## COLLEGE **ACCEPTANCES**

Abraham Baldwin College Agnes Scott College Air Force Academy American University American Musical & Drama Armstrong Atlantic U. Appalachian State Asbury College Atlanta Christian College Atlanta College of Art Auburn University Augusta State College Bard College **Baylor University** Belhaven College Belmont College Beloit College Berry College Bethune Cookman Birmingham-Southern College **Boston University** Brenau College Brevard College Brewton Parker College Brigham Young University **Brown University** Bryan College Carson-Newman College Central Georgia Tech. College Charleston Southern Clark Atlanta Clemson University Coastal Carolina College of Charleston College of Coastal Georgia Colorado School of the Mines Colorado State University College of William & Mary Columbus State College Concordia College Concordia U. of Chicago Converse College Cornell University Covenant College Darton College Davidson College Drexel University

**Duke University** 

East Georgia College

East Tennessee State University Embry-Riddle Aeronautical U. Emmanuel College **Emory University** Erskine College Fashion Institute of Technology Ferrum College Florida State College Florida State University Fort Valley State U. Furman University Gainesville State College George Mason University George Washington Univ. Georgia College & State U. Georgia Gwinnett College Georgia Tech. Georgia Military College Georgia Regents University Georgia Southern University Georgia Southwestern St. College Georgia State University Gordon State College Green River Community College Hampden-Sydney College Harding University Harvard University Hendrix College Hollins College Houghton College Illinois College Indiana State University Indiana U. Bloomington Indiana Wesleyan University Jackson State University Jacksonville University Jacksonville State University James Madison University Johnson and Wales University Kennesaw State University LaGrange College Lee University Liberty University Lipscomb University Louisiana State University Macon State College

Marquette University

Mass. Institute of Technology

Mass. Maritime Academy

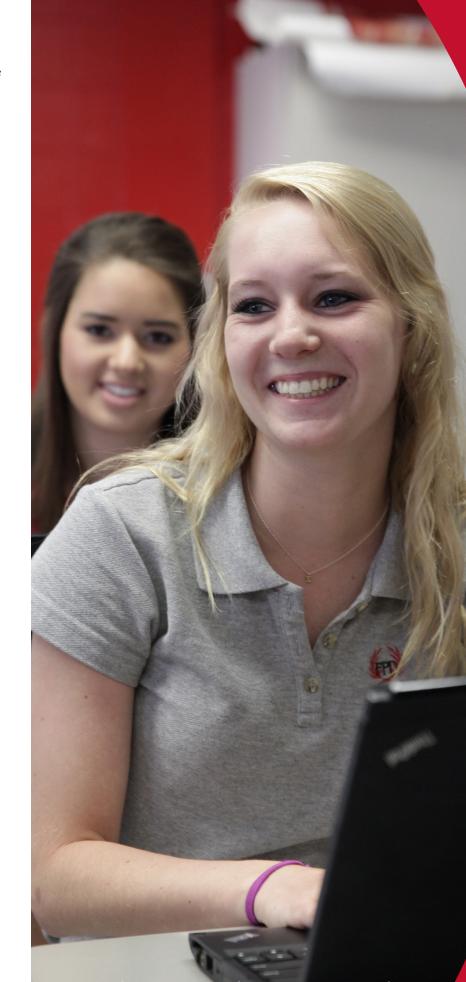
McGill University (Canada)

Maryville College

Maryland Institute College of Art Truett-McConnell College

Medical College of Georgia Medical College of S. Carolina Mercer University Middle Georgia College Middle Georgia State University Middle Tennessee State Mississippi State University Montreat-Anderson College Morris Brown College New England Conservatory New York University North Carolina School of Art North Carolina State U. Northeastern University North Ga. College & State U. Northwestern University Old Dominion University Oglethorpe University Oxford College Pace University Piedmont College Pensacola Christian College Presbyterian College Princeton University Queens College Rhodes College Roanoke College Rollins College **Rutgers University** Samford University SCAD Shorter College Sophia University (Japan) South Georgia College Southern Methodist University Southern Polytechnic State U. Southern Wesleyan University Southern Union Comm. Coll. Spartanburg Methodist College Spellman College St. Andrews Presbyterian Coll. Stetson University Tennessee Tech Texas A&M University The Citadel Toccoa Falls College Troy University Trinity Western U.

United States Naval Academy University of Alabama University of Alaska Anchorage University of Colorado University of Florida University of Georgia University of Indiana University of Iowa University of Kentucky University of Mass. Amherst University of Michigan University of Minnesota University of Mississippi University of North Carolina University of North Georgia University of Oklahoma University of Pennsylvania University of Pittsburgh University of Rhode Island University of the South University of South Carolina University of Tennessee University of Texas University of Vancouver University of Vermont U of Victoria (Canada) University of Virginia University of West Georgia University of Wisconsin University of Wyoming Utah Valley University Valdosta State College Vanderbilt University Virginia Polytechnic Institute Wake Forest University Washington & Lee University Wesleyan College Western Carolina University Wheaton College Wofford College Young Harris College





# 2015-2016 School Profile

First Presbyterian Day School, established in 1970, is an independent, Christ-centered, college preparatory school whose purpose is to educate and equip students to change the world for God's glory. The campus is located on 102 acres in the suburbs of Macon and serves over 960 students from pre-kindergarten (age 3) through twelfth grade. First Presbyterian Day School's Elementary School was named a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence in 2015 and 2003 by the US Department of Education. In 2012, FPD's Middle School received this same prestigious honor.

