



**21<sup>st</sup> Annual 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Options Night**  
**Thursday October 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**6pm**

**Presented by,**  
**Rio Grande School**

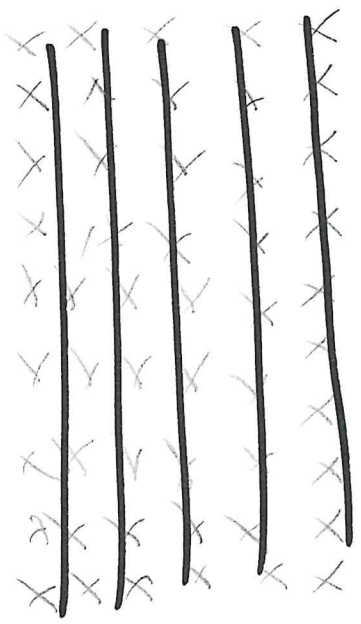
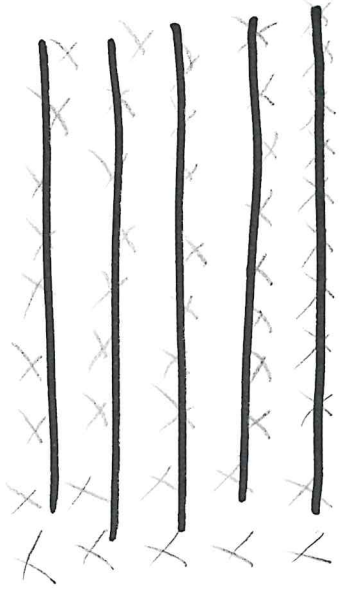
**Schools in attendance this evening  
(in order of table number from left to right)**

- 1. Tierra Encantada**
- 2. Academy for Technology and the Classics**
- 3. Camino de Paz**
- 4. Mandela International Magnet School**
- 5. Monte Del Sol**
- 6. Desert Academy**
- 7. Waldorf**
- 8. Turquoise Trail**
- 9. Journey Montessori**
- 10. Santa Fe School for the Arts and Sciences**
- 11. Santa Fe Girls School**
- 12. Santa Fe Prep**
- 13. Eldorado Community School**
- 14. St. Michael's Junior/Senior High School**

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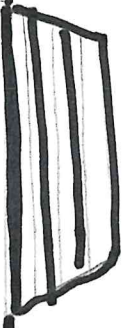
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BOYS BATHROOM

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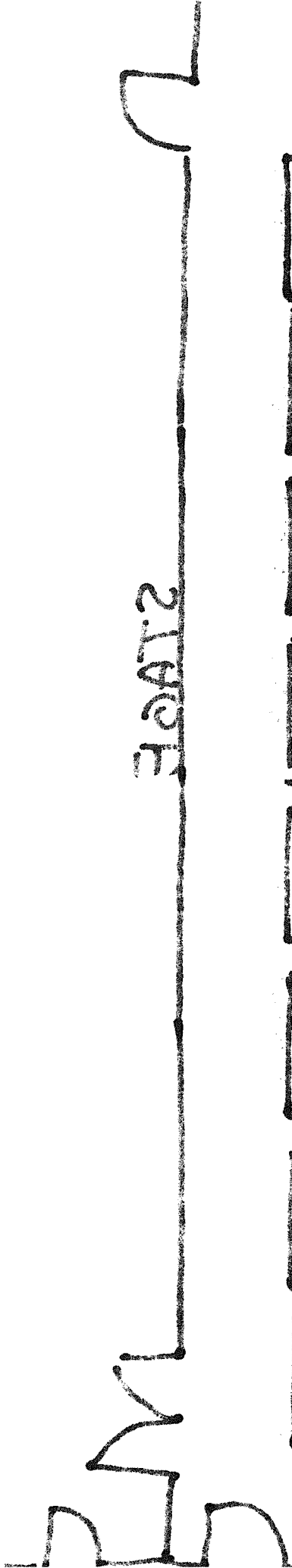
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### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Tierra Encantada Charter School is to empower students as citizen scholars within a dual language environment through a rigorous learning curriculum, which will prepare students for post-secondary success.



### **Experiential Learning & Immersions:**

Tierra Encantada Charter School is a Project-Based school rooted in the fundamental philosophy of the EL Education Model which emphasizes three dimensions of student achievement:

- Mastery of Knowledge and Skills
- Character
- High Quality Student Work

Emphasis is placed on development of the whole child with an expectation that the skills, knowledge, and experiences gained will enable the student to reach post-secondary outcomes that reach far beyond what they intend for themselves, but also help them contribute to a healthy, sustainable, livable world.

Through Immersions, students take the learning out of the classroom and into the community and the “world” to partake in social, civic, and community-based learning experiences that not only enrich their academic and social selves but give back to the world in which they live.

### **Bilingual Education**

Tierra Encantada provides a Dual Language Education Experience with a mission to develop students who demonstrate cognitive, academic proficiency in two languages: English and Spanish. Core content areas are provided in both English and Spanish and all students take English Language Arts and Spanish Language Arts as part of their core curriculum for the span of years 7th-12th grade. The ultimate goal is to graduate students that are bilingual to increase their marketability for jobs and community experiences in a dual/trilingual community, world and global economy. TECS also strives to graduate students with the State of New Mexico Biliteracy, Bilingual Seal which certifies that the recipient is proficient in a language other than English. As our students grow in a community and world with a need for language other than English, we find it imperative to support our students in this to better our school and community.

## Classroom Environment

Students will benefit from a small school feel with a dedicated and high-achieving teaching staff who support and monitor students beyond their academic growth. Teachers will support students to become not only academic scholars but people of good character. All students participate in a CREW class where they participate in character building activities, initiatives, immersions, civic-engagement practices, social-skills development and where hard work and grit are encouraged and expected. Don't expect a traditional classroom feel at TECS. Students will often be "in the field" and experiencing the classroom beyond the desks and walls and in the real world!

## Technology

All student have 1:1 access to laptops in their classes. This enables teachers to utilize different programs like: Google Classroom, Newsela, Fast ForWord, and Mid-School Math. These programs are able to reach a variety of learners, so students can be challenged or given support as needed. Presentations performed by students through Apple TV and projection. Fast efficient wireless technology throughout the building. This use of technology in education creates a rigorous learning environment and keeps students up to date with 21st Century needs.

