



## 2024-25 College Admission Profile

### History and Philosophy

Established in 1905, Darlington School is an independent, coeducational, college-preparatory school for students in grades PK-12 and PG, with boarding beginning in grade 9.

The school emphasizes traditional studies and expects its students to develop competence in English, mathematics, history, science, a foreign language, technology, and an appreciation of the fine arts. Darlington seeks to develop the best of academic and social growth for each of its students. Darlington's philosophy is best stated in the school's motto: *Wisdom more than Knowledge, Service beyond Self, Honor above Everything.*

Darlington admits academically qualified students without regard to race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national or ethnic origin, or disability to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

### Student Body

Darlington has an ethnically, racially, geographically, and socioeconomically diverse student body. Approximately 52% of the students receive need-based financial aid. While the majority of the students come from the Southeast, in 2023-24, students were enrolled from 19 states (Alabama, Alaska, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia) and from 28 countries (United States, Bahamas, Bermuda, Brazil, Burundi, Canada, Cayman Islands, China, Finland, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Islamic Republic of Iran, Jamaica, Kenya, Republic of Korea, Nigeria, Poland, Rwanda, Serbia, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, United Kingdom, and Vietnam).

### College Attendance

Traditionally, all graduates attend college - 97% entering four-year institutions and 3% entering 2-year institutions. The 104 graduates of the Class of 2024 received acceptance from 164 different colleges and universities and attended 56 different colleges in 21 states and Washington, D.C. These are listed on page four of this profile.

### College Scholarships

Forty-three members of the Class of 2024 were offered 84 academic, athletic, and special achievement scholarships valued at \$7.5 million.

### Pattern of School Year

Darlington operates on a schedule of two 18-week semesters, with examinations at the end of the school year.

### Enrollment Statistics and Class Size

Grades .....	PK-12 & PG
Enrollment .....	769
Upper School .....	429
Pre-K to 8 .....	340
Upper School – Boarding .....	200
Upper School – Day .....	229
Teaching Faculty .....	87
Student-Faculty Ratio .....	9:1
Average Class Size .....	15

Accreditation ..... Southern Association of Colleges and Schools  
 Southern Association of Independent Schools

### Membership in the Following

National Association for College Admission Counseling, Southern Association for College Admission Counseling, Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools, The College Board, National Association of Independent Schools, Georgia Independent School Association, Atlanta Area Association of Independent Schools, The Association for Boarding Schools, Small Boarding School Association, Southeastern Association of Boarding Schools, Secondary School Admissions Test Board, Georgia High School Association, The Cum Laude Society, Council for Spiritual and Ethical Education

College Board — ACT Code ..... 112585

### Advanced Placement Courses

Darlington offers Advanced Placement courses in 22 areas, which are found in the Program of Studies on page three of this profile. All students enrolled in AP courses are required to take AP exams in those subjects.

Students must have a 90 or higher average in the previous course and the teacher's recommendation. Freshmen generally do not have the opportunity to take AP courses; sophomores are limited to two courses, juniors and seniors to four. Occasionally exceptions may be made. In 2023-24, 62% percent of the students took AP courses and exams.

### Honors Courses

Darlington offers Honors courses in English, math, social studies, sciences, and foreign languages. These courses are designated as such on the transcript. High school subjects taken in the eighth grade receive high school credit.

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 Dean of College Guidance

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**COLLEGE ADVISORS**  
 Samuel M. Clark  
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## Graduation Requirements and Course of Study

Darlington has one graduation award, the diploma, which carries with it the school's recommendation to college. The minimum program of study leading to graduation includes 23 units, 19 of which must be in the major academic subjects, as follows. Darlington does not participate in any dual enrollment or early graduation programs.

English	4 units	Fine Arts	1 unit
Mathematics	4 units	Electives	4 units
Science	3 units	Health/PE	1 units
History	3 units	Community Service	15 hrs/year
World Language	3 units		

The minimum mark credited toward graduation is 70, and no student will be eligible for graduation who does not in his/her final year pass all major subjects.

If a student has been exempted from Darlington's world language requirement, the exemption will be noted on his/her transcript. The student will take additional electives in lieu of world language.

## Community Service Graduation Requirements

All students are required to complete 15 hours of community service each year. Students may meet this requirement by participating in school-sponsored servant leadership opportunities after school and on weekends. Students may also accumulate hours of service through non-school-related opportunities as long as they provide documentation from the organization served.

