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## Our Mission:

The Epiphany School of Global Studies, anchored in the Judeo-Christian commandment to Love God and Your Neighbor as Yourself, is a comprehensive college-preparatory and globally-focused school where dynamic and innovative learning is stretched beyond the classroom walls, emphasizing the knowledge, skills, creativity, adaptability, curiosity, and international experiences students will need to flourish in an increasingly globalized 21st century.

## Our History:

Founded in 2006 for grades 6 through 10, Epiphany has grown into a premiere Kindergarten through 12th grade independent school, serving almost 500 students on its two campuses in the historic town of New Bern, North Carolina. Epiphany serves students in Craven, Jones, Pamlico, and Carteret counties. The school is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and the Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS). Epiphany is also a member of NCAIS, NACAC, and SACAC.

# The Epiphany School of Global Studies School Profile 2023-2024

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## Upper School at a Glance

### Number of Students

- 133 (27 Seniors)

### Financial Aid

- 20% of the Class of 2024 receives tuition assistance

### Academic Organizations

- National Junior Honor Society
- National Honor Society
- Science National Honor Society
- Mu Alpha Theta
- National Art Honor Society
- International Thespian Society
- Tri-M Music Honor Society

### Award-Winning Club Chapters

- YMCA Youth and Government
- Science Olympiad
- Interact Club
- Junior Classical League

### Student/Faculty Ratio

- 6:1

### Faculty Facts

- 70% of staff have studied or worked internationally
- 100% participate in professional development each year
- Multiple Teacher-of-the-Year recipients at a school and/or county level

### Athletics

- Member of Coastal Plains Independent Conference/ NCISAA
- 15 varsity sports teams - 85% Upper School participation

### Arts

- Visual Arts students take part in at least 7 shows/contests each year
- Performing Arts students have the opportunity to participate in 10 choral/instrumental concerts, and 10 drama productions

## COVID Response

- **2019-2020 School Year:**
  - Ceased in-person instruction on March 16, 2020. Online instruction was asynchronous Monday through Friday with some faculty requiring weekly Zoom tutorials.
  - Students received numerical grades.
  - All sports and clubs were suspended for the remainder of the school year.
- **2020-2021 School Year:**
  - In-person instruction with distance learning available for students wishing to remain home. Online students attended synchronously via live streaming in most classes.
  - Traditional course load was altered from seven classes each semester to six to mitigate the challenge of altering electives (music, theatre) to meet school's safety policies.
  - Students received numerical grades.
  - Most clubs were suspended. All sports resumed, but some seasons were shortened because of COVID concerns.
- **2021-2023 School Years:**
  - In-person instruction only. Quarantined students can attend class through synchronous or asynchronous platforms.
  - Traditional course load requirements have returned (seven classes each semester). All electives have resumed.
  - All sports and clubs have resumed.

## Global Focus

- **85% of the Class of 2024 will have traveled internationally by graduation, 55% with the school.** (Travel affected by Covid restrictions.)
- **All freshmen** engage in a school-subsidized **service-learning trip** with Immersion Abroad in Atenas, **Costa Rica**.
- **Seniors** spend their last month of high school participating in **long-range service projects** in Eastern North Carolina and **Belize**.
- Epiphany families host **exchange students** each year. Previous students have come from Spain, China, Finland, Germany, Haiti, and France.
- Upper School students help plan and facilitate two **International Family Nights** each year. Past events include performances from Taiko drummers, Chinese acrobats, and Thai Likay performers.
- All courses include required **global components**. Epiphany faculty do **extensive professional development** through several organizations, including UNC's World View program.
- Epiphany is fully endorsed by the **Global Education Benchmark Group**.

# Academic Program

**Graduation Requirements:** A minimum of 27 credits in required courses and electives. Full-year courses (which include almost all core classes) receive 1.0 academic credit, and semester courses receive .5 credit.