## Athletics

All students interested in sports are encouraged to participate in athletics. We believe that athletics teaches student-athletes responsibility, teamwork, and sportsmanship. Our goal is to help young athletes learn how to develop these characteristics through sports. We want to mold them into individuals that will be successful on and off the court or playing field. Through the dedication and determination of our coaching staff, we are confident that our student-athletes will also be prepared for future endeavors beyond high school. We have the expectation that our young men and women will be productive and respectful citizens when they graduate.

### TECS Athletic Offerings

Boys	Girls
Soccer (Varsity)	Volleyball (Middle, Varsity)
Basketball (Middle, Varsity)	Basketball (Middle, Varsity)
Wrestling (Varsity)	Cheer
Baseball (Varsity) COED	

## Application and Registration

The application process begins in February, check our website for updates. Please feel free to come by TECS for a tour and if interested your student can set up a shadow day.



"Casa de los Alacranes"

## The Academy for Technology and the Classics Charter School

### Santa Fe, New Mexico

ATC offers a traditional liberal arts/classical education while providing the technology tools to enhance critical thinking, problem solving, and analysis. ATC has 393 students 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. This small school environment allows the faculty and staff to create meaningful relationships with students and their parents. The size of the school allows the faculty and staff to have an impact on the lives of the students. Our students are not anonymous. Every child has someone that cares very deeply for them.

ATC requires students engage in a rigorous curriculum. All students must take Advanced Placement courses and the middle school must take pre-AP courses. This “no easy way out” philosophy is invigorating to students who may have been bored in other schools. Some of our students come to us in 7<sup>th</sup> grade below grade level and are English Language Learners. By the time they are in 10<sup>th</sup> grade they are mastering the curriculum in the Advanced Placement Classes and have exited ELL. 45% of our students are economically disadvantaged; however, ATC believes that having high expectations with support is a social justice issue. We don’t make exceptions. The professional team at ATC believes in our students before they begin to believe in themselves, and students are not allowed to fall through the cracks. Our teachers are determined that students will succeed and have the tools to have access to higher education. Each year between 90 % or more go to a four year college and the remainder go to a community college, trade school, or the military.

ATC has very few instructional resources; however, we pay our teachers for an 8 hour day allowing for 2.5 hours of planning and parent conference time. This additional hour allows teachers to involve parents in their child’s education. All parent communication is logged in a school-wide share folder. Over 1600 phone calls have been made to parents this school year. Teachers meet with parents when students have 3, 5, and 7 absences. Our attendance rate is one of the highest in the state. Teachers also conference with parents on a regular basis about academics. We have an explicit plan for engaging parents in their child’s education.

ATC has two full time guidance counselors resulting in a 1 to 195 ratio. In 2018 52 graduating seniors received over \$3M in financial aid and scholarships and 34% were first generation college attendees. While some schools invest in expensive curriculum programs, staff development, and remediation programs, ATC works to provide an environment that supports students on a personal level emotionally and academically.

### Climate

The culture at ATC allows those students on the fringe to feel safe resulting in freedom to learn. Students feel free to be themselves without the threat of bullying. Every student and groups of students has a special relationship with one or more of the faculty. Within this structured environment student are trusted, have freedom and are treated like respected adults. Teachers model acceptance and civility. ATC hires people with diverse backgrounds and model diversity and acceptance. Staff is attend staff development that supports this type of environment.

## **Structure**

Systems are in place for decision making that involves teachers and students.

ATC's practice is to identify goals for continuous improvement, identify strengths, and create an action plan for improvement. Teachers create a team to study issues looking inside and outside the school for solutions. Teachers create a plan to address goals and bring the work to the school-as-a-whole for input and final decision making. Ground up decision making allows teachers to be empowered to innovate. This nurtures teachers and incentivizes them to go beyond expectations. If teachers have academic freedom they will go to extraordinary efforts to meet the needs of students.

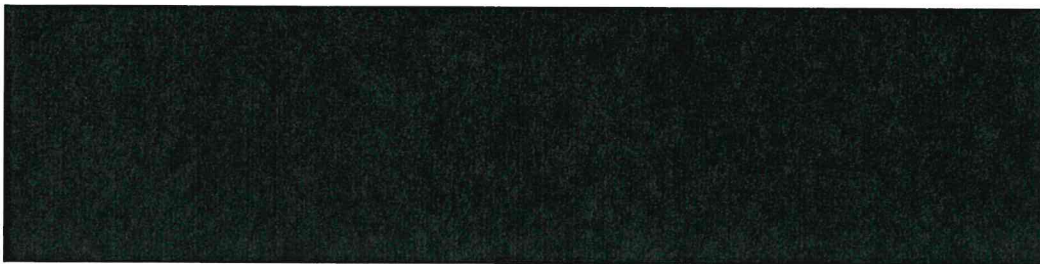
The ATC organization has developed systems to improve student attendance through parental involvement. Each year students take a course entitled College Crew. This was developed by teachers and provides a different focus each year such as school orientation, leadership, freshman seminar, college success, test prep, and senior seminar.

ATC is highly selective in recruiting and hiring teachers. Teachers must demonstrate a passion for teaching and relate to students. Interviewees go through extensive hiring process. Teachers must be a perfect fit for our unique environment. Our teachers not only have a tremendous impact on their students, they will also have a powerful impact on our school-as-a-whole. They must be being willing to go to extraordinary efforts to help students achieve success.

Students are highly involved in the decision making process. The student council initiates and implements all activities at the school. They meet every Monday and take notes on Google classroom and then distribute the notes to teachers, students, and the parent organization. They attend Board meetings and provide the principal with valuable input.

ATC cultivates fearless teachers and students.





Camino de Paz understands that learning is a physical, emotional and intellectual process. Our approach to the curriculum changes to specifically accommodate the differences in growth, maturity and brain development between the ages of 12 and 18. This distinction is reflected in the variations between our **Middle School** and **High School** programs.

***Now serving Grades 7-12 in Santa Cruz and Santa Fe  
Accepting applications for Grades 7, 8, 9 and 10***

**MIDDLE SCHOOL CURRICULUM: Grades 7, 8 and 9**

The locus of activity for Grades 7, 8 and 9 is our farm/school campus in Santa Cruz. Here students are challenged daily in core academic areas through regularly scheduled classes and practically applied tasks. Academic work is integrated with the operations of our organic farm and goat dairy, the natural world and the local community. Our students are directly engaged in real economic work that is central to the rite of passage into adulthood.

