA is a Christ-centered, K-12 educational community, built on project-based, student-driven learning. As a member of the New Tech Network, student outcomes are measured in five key areas: knowledge & thinking, agency, oral communication, written communication, and collaboration. Students complete a rigorous college, career, and life preparatory program, pursuing excellence in academics, arts, and athletics.

HHCA opened a new campus in 2021 to facilitate collaborative learning with the newest technology in support of its academic model, giving students additional opportunities to pursue internships, dual enrollment, and certification programs that advance their individualized college and career pathways.

Admissions

Students are considered for enrollment based on admissions testing, interviews, personal character and academic performance.

Financial Aid

Tuition assistance is available based on need and upon review by Smart Tuition Aid. 35% of students receive financial aid.

Student Body Numbers

Class of 2023	45 students	
High School (9th-12th)	230 students	
Middle School (6th-8th)	173 students	
Lower School (K-5th)	230 students	
Total Student Body	633 students	

Graduation Requirements

Twenty-four credits are required for graduation.

Academic Requirements

English	4 credits
Mathematics	4 credits
Science	4 credits
Bible	4 credits
History	3 credits
World Language	2 credits
Technology	1 credit
Physical Education	1 credit
Fine Arts	1 credit

Non-Academic Requirements

Community Service.....18 hrs/year

Beginning with the Class of 2025, and transfer students who enrolled for the 2021-2022 school year, high school credit earned in middle school will be included on students' transcripts and in their cumulative GPA.

Accreditations & Memberships Cognia | ASCA | PSSCA | SCISA SAIS | PAIS | NACAC | SACAC



by the numbers

eptances to 80 colleges

40

graduating seniors

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4 Palmetto 5 College Athletes

5 Elite & Honors Programs 252

98%

enrolled in 4-year coll

attending out-of-state colleges

100%

Earned South Carolina Educational Scholarships

South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale and Class Rank

HHCA utilizes the South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale. Class rank is determined based upon cumulative GPA and is posted to all official transcripts.

<u>Letter/Numerical</u>	<u>GPA/CP</u>	<u>GPA/Honors (+.5)</u>	<u>GPA/AP (+1.0)</u>	
A: 90-100	4.0-5.0	4.5-5.5	5.0-6.0	
B: 80-89	3.0-3.9	3.5-4.4	4.0-4.9	
C: 70-79	2.0-2.9	2.5-3.4	3.0-3.9	
D: 60-69	1.0-1.9	1.5-2.4	2.0-2.9	
F: 0-59	0.0-0.9	0.0-1.4	0.0-1.9	

Class of 2023 Grade Distribution

3.94-4.0
3.76-4.0
3.54-3.75
3.22-3.53
2.23-3.21

Standardized Testing Profile

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Class of 2023	Class of 2020-2022 (avg)
SAT ERW Avg552	SAT ERW Avg560
SAT Math Avg528	
ACT Comp Avg24	
Top 10% Avg1360/31	
Top 25% Avg1258/29	Top 25% Avg1287/29

AP Testing 2022

85 AP students/145 exams
65% scored 3+ on one or
more exams
14 AP Scholars
2 AP Scholars w/Honors
1 AP Scholar w/Distinction

to know Christ and make Him known

ACADEMICS

HHCA operates on a block schedule of four courses per semester.

Honors Course Offerings

Academic core courses (English, history/social studies, mathematics, science, and Spanish 3) are offered at the College Preparatory (CP) and Honors levels.

AP Course Offerings

In 2022-23, AP courses are capped at three and run all year, combined with a lab or Bible course. 29% of seniors, 41% of juniors, 23% of sophomores and 15% of freshmen are taking AP courses this year. Offerings include:

Human Geography
European History
US History
Government and Politics*
English Language and Composition
English Literature and Composition
Calculus AB
Calculus BC
Statistics*
Biology
Chemistry
Spanish Language and Culture
Spanish Literature and Culture*
Music Theory*
*not offered in 2022-23

Dual Enrollment

Juniors and seniors with a 3.0 unweighted GPA may pursue dual enrollment opportunities with the University of South Carolina-Beaufort, Technical College of the Lowcountry, and online university programs. 49% of seniors and 37% of juniors are enrolled for dual credit this year.

Diploma with Distinction

This graduation honor is bestowed upon students who complete an independent research project culminating in a written and verbal defense of their thesis.