Subject and Requirements	Honors and Advanced Placement Course Offerings
<b>Literature</b> 4.0 credits required	Honors World Literature I Honors World Literature II Honors British Literature Honors American Literature AP English Language and Composition AP English Literature and Composition
<b>Mathematics</b> 4.0 credits required	Honors Geometry Honors Algebra II Honors Precalculus AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC
<b>Science</b> 4.0 credits required	Honors Biology Honors Chemistry Honors Human Anatomy and Physiology Honors Zoology Honors Physics Honors Space and Earth Science AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science
<b>Social Studies</b> 4.0 credits required	Honors World History Honors World Geography and Culture Honors American History Honors US Government and Economics AP Human Geography AP European History AP United States History AP US Government and Politics
<b>World Language</b> 3.0 credits required (in same language)	Honors Latin 1-4 AP Latin Honors Spanish 1-5 AP Spanish Language and Culture (not offered in 2022-2023 school year)
<b>Fine/Performing Arts</b> 1.0 credit required	Honors Chorus
<b>Communication-Based Electives</b> 3.0 credits required <b>Physical Education/Health</b> 1.0 credit required <b>General Electives</b> 3.0 credits required	Honors Writing and Composition Honors Independent Study (0.5 credit, required) Honors Yearbook

## Grading Scale:

Cumulative grade point averages are based on final grades earned in Epiphany-facilitated or approved courses.

The following grade scale is used for all courses in the Upper School:

Grade	Quality Points
A+ (98-100)	4.3
A (94-97)	4.0
A- (90-93)	3.6
B+ (88-89)	3.3
B (84-87)	3.0
B- (80-83)	2.6
C+ (78-79)	2.3
C (74-77)	2.0
C- (70-73)	1.6
D+ (69)	1.3
D (67-68)	1.0
D- (65-66)	0.7
F (<65)	0

## Weighting

Honors courses are awarded an additional .5 quality point.  
AP courses are awarded an additional 1.0 quality point.

Outside Credits

Some students enroll at Craven Community College through NC’s Career and College Promise Program during their junior and/or senior year. The most popular courses include Writing & Inquiry, Principles of Micro/Macroeconomics, Psychology, and Sociology. These courses are included on student transcripts with the abbreviation (DE) after the course name and calculated in the student’s GPA as honors-level courses. Students may only take two dual enrollment courses per semester.

Students also have the option to apply to and enroll in the NC School of Science and Mathematics (NCSSM) Online Program. This extremely competitive program offers eligible students additional honors/AP-level coursework that is calculated into the student’s Epiphany GPA and included on their transcript with the abbreviation (NCSSM) after the course name. Participants typically take one course per semester.

AP Guidelines

Students may take AP courses throughout their Upper School careers but must seek permission to take more than two in a school year.

Students may also take additional AP courses through NCAIS, Virtual High School, or other accredited extension programs.

# Academic Accomplishments

Graduating classes typically earn over **\$3 million** in merit scholarships.

Epiphany graduates have earned **Naval Academy** and **West Point Appointments**, been named **Park** (NC State) and **Benjamin N. Duke Scholars** (Duke University), made it to the final rounds of the **Morehead-Cain** (UNC Chapel Hill) and **Levine Scholar** (UNC Charlotte) programs, and been named **honors scholars** at colleges and universities nationwide.

## Cumulative GPA Distribution (Weighted)

Class of 2024 (27 seniors):

<b>4.5 and higher:</b>	4 students
<b>4.25-4.49:</b>	3 students
<b>4.0-4.24:</b>	1 student
<b>3.75-3.99:</b>	4 students
<b>3.5-3.74:</b>	3 students
<b>3.25-3.49:</b>	6 students
<b>3.0-3.24:</b>	1 student
<b>1.75-2.99:</b>	5 students

## Strength of Program

Strength of program is determined by the number of credits attempted at the AP level in the junior and senior years at Epiphany. We consider these courses to be the most challenging academic experiences available to our students. Listed is the number of students in the Class of 2024 at each level:

<b>Most Demanding (5+):</b>	9 students
<b>Very Demanding (3-4):</b>	9 students
<b>Demanding (1-2):</b>	3 students
<b>Average (0):</b>	6 students

## School Honors

Awarded each semester:

<b>Head of School's List:</b>	Semester GPA of 4.00 or greater
<b>First Honors:</b>	Semester GPA of 3.75-3.99
<b>Second Honors:</b>	Semester GPA of 3.50-3.74

## Class of 2024 Testing Statement

Please note that there is too little SAT and/or ACT data to report on the Class of 2021 through 2024's behalf. With many universities remaining test optional, more than half of our seniors have not tested or will not be including test scores on their applications this year. In light of these continuing circumstances, we will not be updating our mean data this school year.