The work on the farm is a vital factor in developing students' confidence, maturity, community values, responsibility, and work ethic. The outcomes of this type work are a more in-depth understanding of concepts in math, science, communication skills, and self-expression. This lays the foundation for students to become active citizens and informed problem solvers in the Camino de Paz community and beyond.

An emphasis is placed on Creative Expression (art, music, creative writing, etc.), Business and Entrepreneurship in addition to mathematics, humanities, science, literature, language arts, and Spanish. Teachers, peers and the students themselves evaluate work and progress. Students are expected to show steady improvement in their work according to their abilities.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: ▶ SUNDAY, OCT. 20 ▶ SUNDAY, NOV. 3**  
***Program begins at 1:00 followed by tours, Q&A with parents, students, alumni, staff.***

**HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM: Grades 10, 11 and 12: Santa Fe Railyard campus**

From the 10<sup>th</sup> grade, students begin to look beyond the boundaries of the farm to the wider community. The High School begins the transition to our Santa Fe campus, where students have wider possibilities of engaging work and collaborating with other organizations. They have already demonstrated their maturity and ability to make a valuable contribution to their community and a commitment to service. Their relationship to the activities of the farm moves from operations to planning, administrative and evaluative tasks.

The integrated studies of the Upper School take on local, social and environmental challenges as focal points. Students work to solve real world problems through collaborative research, engaging local and global experts. They learn to apply science, history, economics, technology, mathematics and communication to affect change.

**HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: ▶ WEDNESDAY, OCT. 16 ▶ THURSDAY, NOV. 14**  
**5:00-7:00 p.m. Santa Fe Farmers Market Pavilion, 1607 Paseo de Peralta, Santa Fe**

P. O. Box 669      Santa Cruz, NM 87567      505-747-9717      [www.caminodepaz.net](http://www.caminodepaz.net)

*Camino de Paz is a non-profit 501c(3) corporation; tax ID #043762309*



**APPLICATION PROCESS FOR ADMISSION TO CAMINO de PAZ**

1. Parents and prospective students **attend an Open House** or schedule a school visit.
2. Parents and prospective student **schedule the student's visiting (shadow) day.**
3. **Submit a complete application packet** consisting of:
  - a. Forms completed by Parent(s), Student, two Teacher Recommendations. \*
  - b. Application Deposit of \$500 (see #4)
4. Camino de Paz will contact the family to schedule a **Student Interview.**

\*These forms are included in our Application Packet or may be downloaded from our website (see Application Forms). Application forms are due **February 1** for fall enrollment and financial aid. *Applications are accepted throughout the school year if spaces are available. Students are admitted for both the fall semester (August) and winter semester (January).*

5. The application forms must be accompanied by a **non-refundable deposit of \$500.** If the student is admitted, the deposit will be credited toward the annual tuition.
6. It must be emphasized that the Middle School and Upper School **curricula operate on three-year cycles.** Students are expected to finish the cycle of grades 7-8-9 to complete the full Middle School curriculum and grades 10-11-12 for Upper School.

***Accepting applications for Grades 7, 8, 9 and 10***

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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### MIMS: Educating the Whole Person for the Whole World

As a fully authorized IB school, we serve students in grades 7-10 with the Middle Years Programme (MYP), and grades 11-12 with the Diploma Programme (DP). As an IB World School, we fully embrace the tenets and mission of the IB to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

Mandela opened its doors five years ago with the intention of providing a unique and rich academic opportunity for the entirety of the Santa Fe community. As such, we serve a diverse population of students who are interested in a rigorous education that emphasizes international engagement and cultural competency. Our stated mission is to empower learners to become compassionate and principled decision-makers and responsible world citizens, and to provide the skills and tools so that our students can become agents of positive change.

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

- **October 30, 2019** Open House (5:30 – 6:30 pm)  
Mandela Campus, 1604 Agua Fria Street
- **November 3, 2019** Lottery Application available online  
[mims.sfps.info](http://mims.sfps.info)
- **February 14, 2020** Lottery Application Closes (5:00 pm)
- **February 19, 2020** Lottery Drawing (5:30 pm)



## OUR CURRICULUM:

As part of our programming, we offer a rich academic setting that includes world music, orchestra, theater, visual arts and a choice of either Spanish or Chinese as a second language. Our students experience an interdisciplinary curriculum focused on teaching students how to learn for understanding through concept-based curricula - not just content acquisition. In addition to being an IB school, we embrace the ideology of Harvard Project Zero, an education research group dedicated to understanding and enhancing learning and thinking. Project Zero's focus on visual thinking, the creation of agency through the design process and teaching within global context aligns with our school's mission.

## OUR STAFF:

Mandela International School's faculty is an elite group of educators that average 18 years of teaching experience. More than 20% of our teachers are National Board Certified and 25% of our teachers are bilingual endorsed. Cumulatively our teachers have taught or trained in Ecuador, Pakistan, Paraguay, Japan, Guatemala, Spain, Mexico, Thailand, Kenya, France, Morocco, Taiwan, Venezuela, Egypt, Thailand, Greece, India and Qatar.

## OUR PROGRAMS:

In addition to being intellectually rigorous and highly academic, IB learners strive to be open-minded, caring, reflective, balanced, principled, knowledgeable, and hard-working. Our students are known as enthusiastic inquirers, creative and ethical thinkers, resilient risk-takers, and collaborative communicators.

Clubs include: Chess club, Model United Nations (MUN), cross-country, volleyball, Upstart Crows (Theatre club), iNSPIRE Santa Fe (mentorship program), Natural Helpers (with the SkyCenter), yearbook club, First Serve Santa Fe, Breakthrough Santa Fe, Student Council, art club, Gay-Straight Alliance, The Muse (literary magazine), Destination Imagination, newspaper club, and No Place for Hate club. Many of our students participate in sports with other Santa Fe Public School teams like Santa Fe High, Capital High, Aspen Community School, Nina Otero Community School and others in Soccer, Cross-Country, Baseball, Track & Field, and Cheer.



# Monte del Sol Charter School



## Admissions Open House

**Wednesday, October 23, 2019, 5:30 – 7:00 pm**

Monte del Sol Charter School Open House. Wednesday, October 23, 5:30 – 7 PM. 4157 Walking Rain Rd., Santa Fe. Integrated and experiential learning featuring Mentorship, AP + Honors Courses, Arts Integration, International Trips, and Certificate Programs in Sustainability Technologies and Culinary Arts. Enjoy tours of our greenhouse and gardens and food prepared by Monte's Culinary Arts students. A small school where every student is known and respected. Grades 7-12.