## Standard Course Load

All underclassmen are required to take a minimum of six classes each year; seniors are required to take a minimum of five classes. Students may take a maximum of seven courses.

## Grading Scale

Grading is numerical; letter grade equivalents and grade points are as follows:

A	=	100-90 (Excellent)	=	4.0 grade points
B	=	89-80 (Very Good)	=	3.0 grade points
C	=	79-70 (Satisfactory)	=	2.0 grade points
F	=	Below 70 (Failing)	=	0.0 grade points
WP	=	Withdrawn from course with passing mark		
WF	=	Withdrawn from course with failing mark		

Honors and AP marks are weighted five points for grade-point averages (GPA). Course grades reported on transcripts are unweighted.

## E. L. Wright Awards

E. L. Wright Awards are presented each year to the students with the highest average in each course. The award is noted on the recipient's transcript.

## Class Rank

Due to the rigorous nature of our program, Darlington does not rank its students. Given the size and makeup of our student body, slight variations in GPA can make a significant difference in class rank. A student's cumulative GPA is reported to colleges instead of class rank.

## Disclosure of Conduct Records

As a NACAC member, Darlington will, when requested on the institution's application, report student conduct records to colleges — including, but not limited to, serious disciplinary violations, honor violations, probation, suspension, and dismissal.

## Advanced Placement Exams 2024

In 2024, 261 Darlington students participated in the Advanced Placement Program and took AP exams; 33% of the exams were scored 3 or higher. In 2024, Darlington had 48 AP Scholars, 9 AP Scholars with Honor, and 29 AP Scholars with Distinction, for a total of 86 AP Scholars.

## Class of 2024 – Averages – SAT & ACT Scores & GPAs

(Test Optional)

Most Darlington seniors took either an ACT or an SAT or both during the year. With so many colleges becoming test-optional, many seniors chose to report scores to some colleges and not to others. We have no way of determining which scores were submitted where.

Quintile	SAT Total	ACT	GPA
1st	1339	28	100.39
2nd	1185	25	96.80
3rd	1160	26	93.74
4th	1058	21	89.08
5th	989	19	82.52

## Class of 2024 – SAT Score Ranges – Middle 50% of Scores

Evidence-Based Reading & Writing.....	460 – 640
Math.....	450 – 640
Total .....	940 – 1290

## Class of 2024 – ACT Score Ranges - Middle 50% of Scores

Composite.....	19-27
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## Adjustments Due to COVID-19

As a result of the Coronavirus pandemic shutdown, Darlington School adjusted to an online, asynchronous platform in March of 2020. A hybrid learning approach was used for the 2020-2021 school year. Students who could not be on campus had both synchronous and asynchronous opportunities to stay engaged with their courses.

The Darlington grading scale has not changed.

All student extracurricular activities were suspended, and all elections for student leadership positions for the 2020-2021 school year were postponed.

A full range of courses were available. For the 2021-2022 school year, learning was entirely on campus and in person.

# Program of Studies 2024-25

## English

English I  
English I Honors  
English II  
English II Honors  
English III  
AP English Language  
English IV  
AP English Literature

## History

Human Geography  
Human Geography Honors  
AP Human Geography  
Modern World History  
AP World History  
Ancient Roots  
Ancient Roots Honors  
U.S. History  
AP U.S. History  
AP U.S. Government  
Intro into Economics  
AP Micro/Macro Economics  
AP Psychology

## Mathematics

Algebra I  
Algebra II  
Algebra II Honors  
Geometry  
Geometry Honors  
Pre-Calculus

AP Pre-Calculus  
Pre-Calculus Honors  
Probability and Statistics  
AP Statistics  
Pre-Calculus Finance  
Linear Algebra Honors  
Multivariable Calculus Honors  
AP Calculus (AB)  
AP Calculus (BC)  
AP Computer Science A  
AP Computer Science Principles

## Science

Biology (L)  
Chemistry (L)  
Physics 1 (L)  
Physics 1 Honors (L)  
Environmental Science (L)  
Zoology (L)  
Anatomy and Physiology (L)  
AP Chemistry (L)  
AP Biology (L)  
AP Physics 1 (L)  
AP Physics C (L)  
AP Environmental Science