## AP Exam Results

Year	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
<b>Total AP Students</b>	82	72	63	67	75
<b>Number of exams</b>	129	122	103	111	117
<b>AP students with scores 3+</b>	58	53	42	52	91
<b>% of AP students with scores 3+</b>	71%	74%	67%	77%	78%

## AP Exam Recognitions

### 2022-2023 School Year:

3 AP Scholars w/Distinction  
5 AP Scholars w/Honor  
9 AP Scholars



**AP School Honor Roll**

**2023**



## SAT Test Results

Mean SAT scores:

Class	ERW	M	MID 50%
2020 (27 students)	610	615	1120-1350
2019 (29 students)	640	620	1170-1345
2018 (28 students)	630	630	1180-1365
2017 (25 students)	600	600	1080-1330

## ACT Results

Mean ACT scores:

Class	COMPOSITE	MID 50%
2020 (40 students)	25	23-29
2019 (33 students)	27	24-29
2018 (21 students)	26	22-28
2017 (5 students)	25	18-26

# College Acceptances

The Classes of 2019-2023 were accepted to the colleges and universities listed below. Student enrollment is indicated in **bold**.

Agnes Scott College

**American College of the Building Arts**

**American University**

**Appalachian State University**

Auburn University

Baldwin Wallace University

Ball State University

Barton College

Baylor University

Berry College

**Biola University**

Boston University

**Carteret Community College**

**Campbell University**

Case Western Reserve University

Catholic University of America

Chowan University

Christopher Newport University

Clemson University

**Columbia International University**

Converse College

**Cornell University**

Covenant College

**Craven Community College**

**Davidson College**

**Duke University**

**East Carolina University**

Eastern Mennonite University

**Elizabeth City State University**

**Elon University**

**Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University—**

**Daytona Beach**

Emerson College

**Emory University (Oxford College)**

Florida Gulf Coast University

Furman University

Georgetown University

Goucher College

Guilford College

**Hamilton College**

**Hampden-Sydney College**

Hawaii Pacific University

**High Point University**

Hollins University

**Houghton College**

**Indiana University—Bloomington**

James Madison University

Johnson & Wales University—Charlotte

Providence Keiser University

**Lees-McRae College**

**Lenoir Community College**

Lenoir-Rhyne University

**Liberty University**

Louisiana State University

**Marion Military Institute**

McDaniel College

Menlo College

Mercer University

**Meredith College**

Miami University, Oxford

Michigan State University

**Mississippi State University**

Newbury College

**North Carolina State University**

Northeastern University

Nova Southeastern University

Ohio University

Pace University—New York

**Pennsylvania State University**

Presbyterian College

**Princeton University**

Purdue University

**Queens University of Charlotte**

**Randolph-Macon College**

Rhodes College

Rice University

Ringling College of Art and Design

Roanoke College

**Rochester Institute of Technology**

St. Bonaventure University

Saint Louis University

**Saint Mary's College**

Samford University

**Savannah College of Art and Design**

Seton Hall University

Shenandoah University

Simmons University

**Southeastern University**

**Syracuse University**

Tennessee Technological University

Texas Christian University

**The George Washington University**

**The Ohio State University**

**Toronto Metropolitan University**

(Canada)

Trine University

**United States Military Academy—**

**West Point**

**United States Naval Academy**

University of Alabama

University of British Columbia (Canada)

University of California—Berkeley

**University of California—Davis**

University of California—Irvine

University of Chicago

University of Connecticut

**University of Edinburgh (Scotland)**

University of Florida

University of Georgia

University of Maine

University of Maine at Augusta

University of Maryland—College Park

University of Massachusetts—Amherst

University of Michigan

University of Mississippi

University of Mount Olive

UNC Asheville

**UNC Chapel Hill**

**UNC Charlotte**

**UNC Greensboro**

UNC Pembroke

**UNC Wilmington**

University of North Dakota

University of Pittsburgh

University of St. Andrews (Scotland)

**University of South Carolina**

University of Southern Maine

University of Tampa

University of Tennessee

University of Toronto (Canada)

University of Washington

**University of Wisconsin—Madison**

**UNC School of the Arts**

Valdosta State University

Virginia Military Institute

**Virginia Tech**

Virginia Wesleyan University

Wake Forest University

Washington & Lee University

Washington University in St. Louis

**Wesley College**

**West Virginia University**

Western Carolina University

Western Michigan University

**William Peace University**

Wingate University

Wofford College

Xavier University

**Yale University**