Admission by lottery. Apply on our website: [www.mdscs.org](http://www.mdscs.org), 505.982.5225



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GRADES 6-12  
7300 OLD SANTA FE TRAIL  
SANTA FE, NM 87505  
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INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE  
WORLD SCHOOL

Meet our Director of Admissions  
**Lucy Barna**  
admissions@desertacademy.org  
505-501-7978  
Please contact to schedule a tour, setup a Shadow Day, or request admissions info



Meet our Head of School  
**Dr. Yann Lussiez**  
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505-501-7977  
Join us for Coffee with Dr Yann, Friday mornings. Please visit our website for dates.

**IMPORTANT DATES:**  
Priority Applications due Dec 1, 2019  
Application Deadline: Feb 14, 2020  
Admissions decisions returned within 14 days of application.

**MYP CURRICULUM**  
6-10 Grades

**DP CURRICULUM**  
11-12 Grades

**ADDT'L CURRICULUM**  
Social-Emotional Learning (FOCUS)  
Service Learning (PAWS)  
10th grade Personal Project  
Junior Seminar/Life Skills

**OPPORTUNITIES**  
*Sports/ Arts/ Film/ Media*  
NYC + Italy vocal performance,  
48-Hour Film Fest, Collaboration  
with Stagecoach Productions

As an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School, Desert Academy prepares students for life in the 21st Century in an interconnected world. Desert Academy students learn critical thinking skills, analysis, and a sense of international-mindedness. Since its founding in 1994, Desert Academy has earned a reputation for academic excellence and a nurturing, inclusive culture. Our school provides a unique, caring environment where students can thrive without the typical educational constrictions inherent in public education. With a child-centered approach, our school encourages students to feel ownership in their learning and discover who they are.

**AVERAGE CLASS SIZE:**  
12 Students

**STUDENT/FACULTY RATIO:** 6:1

**EXCHANGE STUDENTS:**  
4-8/year

Highest ACT scores in SF County  
Avg College Scholarship \$20k/yr.

**COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES:**  
Harvard, Stanford, Duke,  
Parsons School of Design, Yale,  
Brown, Princeton, Columbia, Lewis  
and Clark, U of Chicago, Dartmouth  
and more.

Think private education is out of reach?  
Think again.  
GENEROUS SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS AVAILABLE.



# TAKE A CLOSER LOOK

## OPEN HOUSE

FALL OPEN HOUSE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24TH 5:30 PM

Prospective students and their parents are invited to join us for our annual Fall Open House. During this informative and interactive evening, students will attend a variety of class presentations. Parents will learn about Desert Academy's approach to education and what it means to attend an International Baccalaureate (IB) school. Information will also be available about the admissions process, including financial assistance. Light snacks and refreshments provided.

WINTER WINE & CHEESE OPEN HOUSE: THURSDAY, JANUARY 23RD 5:30 PM

A second chance to see our campus and learn about our programs, but in a more informal way. Select faculty and students will be available to answer questions and share about their experiences in the classroom and the Desert community. Wine and cheese will be shared, fostering our Desert spirit of social community and friendship.

## SHADOW DAYS

MONDAYS 8:20-3:30

We happily invite any interested students to experience a "day in the life" at Desert Academy. We have found this is often the strongest deciding factor for prospective students and their families. With a welcoming peer by their side, prospective students will see a full day of classes, including Humanities, English, Science, Math, World Languages, and a choice of electives such as Performing Arts, Design, Film, Philosophy, Photography, Computer Science, etc.

Please contact our Admissions Director to schedule a day. Call (505)-501-7978 or email [admissions@desertacademy.org](mailto:admissions@desertacademy.org).

## COFFEE WITH DR. YANN

FRIDAYS 9-10 AM

Parents are invited to this enjoy informal coffee hour with our Head of School, Dr. Yann Lussiez. This is a unique opportunity to learn more about the vision of Desert Academy and get to know the friendly face that guides our school.

This event is held one Friday per month, from 9:00-10:00 AM. Please visit our website for current dates. RSVP to [admissions@desertacademy.org](mailto:admissions@desertacademy.org) to secure your spot.

## PARENT TOURS

MONDAYS 8:30-10:00 AM & 1ST FRIDAY OF MONTH 12:30-2:00 PM

During this time, prospective parents will walk the campus, learn more about our IB programming and student life, and have the opportunity to meet briefly with our Head of School and other faculty members. It's a great time to see classes in action and feel the Desert energy.

Please contact our Admissions Director to schedule a day. Call (505)-501-7978 or email [admissions@desertacademy.org](mailto:admissions@desertacademy.org).

# Explore a new school of thought. Explore a new school.

Discover a school where the arts, academics, and athletics come alive in a truly integrated curriculum.

Parents interested in learning about Waldorf education are invited to meet faculty, visit classes, and tour our 13-acre campus.

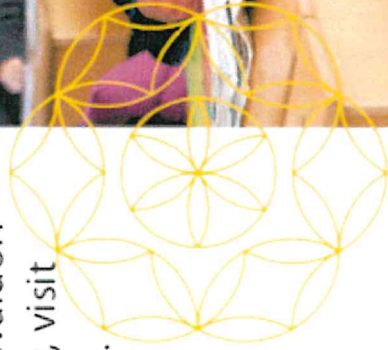
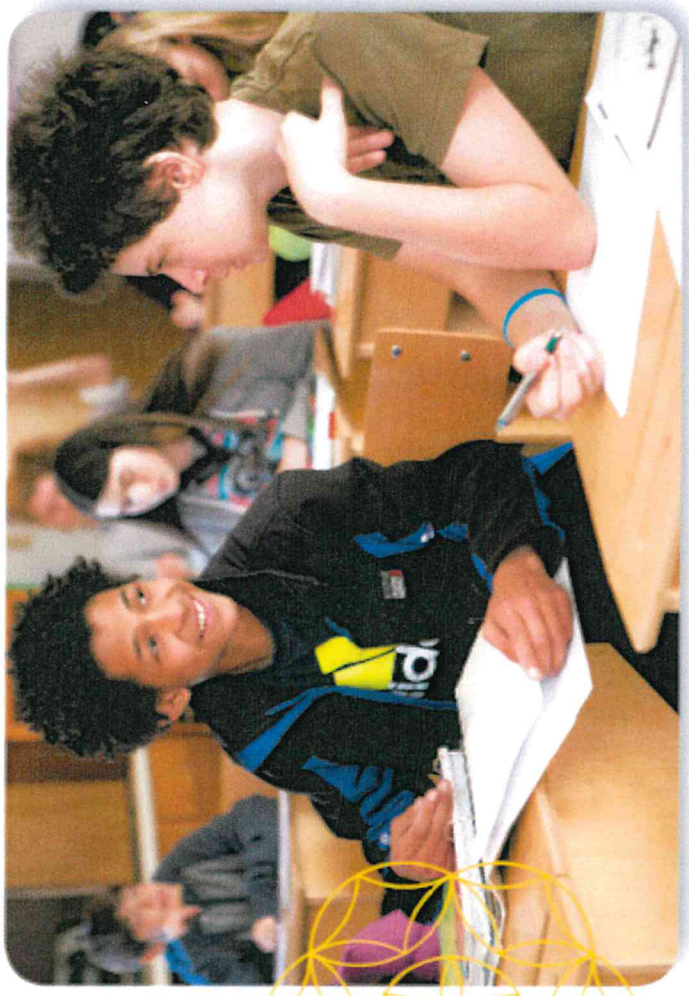
**Visitor Mornings | 8:30 am**

