## 67 AL Counties Represented by Alumni

## 100\% <br> College Acceptance

## 16:1

Student:Teacher Ratio

## STEM CERTIFIED through Cognia

## 100\% of faculty have Ph.D. or Master's degree

## $200+$

courses taught at honors level or university equivalent

## OUR MISSION

The Alabama School of Mathematics and Science offers students educational opportunities they will not find anywhere else in the state of Alabama. ASMS is set apart by its academic rigor, residential learning environment, leadership opportunities, and research focus for students.

## ABOUT ASMS

The Alabama School of Mathematics and Science is the state of Alabama's only fully residential public high school for highly motivated sophomores, juniors, and seniors seeking advanced studies in math, science, and the humanities. The Alabama State Legislature founded ASMS in 1989 to better prepare Alabama's future leaders for STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) careers. ASMS's mandate encourages it to offer a challenging academic environment for students from all around Alabama and especially to those from underserved counties.

## ADMISSIONS

Rising 10th and 11th graders from across Alabama apply to attend ASMS. The Admissions Committee receives nearly 600 applications per year and selects approximately the top $17 \%$ of applicants. The committee considers ACT score, GPA, extracurricular activities, motivation, maturity, and campus diversity in choosing the best students from the state's 67 counties.

## Curriculum

ASMS operates on an accelerated system of three academic terms per year. Students benefit from a challenging curriculum that includes AP courses, honors courses, electives modeled on university seminars, and individualized independent study courses. Access to AP courses and upper-level electives requires department or instructor approval. All students are required to enroll in at least five academic courses per term, but many choose to take on additional research hours and electives in their areas of interest.

Students must complete a minimum of 26.5 Carnegie Units in coursework. Those who surpass the curriculum requirement in a subject area by 1.5 CU may graduate with a "Concentration" in the subject, while those who exceed the requirement by 3.0 CU may earn a "Concentration with Distinction" designation. All concentration coursework must meet subject-area GPA requirements set by the department.

## Required Academic Coursework

Biology
1.5 CU

Chemistry 1.5 CU

Computer Science 0.5 CU

English 4.0 CU

Fine Arts
General Electives
History
Mathematics
0.5-1.0 CU
1.25-1.50 CU
4.0 CU
4.0 CU

Physical Education and Health
Physics
World Languages
Additional Elective Credits

Student Body Demographics

| RACE / ETHNICITY | STUDENTS | PERCENT |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Black or African American | 44 | $17 \%$ |
| Caucasian | 140 | $54 \%$ |
| Hispanic | 12 | $5 \%$ |
| Asian | 38 | $14 \%$ |
| Arab American | 6 | $2 \%$ |
| Biracial or Multiracial | 9 | $4 \%$ |
| Native American or Alaskan 1 | $1 \%$ |  |
| Other | 0 | $0 \%$ |
| Prefer not to answer | 8 | $3 \%$ |
| Total | 258 | $100 \%$ |
| YEAR IN SCHOOL | TOTAL STUDENTS |  |
| Seniors | 79 |  |
| Juniors |  | 95 |
| Sophomores | 84 |  |
| Total |  | 258 |
| ALABAMA COUNTIES REPRESENTED: | 43 |  |

All ASMS instructors hold advanced degrees in their subject areas and most have experience teaching at postsecondary institutions. All courses are taught at the Honors level or above. Most academic courses are modeled on university equivalents and are taught using college textbooks. Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA. Thanks to ASMS's challenging academics and collegelike residential environment, our graduates begin their college experience uniquely prepared to succeed.

## Grading

ASMS reports unweighted cumulative GPA, which includes transfer credits from prior schools, and weighted ASMS GPA, which does not include transfer credits. ASMS does not rank students.

## Research Fellows

ASMS students are eligible to apply and be selected for the Research Fellows program. Working with the ASMS Research Coordinator and a faculty mentor, participants choose a research topic and then compile a bibliography, conduct research, prepare a paper, deliver a presentation, and defend their work. Finally, students present their projects at the ASMS Spring Research Forum. ASMS also encourages students to submit their work to professional conferences and publications when possible.

## Special Projects

Between the Winter and Spring Terms, ASMS students participate in a five-day academic event known as Special Projects Week. Each student enrolls in a single intensive course that meets for six hours per day. These specialized courses are designed around the research interests of ASMS faculty, and they introduce students to the exciting challenge of academic and professional labor.

## Student Life and Leadership

Students at ASMS hold leadership positions that empower them to improve their learning and residential environments. Student Government manages a total annual budget of $\$ 39,500$, which it uses to host events, invite guest speakers, and install amenities. Student Ambassadors escort visitors on campus and serve as hosts during official functions. Peer Advisors acclimate new students to dorm life, plan hall activities, and supervise cleaning responsibilities. Students invent and perpetuate memorable campus traditions from the Geekfest convention to Goofy Olympics.