Elective Courses

Students may choose from a variety of fine arts, technology, physical education and interest-based electives, including: Art, Ceramics, Theater, Theater Design, Glee Club, Band, Technology, Yearbook, Graphic Design, Coding, Strength & Fitness, Sports Medicine, PLTW Biomedical Science, Law, Mock Trial, Personal Health, Personal Finance, Sr/Jr Seminar, and Internships.

Academic Resource Center

HHCA's NILD-certified staff provides learning therapies for students with documented learning needs to supplement core content and prepare students for college, career, and life.

Internships

Student internships give students exposure to and experience in their fields of interest. HHCA students have participated in external internships in dance, law, medicine, marketing, real estate, physical therapy, marine biology, interior design, engineering, architecture and more. On campus, internship opportunities may include Fine Arts, Marketing, Digital Marketing, Food Service, and Event Planning.

Clubs, Organizations & Programs

Band (Pep & Jazz) Battle of the Books **Bluffton Youth Council HHI-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce** Junior Leadership Program **Eagle Ambassadors Environmental Club** Fellowship of Christian Athletes **Future Business Leaders of America International Thespian Society** Junior Beta Club (6-8) Life-on-Life Mentorship Training Mayor's Youth Service Awards **National Honor Society Nuestros Pequitos Hermanos** Robotics Club (4-12) Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica Student Council Student Leadership Team Teens for Healthy Youth Worship Team Youth in Government (new in 2022-23) Zonta Z-Club

Athletics

HHCA offers 30 athletic teams, including 16 varsity sports. More than 50 state championship titles have been earned throughout school history.

Since 2015, HHCA has earned 15 SCISA State Championship titles: Girls Basketball (4), Boys Golf (2), Boys Soccer (2), Football (2), Girls Soccer (2), and Baseball (1).

In 2021-22, state championships were earned in Football (2 in a row), Girls Basketball (4 in a row), and Girls Soccer (2 in a row).

Fine Arts

Over 70% of students participate in HHCA's award-winning Fine Arts programs: theater, music and visual arts.

HHCA theater students have been recognized by Broadway World SC for recent stage productions and performances. This year, student actors will present *Elf Junior* (K-8) and *All Shook Up* (9-12), following *A Christmas Carol* and *Wizard of Oz* last year. HHCA draws students from around the world to its annual summer Jazz Camps. Band students may perform in jazz combos, ensembles, pit orchestra, and other unique musical offerings throughout the year. Young artists have exhibited their artwork as "Promising Picassos" in our thriving local arts community.

College Acceptances

A sampling of the colleges and universities that HHCA seniors have been accepted to in the past five years: (2022 enrollments in bold)

Anderson University Appalachian State University Auburn University/Honors

Baylor University Belmont University Berklee College of Music Berry College Boston University

Charleston Southern University

Clemson University/Honors Coastal Carolina University College of Charleston/Honors

College of William and Mary Cornell University

Davidson College

Denison College DePauw University East Carolina University

Elon University
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University

Flagler College Florida State University Fordham University

Furman University
Gardner Webb University
Georgia Institute of Technology

Georgia Southern University
Gettysburg College

Hampden-Sydney College
High Point University

Indiana University Jacksonville University Kennesaw State University

Liberty UniversityLouisville State University

Loyola University-Chicago/Honors Marymount Manhattan College Miami University of Ohio

Minot State University
Mississippi State Univ./H

Mississippi State Univ./Honors Morehead State University New York University

North Carolina State Palm Beach Atlantic University Pepperdine University Point Park University

Presbyterian College Providence College Purdue University

Roanoke College Rochester Institute of Technology Rice University

Samford University
Santa Clara University
Savannah College of Art and
Design

Sewanee, University of the South

Southern Methodist Univ./Honors

Stetson University
Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
U.S. Military Academy
University of Alabama
Univ. of California/Irvine
Univ. of California/Santa Barbara
Univ. of California/Los Angeles

University of Central Florida

University of Dayton
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Kentucky
University of Mississippi
University of Mississippi
Univ. of North Carolina/Chapel
Hill/Charlotte/School of the Arts
Univ. of South Carolina/Honors
University of Tennessee
University of Vermont
University of Virginia

Vanderbilt University Virginia Polytechnic Institute **West Virginia University**

Wheaton College Winthrop University Wofford College