September 10, October 8,

November 12 & December 10

**High School Open House | 5:30 pm**

October 16



Santa Fe  
**WALDORF**

Global K-12 for Unstandardized Minds

If you are unable to attend these events,  
please call our Admissions Director to arrange  
an individual campus tour.

Pre-K through High School | 26 Puesta del Sol, Santa Fe, NM | [santafewaldorf.org](http://santafewaldorf.org) | 505-467-6431



# TURQUOISE TRAIL CHARTER SCHOOL

[www.ttschool.org](http://www.ttschool.org)



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## Turquoise Trail Charter School Leadership

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**DR. RAY GRIFFIN**  
Dr. Ray Griffin is Head Administrator at Turquoise Trail Charter School, named the 2014 New Mexico Charter School of the Year at the New Mexico Coalition for Charter Schools' conference in October 2014. He has been a coach, a teacher and an administrator for 38 years. In NM he has been a teacher at Santa Fe Prep, the Headmaster at Desert Academy where he started the IB program, and now is in his 6th year at TTCS.

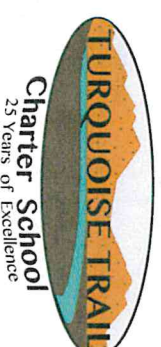
Ray earned his Ed.D in administration from the University of Washington in 1999 where he specialized in alternative models of public schools. He is the founder of Federal Way Public Academy, in Federal Way, Washington, a 19-year old award-winning, grades 6-10, "contract school".

**FLOYD J. TRUJILLO**  
Floyd J. Trujillo, a native Santa Fean, has served on the Turquoise Trail Charter School Governance Council for more than 15 years. He is currently the President of the Governance Council as well as President of the TTCS Foundation, the school's fund-raising organization which he co-founded in 2003. Floyd is committed to the charter school movement, and strongly believes that parent involvement in schools is necessary to ensure that our children receive the best education possible. Floyd is the Director of Information Technology for the New Mexico Finance Authority.



## Expanding our Excellence in Education

Turquoise Trail Charter School, founded in 1990 and first chartered in 1995 is the oldest and one of the highest performing charter schools in New Mexico. We serve a diverse group of pre-K-8 students from all backgrounds. We seek to prepare students academically and socially for lifelong success through our STEAM-focused curriculum and commitment to provide robust support to all students and families. We have three core principles: Robust Academics, Student-Centered Learning, and Strong Community Connections.



**OUR MISSION:**  
To transform K-8 education in Northern New Mexico by building high-achieving, student-centered schools that prepare students academically and socially for lifelong success.

**OUR OBJECTIVE:**  
We will build a network of K-8 schools that will define the standard of excellence for Title I designated schools in New Mexico. We ultimately will serve 1,500 students.

# OUR STUDENTS

Our students come to us from families diverse in their educational experiences & economic situations.

1/4  
are English  
Language Learners

13%  
receive Special Education  
Services

66%  
qualify for free and  
reduced lunch

Turquoise Trail has created an inclusive climate that provides a safe, nurturing, and welcoming environment for all students and family members.



## Making a Measurable Difference

Turquoise Trail Charter School is already making a measurable difference. Having served our community for nearly three decades, we have educated multiple generations of families, providing us with a firm understanding of the desires and needs of this community. Families from outside the local neighborhood are drawn to Turquoise Trail by our commitment to quality academics, the creative arts, and small class sizes. Our healthy wait list, particularly for Pre-K and Kindergarten attests to our appeal.

We are changing educational trends in Santa Fe. Most schools on the south side of Santa Fe are not performing well. Our students come to us from families diverse in their educational experiences & economic situations. Almost one-fourth are English Language Learners, 13% receive Special Education Services, and 66% qualify for free and reduced lunch. Turquoise Trail has created an inclusive climate that provides a safe, nurturing, and welcoming environment for all students and family members. This environment and continual improvement in academic measures have earned us at least a grade of B on the New Mexico Public Education Department School District Report Card. TTCs earned an A school grade in 2014, we were named the Charter school of the year in 2014 and the Governing Board of the Year in 2015 by the New Mexico Coalition of Charter Schools.

Great demand exists in Santa Fe and Northern New Mexico for successful middle school models. Current middle school options in our community are large, comprehensive K-8 schools that are overpopulated and failing to meet student

achievement goals. For many families, private schools are not financially feasible and existing charter schools have large waiting lists. We can better serve the developmental needs of students and help them achieve strong learning outcomes through the smaller, personalized school setting favored by our students, families, and staff.

**Because of this demand and our unprecedented success, Turquoise Trail Charter School is expanding.**

- It is fitting that the Boys and Girls Club, the oldest provider of after-school programs in Santa Fe County and the oldest charter school in New Mexico, are teaming up in support of the students and families in south Santa Fe. The Zona del Sol Boys and Girls Club will be the site for our Middle School beginning in August 2018.

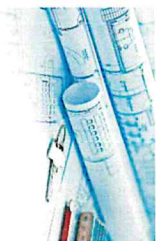


- The Turquoise Trail Charter Middle School will open with a 7th grade class of 60 students. We have hired 4 teachers and one educational assistant. Three have National Board Certification, all have Masters degrees, and their average teaching experience is 15 years.
- That school will ultimately serve 350 students.
- We will open a campus in 2019-20 for at least 180 students at the Zona del Sol campus for the current middle school. Ultimately, we will need a new building for this division.