## Class of 2023 Statistics

## GRADUATES

67 Students
100\% College Bound
STANDARDIZED TEST PERFORMANCE

ACT Average Composite Score: 30
SAT Mean Evidence-Based Reading \& Writing: 667
SAT Mean Mathematics: 698
SAT Mean Total Score:1380

## NATIONAL MERIT

4 National Merit Finalists
7 Commended and Recognized Students

## GPA

$4.0-3.75=33$ students
$3.74-3.5=21$ students
$3.49-3.0=11$ students
2.99-2.5 = 2 students

## AP Data for 2023 Test Takers

Total AP Students: 119
Number of Exams: 226
Average AP Exam Score: 3.5
\% of Exams with Scores 3+: 84\%

## Academic Course Offerings

BIOLOGY
Honors Biology
AP Biology
Anatomy and Physiology
AP Environmental Science
Zoology
Classical Genetics
Marine Biology
Biological Systems
Microbial Ecology
Oceanography
Paleontology
Veterinary Medicine
History of Microbiology
Evolution and Biodiversity
Molecular Biology
Biology Research

## CHEMISTRY

Introductory Chemistry
General Chemistry
Organic Chemistry
AP Chemistry
Intro to Organic Chemistry Biochemistry
Inorganic Chemistry
Environmental Chemistry
Chemistry Research

COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCE
Computer Science: Principles
AP Computer Science
Database Design \& SQL
Data Science w/ Python
Webpage Development
App Development
Advanced C\#
Advanced Java
Advanced Web Development Computer Ethics
Computer Security Fundamentals Cybersecurity
Fundamentals of Programming
Microcomputer Applications
Computer Research

## ENGLISH

AP English Language Sophomore English
American Literature I \& ||
Dystopian Novel
AP English Literature
British Literature I \& II
African-American Literature Speech Communication Journalism, Media Literacy,
\& Mass Communication Creative Writing Shakespeare on Stage Adv Speech Communications Out of the Canon Victorian Women's Studies Writing about Film Gothic Studies Survey of World Drama
English Research

FINE ARTS
AP Studio Art
Graphic Design
Survey of the Arts: Music
Survey of the Arts: Visual Arts
Intro Music Theory
Advanced Music Theory I, II, III
Broadway Blues \& Jazz
Theater Arts/Production
Advanced Art I, II, III
Sight Singing \& Ear Training
Walt Disney's America

## GENERAL ELECTIVES

ASMS Research Fellows Debate
Qualitative Research Methods Mythology
Intro to Psychology

## HISTORY

Adv American Studies I \& || Economics
Adv American Government
American Minority Relations
Rock-n-Roll
Revolutions
World War I \& II
AP US History
Post-1945 US History
Civil War
America in the 1950s
Heroes \& History
Ethics \& Govt Policy
Comparative Religions
Human Geography
Human Geography II AP Human Geography Terrorism \& Violence The New South
The Romantic Era
Western Thought II
Women of the Renaissance
America and the World
History Research
Urbanism

## MATHEMATICS

Geometry
Intermediate Algebra
Accelerated Algebra
Trigonometry
Precalculus
AP Calculus Review
AP Statistics Review
Differential Calculus
Integral Calculus
BC Calculus
Introduction to Statistics
Visual Mathematics Financial Mathematics
Number Theory
Multivariable Calculus I \& II
Differential Equations
Linear Algebra
Problem Solving
Topology
Advanced Geometry
Complex Analysis

Finite Math
Geometric Design
Intro Real Analysis I \& II
Intro to Game Theory
Discrete Math
Counting \& Probability | \& ||
Math Research

## PHYSICS

Intro to Physics
Flight Studies
Honors Physics
AP Physics 1 \& 2
Robotics
AP Physics C
Intro to Astronomy
Intro to Materials Science
Intro to Medical Physics
Mechanical Engineering
Quantum \& Relativity
Principles of Biophysics
Lasers and Holography
Computational Materials Science
Physics Research

## WORLD LANGUAGES

Beginning French
Intermediate French
Advanced French
French IV \& V
Readings in French
Beginning German
Intermediate German
Advanced German
German IV \& V
German for Engineers
Readings in German
Beginning Spanish
Intermediate Spanish
Spanish IV
Advanced Spanish Reading
Program Abroad: Germany \& Spain

## Five-Year Matriculation

Alabama A \& M University Alabama State University Amherst College
Auburn University
Berklee College of Music
Binghamton University
Boston College
California Institute of Technology
Coastal Alabama
Colorado School of Mines
Columbia University
Dillard University
Duke University
Florida Southern College
Fordham University
Furman University
George Washington University
Georgia Institute of Technology Harvard University
Harvey Mudd College
Hendrix College
Howard University
Huntingdon College
Jacksonville State University

James Madison University
Johns Hopkins University
Lake Erie College
Lehigh University
Louisiana State University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Mississippi College
Mississippi State University
Mississippi Valley State University
Northwestern University
Oberlin College
Oglethorpe University
Oxford College of Emory University
Parsons School of Design
Pepperdine University
Princeton University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhodes College
Rice University
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Salem College
SUNY at Purchase College
Santa Fe Community College
Sarah Lawrence College
Southern Union Community College
Southern University and A \& M College
Stanford University
Tougaloo College
Trenholm State Community College
Troy State University
Tulane University
Tuskegee University
United States Air Force Academy
United States Coast Guard Academy
United States Naval Academy
University of Alabama
University of Alabama - Birmingham
University of Alabama - Huntsville
University of California - Davis
University of California - Los Angeles
University of Central Florida
University of Dundee
University of Florida
University of Maine
University of Miami
University of Michigan University of Mississippi
University of Montevallo
University of North Alabama
University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
University of Rochester University of South Alabama
University of South Florida
University of Southern California
University of Southern Mississippi
University of Tennessee - Knoxville
University of Texas - Austin
University of West Alabama
University of Van Amsterdam
University of West Florida
Trenholm State Community College
Vanderbilt University
Vassar College
Washington University - St. Louis
Western Carolina University
Wellesley College
William Carey University
Williams College
Yale University