(L) denotes laboratory course

## Fine Arts

Art I  
Art II  
Art III  
Art IV  
AP Studio Art  
AP Music Theory  
Stagecraft  
Cinema  
Concert Choir  
Orchestra  
Upper School Band  
Beginning Instrumental Methods  
The News Room  
Communication Arts 1: Newsroom  
Communication Arts 1: Photography  
Photography  
Advanced Media: Yearbook  
Graphic Design

## World Languages

Spanish I  
Spanish II  
Spanish II Honors  
Spanish III  
Spanish III Honors  
Spanish IV  
AP Spanish Language  
Post-AP Spanish Honors

## One Schoolhouse

One Schoolhouse - Chinese  
One Schoolhouse - Latin  
One Schoolhouse - French

## Physical Education Offerings

Health/Fitness  
Strength & Conditioning

## Senior Elective

Senior Ventures

## Darlington Signature Programs & Unique Opportunities

**Senior Ventures** are year-long senior projects built on a framework of leadership, innovation, and community engagement. The topic and the project design will be chosen by an individual student or a pair of students, and the journey is guided by Darlington faculty as well as mentors in the community. Most projects will fall into one of the following categories: Investigation, Performance, Entrepreneurship, and Outreach. Proposals that are interdisciplinary in scope with connections to professionals in the community are strongly encouraged. Each project is expected to have components of experiential learning (shadowing, internship, travel, volunteering, etc.), positive citizenship, and technology integration.

**The Glenn Teaching and Learning Center** was developed to support Upper School students with diagnosed academic needs. Students meet individually with their assigned Learning Specialists in their regular class rotation. Students are expected to implement the study skills that are taught each week in their core classes. The Learning Center also supports the seniors in the program with their transition to college. Each year, 100% of the students who are served by the Learning Center attend college.

**Darlington School Boys Soccer Academy** is the year-round soccer training program which competes as a U.S. Club Soccer team in club friendlies, U.S. Regional and National Championships, college showcases, nationally recognized tournaments and collegiate-level scrimmages. Every two years, the Soccer Academy travels abroad to expose players to international competition.

**Coosa Junior Tennis Academy** is the year-round tennis training program facilitated by the Coosa Country Club in partnership with Darlington. The only tennis academy in the State of Georgia with a boarding component, Tennis Academy students work with the Coosa Country Club's staff of USPTA-certified coaches and performance training specialists in specifically designed opportunities based on level of play.

**Coosa Junior Golf Academy** is the year-round golf training program offered by Rome's Coosa Country Club. The only golf academy in the State of Georgia with a boarding component, CJGA integrates a strong academic curriculum, state-of-the-art athletic facilities, and on-course professional instruction. The Academy strives to develop the highest potential in every player.

# COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES CLASS OF 2024

Allegheny College	<b>Furman University</b>	Pfeiffer University	University of Detroit Mercy
American University	Gardner-Webb University	Piedmont University	University of Florida
Appalachian State University	<b>George Mason University</b>	<b>Purdue University (Main Campus)</b>	<b>University of Georgia</b>
Arizona State University (Tempe)	<b>George Washington University</b>	Regis College	University of Houston
<b>Auburn University</b>	Georgetown University	Reinhardt University	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
<b>Augusta University</b>	Georgia College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	<b>University of Kentucky</b>
<b>Barton College</b>	<b>Georgia Institute of Technology</b>	Richmond American University London	University of Maryland (Baltimore County)
Baylor University	<b>Georgia Southern University</b>	Roanoke College	University of Maryland (College Park)
Belmont University	<b>Georgia State University</b>	Rollins College	University of Miami
<b>Bentley University</b>	<b>Hampden-Sydney College</b>	Rutgers University (New Brunswick)	University of Michigan
<b>Berry College</b>	High Point University	Sacred Heart University	<b>University of Mississippi</b>
Bethune-Cookman University	Howard University	Saint Leo University	<b>University of Missouri (Columbia)</b>
Birmingham-Southern College (Closing)	Huntingdon College	Samford University	University of Mount Olive
Boston College	Indiana University (Bloomington)	Santa Clara University	University of North Carolina at Asheville
<b>Boston University</b>	<b>Jacksonville State University</b>	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Brenau University	James Madison University	Shorter University	<b>University of North Georgia</b>
Brevard College	Johnson & Wales University (Providence)	Stetson University	University of Pennsylvania
<b>Brown University</b>	<b>Kennesaw State University</b>	Syracuse University	University of Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh)
<b>Butte College</b>	King University	Temple University	University of Richmond
Calvin University	Lehigh University	Texas A&M University	University of Rochester
Capital University	Lesley University	Texas Christian University	University of San Francisco
<b>Carnegie Mellon University</b>	Lipscomb University	The Ohio State University	University of South Carolina
Case Western Reserve University	<b>Louisiana State University</b>	<b>The University of Alabama</b>	University of Virginia (Main Campus)
Catawba College	Loyola University Maryland	<b>The University of Tampa</b>	University of Washington
Clarkson University	Loyola University New Orleans	<b>The University of Tennessee (Chattanooga)</b>	(Seattle Campus)
<b>Clayton State University</b>	<b>Lynn University</b>	The University of Tennessee (Knoxville)	University of Wisconsin (Madison)
<b>Clemson University</b>	Marian University	The University of West Florida	Ursinus College
<b>College of Charleston</b>	Mars Hill University	Trinity University	Villanova University
Columbia College (Chicago)	Maryville College	Tufts University	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
<b>Columbia University</b>	<b>Mercer University</b>	<b>Tulane University of Louisiana</b>	Washington University in St. Louis
<b>Cornell University</b>	Michigan State University	Tuskegee University	Western Carolina University
Covenant College	Middle Tennessee State University	<b>United States Coast Guard Academy</b>	<b>Wingate University</b>
<b>Dartmouth College</b>	Middlebury College	<b>University of Alabama at Birmingham</b>	Wright State University (Main Campus)
Drexel University	Milwaukee School of Engineering	<b>University of Arizona</b>	Xavier University
<b>East Carolina University</b>	Mississippi State University	University of California (Davis)	
East Tennessee State University	<b>New York University</b>	University of California (Irvine)	
<b>Eastern Florida State College</b>	North Carolina Central University	<b>University of California (Los Angeles)</b>	
<b>Elon University</b>	<b>North Carolina State University</b>	University of California (Riverside)	
Emerson College	<b>Northeastern University</b>	<b>University of California (San Diego)</b>	
<b>Emory University</b>	<b>Northwest Mississippi Community College Northwestern University</b>	University of California (Santa Barbara)	
Fisk University	<b>Nova Southeastern University</b>	University of California (Santa Cruz)	
<b>Flagler College</b>	<b>Oglethorpe University</b>	University of Colorado Boulder	
<b>Florida International University</b>	Penn State University (University Park)	University of Denver	
Florida State University			

Colleges in Bold = Matriculation

## STUDENT LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

**The Honor Council**, established by students in 1915, is comprised of representatives from grades 9-12 and assisted by one faculty advisor. The purpose of the Honor Council is two-fold: to increase students' understanding of the Honor Code and to preserve its integrity by giving justice to any student under suspicion of dishonesty. It may recommend penalties up to and including dismissal.

**The Discipline Committee** is comprised of nine elected students and five faculty members. Its goal is to lead each student toward a sense of responsibility to the school community. While the committee may recommend penalties up to and including dismissal, counseling and guidance for each student appearing before the committee is a very important role played by its members.

**The Student Council** is a body of elected student leaders that advocates and provides opportunities for the student body that are founded in "Wisdom, Service and Honor," the school's motto. The Student Council acts as representatives from the student body to the administration to make Darlington a better place for students.

**The Spiritual Life Team** is comprised of 12 students who have a desire to enhance the spiritual life of all students. Spiritual liaisons assist in planning and running chapel services each week that reflect Darlington's inclusive philosophy, ensuring students of all faith and religious backgrounds feel respected and included.

**The "Y" Cabinet**, established in 1924, is a religious life organization directed by the student-elected cabinet composed of representatives from each grade. It affords a means of expression and opportunities for service for those who desire to lead an active religious life. Among other activities, the "Y" Cabinet sponsors clothing and food drives for local, national, and international charities.

**House Leadership Positions** are selected by the faculty and the current prefects in each of Darlington's six residential houses. These positions—head prefects, academic prefects, house manager, and international liaisons, to name a few—provide leadership opportunities for both day and boarding students to play an active role in the life of their house and the culture of the school.

**The Community Service Team** is comprised of 12 Upper School students who create, organize, and develop service opportunities in the Rome community.