- We also are considering expansion for a new elementary school at the Zona del Sol campus for the 2019-2020 school year that would serve 80 students – 60 K and 20 1st grade. Ultimately, we will need land and a new building for this startup.
- The demand for high quality early-childhood education is growing. We have begun to expand our early-childhood sections at our current facility. We are adding another classroom of Kindergarten beginning in 2018. In 2019, we will add another classroom of 1st Grade.
- We have established a unique partnership with Santa Fe Film Studios that will provide learning opportunities for students not found anywhere else in Santa Fe.

Classes in Digital Media Arts and seminars with industry professionals will create a breeding ground for innovative thinking across disciplines. Students will develop 21st-Century Skills as we prepare them to assume roles as both leaders and team members in their continued academic pursuits, career paths, and personal development. We aim to inspire students to be participatory citizens who contribute to a strong New Mexico workforce and culture, in which the film industry plays a significant role.



- We are beginning a \$5 million fundraising campaign for our state-of-the-art middle school at Santa Fe Studios. We plan to break ground in January 2019. The 40,000 square-foot facility will open for the 2021 school year.
- In August 2019, we will open a new elementary school on the south side of Santa Fe that will serve Pre-K-8th grades.

## Get Involved and Make a Lasting Difference For the Next Generation

- Turquoise Trail Charter School is developing a network of schools that serves 1,500 pre-K-8th grade students in high-need northern New Mexico communities. We will achieve full capacity in the 2026-2027 school year at our three K-8 schools.



- The Turquoise Trail Charter School Network will establish and maintain the highest-performing Title I schools in New Mexico.
- We are approaching growth thoughtfully, with a meticulous focus on school quality, investing in talent, and building support among our families and our community.
- We need financial resources to accomplish our goals and create more high-quality options for students in our region. Your contribution will dramatically impact positive and lasting change.





# JOURNEY MONTESSORI

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## Our Middle School

The Journey Middle School program is designed specifically for the adolescent learner age 11-14. Students explore concepts of constructing themselves while developing their social/emotional/cognitive intelligence and communication skills. They participate in inquiry-based learning projects that foster initiative and allow for voice and choice. Our students will move beyond the classroom walls to connect with nature and their community.

Through developmentally appropriate experiences, that tie together the core academic subjects with real-world experiences

and outdoor exploration, students have a truly unique and authentic middle school experience. At Journey, we are preparing students for not only the rigors of secondary education, but also to face the challenges of our planet, all within the context of where they are in adolescence.

Journey Middle School students will...

- ❖ read texts in a variety of formats
- ❖ research in local libraries, consult primary and secondary sources, interview experts and community members, and field test classroom work
- ❖ write for a variety of purposes
- ❖ present their learning, report findings, debate and discuss
- ❖ develop their mathematical mind and problem-solving skills through real-world application of pre-algebra and algebra concepts
- ❖ investigate local and national government and history
- ❖ participate in field study and active research in environmental and physical sciences
- ❖ learn Spanish through direct interaction with native speakers and community involvement
- ❖ be environmental stewards, practicing service to their community and the environment
- ❖ be outdoors, actively connecting to nature



**OPEN HOUSE**  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 4:00pm**  
 Middle School • 935 Alto Street • Santa Fe  
[JourneyMontessoriSchool.org](http://JourneyMontessoriSchool.org)  
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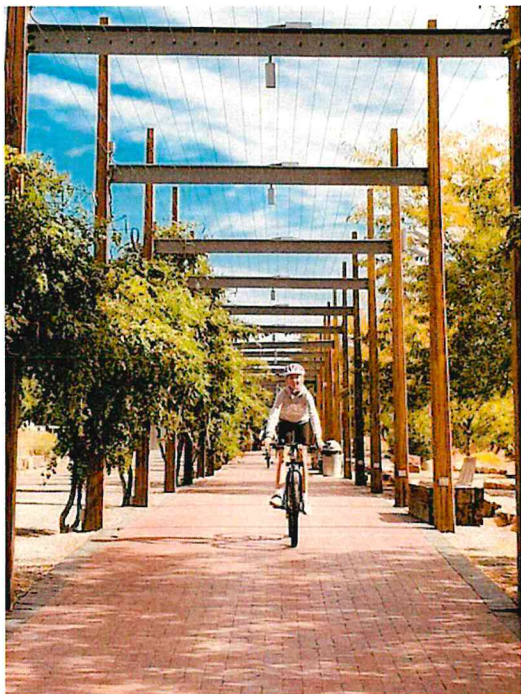


## Journey Montessori School

Journey Montessori School is a unique educational experience in Santa Fe for children ages 3 to 14 that combines an authentic Montessori classroom experience with extensive outdoor education. Our curriculum, based on the philosophy of Dr. Maria Montessori, combines collaborative, hands-on learning with student driven independent study. In addition to the regular classroom curriculum, students at Journey spend extensive time outdoors, exploring, experimenting and learning in nature.

### The Adolescent

Adolescence is a time of great change as children begin their metamorphosis into adulthood. Our Journey Middle School Program is carefully designed to meet the unique needs of these vulnerable, emerging adults. This program is perfect for motivated, active learners who enjoy getting out of the classroom and experiencing our world!





## Why Our Middle School?

### BRIGHT MINDS. KIND HEARTS. WHOLE CHILD.

Our Program is designed to nurture the Whole Child, addressing each student's social, emotional, intellectual, and physical development as they navigate the early adolescent years. Here's a glimpse into how we do it:

- **Expeditionary learning:** An exceptional educational approach that emphasizes high achievement through active learning, character growth, service, and collaboration. Through extended "learning expeditions" students delve deeply into academic topics, meet experts from the greater community, do field work outside the school, and apply their learning in real-life projects.
- **Sanctuary School:** We believe in respecting, accepting, and including all members of our community, and offer a safe haven to our students and families. Middle School students work to create a Class Constitution through in-depth discussions about the agreements they want to make with one another about how everyone is to be treated. As one 7<sup>th</sup> grader put it, "at my old school the *teachers* said 'no bullying', but here, *we* say 'no bullying'!"
- **Portfolio Presentations/Student-Led Conferences:** Throughout the school year students reflect on their learning and compile samples of work that they feel exemplify their growth in academics and the arts. At the end of the year, students present their portfolios to teachers and families. This process helps them to cultivate self-reflection and communication skills, and to develop a sense of accomplishment and pride in their work.
- **Electives:** As young adolescents, our Middle School students love having the opportunity to choose from a variety of electives each semester, empowering them to explore what most sparks their interests. Offerings include Fine Arts, Drama, Music, Student Government, Coding, Literary Magazine, Robotics, Creative Writing, Business, and more.
- **Service Learning:** Opportunities for meaningful community service allow students to serve the school and the larger community. Currently middle school students work with younger students as buddies and mentors, with elders at the Kingston Residence, do preservation and restoration work at the Santa Fe River, and volunteer with Food Depot and community farms.
- **Crew/Advisory:** During daily Crew time, students participate in interactive, community-building activities and discussions, which foster a culture of collaboration and compassion for self and others. Advisors provide support for monitoring academic progress and overall student growth.
- **Mentorship Program:** Based on their own passions and interests, 8th grade students are paired with community leaders and professionals. This program allows students to experience the value of mentorship and prepares them to seek and take advantage of mentorship opportunities in high school and beyond.
- **8th Grade International Trip:** We take the global perspective one big step further: our 8th grade travels to Costa Rica, where they participate in homestays, do service work in orphanages or the rainforest, and learn to appreciate a foreign culture and language.

Learn more at [www.santafeschool.org](http://www.santafeschool.org)

**Admissions Open House – Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> 6pm-8pm**

Contact us for an admissions packet and to sign up for a Shadow Day: Satara Bixby, Director of Admissions and Advancement 505-438-8585 or [admissions@santafeschool.org](mailto:admissions@santafeschool.org)

# Middle School Admissions Open House

Tuesday, October 15 6-8pm



Challenging academics through expeditionary learning curriculum

Integrated fine arts and sciences

Sanctuary and community

Local and international service learning opportunities

Inspired teaching and personalized instruction

Tuition-based program  
Financial Aid available

*A culture of respect creates a culture of achievement*

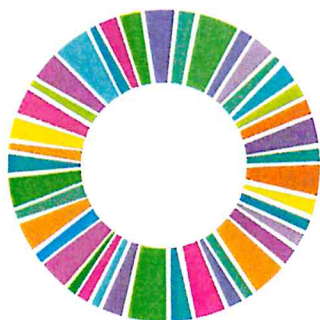


Join current students, accomplished alumni and experienced faculty to discover how our unique Middle School Program can prepare your child to excel in high school and beyond.

5912 Jaguar Drive, Santa Fe



**1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE!  
WINNER!**



SANTA FE SCHOOL FOR THE  
**ARTS & SCIENCES**

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# Santa Fe Girls' School

Grades 6-8

*Celebrating 20 years*



The Santa Fe Girls' School invites you to discover the advantages of a small, all-girls middle school designed for this critical period of development. We provide a culture where girls develop into self-advocating, confident, and academically prepared high school students.



## WHY

families choose the Santa Fe Girls' School for their daughters

*THE SANTA FE GIRLS' SCHOOL dedicates all of its resources to meeting the needs of adolescent girls. Our graduates carry themselves with confidence, integrity, and inner strength.*

### BECAUSE WE KEEP IT SMALL

Our small class size ensures that each student's abilities, weaknesses, challenges and accomplishments are recognized by her teachers.

Santa Fe Girls' School students gain self-esteem and confidence in a non-competitive environment.

Being a small school allows our teachers to develop deep relationships with every student, so they can help each student become the best version of herself.



310 West Zia Road • 505.820.3188  
[www.santafegirlsschool.org](http://www.santafegirlsschool.org)

# ADMISSIONS OPEN HOUSE

## October 22<sup>nd</sup> 6-8pm



### BECAUSE WE ARE A SUPPORTIVE, ALL-GIRLS ENVIRONMENT

The social camaraderie found in our small, all-girls school supports a culture of learning, enthusiasm, and curiosity.

Students engage in self-reflection to increase self-awareness and to develop their capacity for kindness and empathy.

Students practice conflict resolution skills and learn diplomacy; this builds an inclusive community where students learn to accept each other's differences.



### BECAUSE OUR STUDENTS ARE CONFIDENT COMMUNICATORS

Our graduates distinguish themselves with their poise and confident voices.

Public speaking is incorporated into daily life through academic discussions, performances and presentations, leadership opportunities, and political activism.

Our students learn how to ask questions, how to ask for help, and how to self-advocate.

### BECAUSE WE FOSTER INDEPENDENCE

Students learn through natural and logical consequences to become self-reliant and responsible for their own materials, actions, and words.

Teachers support the development of executive skills including: organization, time management, and impulse control.

Teachers encourage independent thinking by challenging students to think critically beyond easy answers and common assumptions.



### BECAUSE OUR GRADUATES ARE PREPARED FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND BEYOND

Girls develop a love of school and learning, which they bring with them wherever they chose to go.

Our students are recruited by local high schools and have their choice of which to attend.

Our graduates are able to easily navigate the complex world of high school and college.

*The Santa Fe Girls' School is making a difference—I see it in both my daughters as well as in the other girls who attend the school—and that trickles out to the community as a whole. So happy my family is a part of this school! —PARENT*

***Dedicated to Middle School Girls***





# SANTA FE PREP

Opening a World of Possibilities

**Santa Fe Preparatory School**  
1101 Camino de la Cruz Blanca  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**Serving Grades 7–12**

**Mary Little**, Director of Admissions  
Direct: 505.795.7518 or [mlittle@sfbprep.org](mailto:mlittle@sfbprep.org)

**Summar Aubrey**, Associate Director of Admissions  
Direct: 505.795.7512 or [saubrey@sfbprep.org](mailto:saubrey@sfbprep.org)

**Important Admissions Dates:**

**Tuesday, October 1, 2019**

Online Application and forms available at [www.sfbprep.org](http://www.sfbprep.org)  
Admission Season Opens – visits and interviews begin. *We schedule student visits on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays. We are also available for optional parent meetings; please call to schedule.*

**Friday, October 18, 2019**

**Admissions Open House** – SF Prep Campus (2:00-5:00 pm)

**Saturday, January 25, 2020**

Math Assessment Test (11 am to noon)

**Saturday, February 8, 2020**

*Coffee and Q&A for parents during testing*

**Thursday, January 30, 2020**

Math Assessment Test (4:30–5:30 pm)

**Thursday, February 20, 2020**

*Coffee and Q&A for parents during testing*

**Friday, February 21, 2020**

Admission and Tuition Assistance application deadlines

**Friday, March 6, 2020**

Admission and Tuition Assistance notifications mailed

*Applications received after the deadline will be considered if space is available.*

**Statement of Purpose:**

Santa Fe Prep is an ambitious and diverse learning community dedicated to active discourse. We value our place in the community of Santa Fe, which enriches and defines us. We cultivate qualities of character, scholarship, and citizenship in our students that inspire them to act responsibly and compassionately at home, at school, and in the world.