The goal of the FPD educational process is to impact the world by preparing our students for our nation's finest colleges and universities. Achieving this goal requires a curriculum that exposes students to a thoughtful sequence of study, building a foundation of knowledge in each discipline and encouraging thoughtful analysis and application. As a Christ-centered, college preparatory school, we offer an academically challenging curriculum underpinned by sound biblical principles. These same principles guide the administration of the school.

At First Presbyterian Day School, we seek not only to develop the mind of each student but to mold character as well. We partner with parents in their efforts to challenge their children to take responsibility for independent learning, develop godly discernment, make tough decisions for what is right and good, and grow in maturity. We believe that tomorrow's leaders will possess not only bright minds but also sound character.

Educating and equipping students to change the world for God's glory.

First Presbyterian Day School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, and athletic and other school-administered programs. Need and merit based awards are granted based on the criteria for each individual award.

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United States Air Force Academy

United States Military Academy



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Facilities Director
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Advancement Director
Technology Director
Communication Director

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#### **ACCREDITATION**

FPD is accredited by AdvancEd (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools), the Southern Association of Independent Schools, and is certified by the Council of Educational Standards and Accountability. In addition to College Board, GHSA, GISA, GSCA, and SACAC, our school holds membership in the National Association of College Admission Counselors and complies with their Statement of Principles of Good Practice. The school also holds membership in professional subject area organizations such as NCTM, NSTA, IRA, SHAPE, ISTE, NCSS as well as the Educational Records Bureau.

#### **STUDENTS & FACULTY**

FPD's 2015/2016 enrollment is 960. Thirteen of the current high school students are attending FPD as international students as part of an international residential program. The class of 2016 contains 97 students. FPD's faculty and staff is led by Headmaster Gregg Thompson, who has been at the helm for nineteen years, along with Assistant Headmaster, Dr. Barry Shealy, who has been with the school for eighteen years. More than 70% of faculty have a master's degree or higher. Many faculty members are active in state and national organizations and all frequently attend professional growth activities.

#### **TECHNOLOGY**

In 2013, FPD introduced the 1-to-1 Technology Initiative. Beginning in 3K, students are introduced to digital platforms that enhance FPD's curriculum. In the lower grades, students use iPads to supplement their lessons while students in grades 5-12 use a school supplied convertible tablet PC to perform their classwork, homework, and note taking. The 1-to-1 Technology Initiative promotes critically engaged learning, meaningful and creative expression, connection to the teacher, and refinement of technology skills and abilities. It also allows greater access to educational content and opportunities to instruct students on 21st century issues.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE

FPD believes that the school's vision to "educate and equip students to change the world for God's glory" is supported by student service to directly assist and make changes. FPD believes that meeting real community needs and having face-to-face time with an underserved population will greatly enhance students' understanding of the world. With that understanding, FPD requires students to have 120 hours of community service in ninth through twelfth grade for graduation. FPD fosters a love for service as early as elementary school through volunteerism. We encourage our students to discover their gifts and passions and to use them to serve others. The class of 2015 accumulated 15,497 total hours of community service and served 700 different agencies.

#### **VARSITY SPORTS**

Baseball **Shooting Sports** Basketball Soccer Cheerleading Softball Cross Country **Swimming** Football Tennis Golf Track & Field Gymnastics Volleyball Lacrosse Wrestling

### ATHLETIC LEAGUE AFFILIATION

FPD is a member of the Georgia High School Association (GHSA) Class A.

# ACADEMIC AND SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

Opportunities for participation in the life of FPD outside the classroom include: Student Activities Council, Student Honor Council, National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Project LEAD, Middle and High School Robotics, Book Club, *Reflections* (yearbook), *SAGA* (newspaper), National Junior Classical League (Latin Club), Le Cercle Francais (French Club), Spanish Club, Environmental Club, Mu Alpha Theta (Math Club), Entrepreneurial Club, Math Team, and Mock Trial Team.

## FINE ARTS ACTIVITIES

First Presbyterian Day School seeks to promote artistic interests through a variety of Fine Arts programs and activities including Chorus, Literary Team, Drama Club, Art Club, Theatre, Dance Teams, Marching, Pep, Jazz and Concert Bands, and the Edda (literary magazine).



#### **AP SCHOLARS**

|      | Scholars | With<br>Honor | With<br>Distinction | Total |
|------|----------|---------------|---------------------|-------|
| 2015 | 26       | 12            | 11                  | 49    |
| 2014 | 22       | 6             | 16                  | 44    |
| 2013 | 23       | 16            | 6                   | 45    |

**AP COURSES** Language & Composition 11 Literature & Composition 12 U.S. Government & Politics U.S. History **European History** Calculus AB Calculus BC Biology Chemistry Physics I / Physics II Latin Spanish French Music Theory Studio Art 2D, 3D, Drawing Computer Science

World Literature 10
World History
Geometry
Algebra II
Pre-Calculus
Biology
Advanced Biology
Chemistry
Advanced Chemistry
Latin III, IV
French III, IV
Spanish III, IV

**HONORS COURSES** 

English 9

#### HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

Students eligible for the Georgia HOPE Scholarship 2015 83% 2014 78% least a 3.0 unweighted GPA in high school. Eligibility by Year 2015 83% 2014 78% 2014 78% 2013 77% 2012 80%

#### NATIONAL MERIT RECOGNITION

First Presbyterian Day School has had 123 students receive recognition from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation: 37 semi-finalists, 32 finalists, and 95 commended. In the past 5 years, FPD has had 28 Commended Scholars and 7 Finalists.