

The School

Founded in 1952, Harding Academy is a coeducational, college-preparatory Christian school serving ages 6 weeks–grade 12 in the heart of east Memphis. The school is known for its rigorous academics, arts and athletic offerings, and racial diversity. There are 44 full and part-time high school faculty members, 60% of whom hold an advanced degree.

Mission

Harding Academy teaches students to love others as Christ loves them, to think creatively and learn with open minds, and to live courageously to the glory of God.



**ENROLLMENT
 GRADES 9–12**

211



**FACULTY:
 STUDENT RATIO**

1:5



**AP
 SCHOLARS**

7



**ATHLETICS
 PARTICIPATION**

86%



**FINE ARTS
 PARTICIPATION**

83%

Accreditations & Memberships

- Cognia (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, 1960)
- National Christian School Association (2011)
- TSSAA Division II-A (varsity and junior varsity)

Athletics

Baseball (B)	Cross Country (B&G)	Soccer (B&G)	Trap (B&G)
Basketball (B&G)	Football (B)	Softball (G)	Volleyball (G)
Bowling (B&G)	Golf (B&G)	Tennis (B&G)	
Cheer (G)		Track (B&G)	

COVID-19 Response

Students completed the fourth quarter of the 2019–2020 school year in virtual synchronized learning. For the 2020–2021 school year, students could attend in person or through virtual synchronized instruction. Starting with the 2021–2022 school year, students have been required to attend in person. The numerical grading scale and college preparatory curriculum have remained in place throughout every school year.

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ADMINISTRATION

Trent Williamson, President
 Shana Efaw, Upper School Principal
 Anne Nowlin, Director of Enrollment and Advancement
 Sarah Banker, Director of Counseling Services and College Counselor

CLASS OF 2023 (47 graduates)

One hundred percent of students applied and were accepted into multiple colleges and universities. They were offered \$7.2 million in scholarship money with 98% of students receiving at least one scholarship.

- Average composite ACT score: 23.6
- Average top quartile composite ACT: 30.1
- Students taking ACT: 100%



Course Offerings 9–12

BIBLE

Bible 9—Story of Israel
 Bible 10—Story of Jesus
 Bible 11—Story of the Church
 Bible 12—21st Century Christian
 Honors World Religion and Ethics

MATHEMATICS

Algebra I
 Algebra II
 Geometry
 Honors Geometry
 Introduction to College Algebra
 Precalculus
 Honors Precalculus
 Statistics
 AP Statistics (ES)
 AP Calculus AB
 AP Calculus BC

SOCIAL STUDIES

World History
 American History
 African American History
 Honors African American History (DE)
 AP US History
 Government/Economics

SCIENCE

Physical Science
 Biology
 Honors Biology
 Chemistry
 Honors Chemistry
 AP Chemistry
 AP Environmental Science
 AP Biology
 Anatomy and Physiology
 Environmental Science
 Engineering

ENGLISH

English 9
 Honors English 9
 American Literature 10
 Honors American Literature 10
 British Literature 11
 AP Language & Composition 11
 Capstone Senior English 12
 AP Literature & Composition 12
 Creative Writing I, II (ES)

LANGUAGE

Spanish I
 Spanish II
 Honors Spanish III
 AP Spanish Language and Culture
 French I
 French II

FINE ARTS

Art I
 Art 2-D I, Honors II, Honors III
 Art 3-D I, Honors II, Honors III
 Digital Art I, II
 A Cappella Chorus, Honors
 Drama
 Jr. Concert Band, Honors
 Sr. Wind Ensemble, Honors

OTHER

Accounting
 Computer Applications
 AP Computer Science (ES)
 Horticulture
 Journalism I, II, III, IV
 Physical Fitness
 Study Hall (no credit)

DE= Dual enrollment course taught by Harding faculty and offered through the University of Memphis

ES= Online course offered through Ethos School

Grading Scale

Grade	Scale	Weighted
A+	98-100	4.67
A	93-97	4.33
A-	90-92	4.00
B+	87-89	3.67
B	83-86	3.33
B-	80-82	3.00
C+	77-79	2.67
C	73-76	2.33
C-	70-72	2.00
D	65-69	1.00
F	0-64	0

GPA and Class Rank

Grade point average is cumulative. For the purpose of ranking in class only, extra quality points are added for honors (0.5), dual enrollment (0.5) and AP (1) courses when the student makes a C- or higher. If a student enters Harding with high school credits from another school, courses and grades are added to their Harding transcript and included in the cumulative grade point average. Transcripts from previous schools will be provided with our transcripts.

Graduation Requirements

Subject	Credits
Bible	4
English	4
Mathematics	4
Science	4
Social Studies	4
Language	2
Physical Education	1
Fine Art	1
Electives	4

Students take seven or eight classes each year. Students take Bible, English, mathematics, social studies, and science every year.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE HIGHLIGHTS 2017–2023

Auburn University
 Baylor University
 Belmont University
 Boston University
 Clark Atlanta University
 Colgate University
 Colorado School of Mines
 Columbia University
 Cornell University
 Emory University
 Fisk University
 Freed-Hardeman University
 Georgia Institute of Technology
 Hampton University

Harding University
 Harvard University
 Howard University
 Liberty University
 Lipscomb University
 Marquette University
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 Mississippi State University
 Morehouse College
 North Carolina State University
 Northeastern University
 Pennsylvania State University
 Pepperdine University

Purdue University
 Rhodes College
 Samford University
 Savannah College of Art and Design
 Southern Methodist University
 Spelman College
 Syracuse University
 Tennessee State University
 Texas A & M University
 Texas Christian University
 Tulane University
 Tuskegee University
 University of Alabama

University of Arkansas
 University of California, Berkley
 University of Georgia
 University of Memphis
 University of Miami
 University of Mississippi
 University of North Carolina
 University of Pennsylvania
 University of Tennessee
 University of Virginia
 Vanderbilt University
 Virginia Tech University
 Wheaton College
 Xavier University of Louisiana