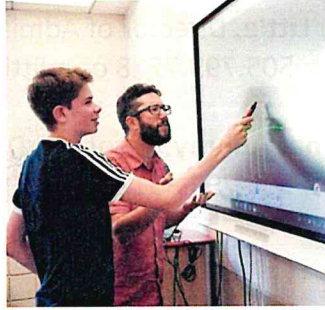
Through the many dialogues that unfold on campus each day, our students exercise their minds in active inquiry. The discourse of Santa Fe Prep promotes the joy of discovery, the power of critical thinking and reflection, and the thrill of creativity. Our commitment to collaborative learning fosters an inclusive school environment grounded in trust, where students honor and respect each other and themselves.

The world is full of possibility. Empowered with the values and qualities inherent in our School, our students can embrace lives of thoughtful purpose.



**SANTA FE PREP**

Opening a World of Possibilities



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More than 20 schools feed into Santa Fe Prep's middle and upper school, and over \$1,500,000 in aid is awarded annually to 37% of Prep's families, with an average grant of \$13,316. Prep's commitment to tuition assistance has made the school significantly more diverse and culturally layered than it was just a few years ago. Outstanding academics amid a supportive and diverse learning environment has prepared Prep's recent graduates for successful futures at schools including **Brown, Barnard, Bryn Mawr, Caltech, Colorado College, Northwestern, NYU, Claremont McKenna, Middlebury, Oberlin, Pitzer, Stanford, Tulane, UCLA, UNM, UChicago, USC, and Williams among others.**

68% of the Class of 2019 was awarded merit or need-based scholarships for college. \$28,964 was the average grant awarded per student/per year at the school each chose to attend. The Class of 2019 included 3 LANL Foundation Scholars and 3 Davis New Mexico Scholars.

#### **Core Curriculum:**

Santa Fe Prep offers a college preparatory middle and high school education. We are dedicated to discussion-based learning, community service, and experiential education. Students are taught to be independent thinkers with well-honed intellectual skills, committed to excellence, and creativity. We teach the whole child.

#### **Special Programs:**

The Teen Action Program (TAP) exposes students to a wide range of community service opportunities, culminating in a self-guided year-long project. Prep's award-winning theater department produces one play and two musicals per year, in which students are not only actors, but also set designers and lighting technicians. Students can participate in fine arts classes from ceramics to life-drawing to photography. Extra-curricular activities such as Model UN, Speech and Debate, Student Council, and student publications are an integral part of a Prep education. Prep also has several middle school sports and 20 JV and Varsity sports in the Upper School.

*"What I appreciate most about Prep is that teachers know when to guide students and when to let them navigate independently. That balance has been crucial to my academic, athletic, and social growth—helping me develop skills that I predict will last a lifetime. Thanks to Prep, I've learned—and am still learning—how to collaborate, advocate, and learn from my mistakes with a laugh and a deliberate determination to try again."* Sydney Pope '18, current sophomore at Williams College



ST. MICHAEL'S  
HIGH SCHOOL

# Teaching Minds Touching Hearts

*The St. Michael's Difference*

## Important Admissions Dates and Deadlines

**October 14:** New Student Application Opens

**January 6:** Priority Application Deadline for New Students

**January 11:** Placement Testing & Interviews

**February 7:** Financial Aid Application Deadline

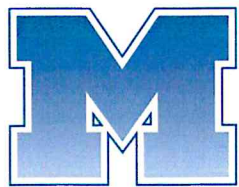


## Shadow Days Visit Program

The St. Michael's Shadow Days Visit Program is an opportunity to have an authentic St. Michael's experience. After students are taken to their first class, parents are given a brief presentation by administrators and given an opportunity to ask questions. Please visit the school's website to learn more and to register.

### Admissions Questions?

Susan Patten, VP of Admissions  
505.983.7353 or [spatten@smhs.me](mailto:spatten@smhs.me)



ST. MICHAEL'S  
HIGH SCHOOL

# Teaching Minds Touching Hearts

## *The St. Michael's Difference*

St. Michael's rich academic environment opens the minds of our students to new paths of learning. Our Lasallian approach to education and our five core values—quality education, concern for the poor and social justice, respect for all persons, faith in the presence of God, and inclusive community—help students develop self-discipline and gain confidence so that they enter college well prepared. At St. Michael's, students are given many opportunities to explore academic and extracurricular interests and discover talents they never knew they had.

### ST. MICHAEL'S AT A GLANCE

- **College preparatory school** with unmistakable academic excellence.
- A **13:1 student to teacher ratio** allowing for individualized instruction and personalized attention.
- **Largest private school in Santa Fe** with 450 students, serving grades 7–12.
- **Most affordable** private school in Santa Fe, offering generous financial aid.
- **Diverse student body** as students come from 32 different elementary schools and every part of town; their parents are employed in every sector; and they come from many different faith and ethnic backgrounds.
- **Recent graduating classes** have been offered, on average, \$3 million in college scholarships per class. They are attending many different colleges and universities, including University of Notre Dame, University of Wisconsin, DePaul University, Princeton, Claremont McKenna, Pratt Institute, New York University, Cal Poly, Duke, Harvey Mudd, US Military Academy at West Point, University of Georgia, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Gonzaga, University of Michigan, and Brown University, to name a few.
- **Our students test above** the State and national averages on the ACT, and our AP pass rate is above the State and national averages.
- **All students participate** in class-level retreats as well as multiple service-oriented projects every year, such as food and coat drives, tutoring in elementary schools, volunteering in homeless shelters, cancer walks, and so much more.
- **Many co-curricular activities** such as Band, Painting, Drawing, Guitar, Marimba, Orchestra, Digital Video, Theater Arts, Ceramics, Mixed Media, Web Design, and a state-championship Choir that has sung in Carnegie Hall, for the Archbishop, at the Naturalization Ceremony, and at an Isotopes game. Thirty-seven athletic teams with 88 state championships, and multiple organizations and clubs such as Astronomy Club, Outdoor Adventure Club, Ski Club, Chess, Social Justice, Speech and Debate, and many more.

