

## 2011-2012 School Calendar

Classes meet Monday – Thursday each week unless noted below. Fridays are reserved for independent study, and review.

### FIRST SEMESTER

<b>August</b>	<b>15/ 16</b>	<b>FACULTY ONLY; PRE-PLANNING</b>
	<b>17</b>	<b>STUDENT ASSEMBLY &amp; REGISTRATION 8:45 AM; 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF CLASS</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>LABOR DAY HOLIDAY; NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>29</b>	<b>6 WEEK INTERIM REPORTS</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12 WEEK INTERIM REPORTS</b>
	<b>22</b>	<b>THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY BEGINS</b>
	<b>23-- 28</b>	<b>THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY; NO CLASSES</b>
	<b>21</b>	<b>CLASSES RESUME</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>WINTER HOLIDAY BEGINS END OF DAY</b>
<b>January</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>CLASSES RESUME</b>
	<b>11/ 12</b>	<b>EXAMS</b>
	<b>16</b>	<b>MLK DAY / No Class</b>

### SECOND SEMESTER BEGINS JANUARY 17

<b>January</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Second Semester</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>President's Day NO Class</b>
	<b>23</b>	<b>6 week interim reports</b>
<b>March/April</b>	<b>30 - 8</b>	<b>SPRING BREAK; NO CLASSES</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>CLASSES RESUME</b>
	<b>12</b>	<b>12 WEEK INTERIM REPORTS</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>22/ 23</b>	<b>EXAMS</b>
	<b>24</b>	<b>HONORS AND COMMENCEMENT</b>

### BELL SCHEDULE

<b>8:45 – 10:45</b>	<b>Class 1</b>
<b>11:00-12:00</b>	<b>Class 2 Session A</b>
<b>12:00 – 12:30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>12:30 – 1:30</b>	<b>Class 2 Session B</b>
<b>1:45 – 3:45</b>	<b>Class 3 Session A</b>

## College Acceptances

Students and their parents work closely with the administration to investigate and select those colleges most appropriate for the individual needs of the students. During the past several years, graduates have been accepted to the following colleges and universities among others.

Agnes Scott College	Oglethorpe University
Arizona State University	Oxford of Emory
Art Institute of Chicago	Piedmont College
Atlanta Art Institute	Presbyterian College
Auburn University	SCAD
Belmont Abby College	Seton Hall University
Berkley College of Music	Shorter College
Berry College	Smith College
Brevard College	West Georgia
Clark Atlanta University	Stetson University
Cleveland Institute of Music	Texas A & M University
Clemson University	Troy State University
Coastal Carolina	University of Alabama
College of Charleston	University of Arizona
Columbia University	University of Colorado
Eckerd College	University of Denver
Elon College	University of Georgia
Emory University	University of Hartford
Florida State University	University of Hawaii
George Mason	University of Maryland
Ga State University	University of MA
Georgia Tech	University of Miami
Georgia Southern University	University of Mississippi
Guilford College	UNC @ Asheville
Hampden-Sydney	UNC @ Charlotte
Hawaii Pacific University	UNC @ Greensboro
Hofstra University	UNC @ Wilmington
Indiana University	USC
Jacksonville State University	University of Rhode Island
Johnson and Wales University	University of South Carolina
Kennesaw State University	University of South Carolina-Spartanburg
Lees-McRae College	University of Tampa
Loyola University -LA	University of Tennessee
Maine College of Art	University of W-Florida
Mars Hill College	University of Wisconsin
Montreat College	University of Wyoming
New York University	Virginia Tech
NC State	Warren Wilson College



ATLANTA COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

*Celebrating 35 years of  
Excellence in Education.  
1977 - 2012*

# 2011-2012 ADMISSIONS & PROGRAM INFORMATION

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*Atlanta Country Day School maintains a nondiscriminatory policy of admissions in regard to race, creed, sex, color, religion, national, and ethnic origin.*

## **Founding**

The *Atlanta Country Day School's* origins date back to 1977 when ***Riverside Learning Lab***, Atlanta's premier supplemental educational service, was established. In 1986 ***The Academy High School at Riverside Learning Lab***, a college preparatory day academy, became part of its program. In July 1996, the day school, now known as Atlanta Country Day School, expanded and moved to a suburban campus. After relocating to Alpharetta in August 2001, the school returned to the Dunwoody/Sandy Springs area in August 2003 and implemented a modified, four day per week schedule designed to maximize instructional time.

## **Philosophy**

Atlanta Country Day School, an independent, nonsectarian, coeducational, college preparatory school for students in grades 7 – 12 is designed for:

- college bound students of average to above average abilities
- creative students who do well in a supportive environment that celebrates their talents
- students who will best learn in small group classes incorporating multi-sensory instruction
- students who will benefit from the school's ability to individualize instruction.

## **Academic Program**

The academic program emphasizes:

- Mastery of subject matter and creative thought
- A unique, four day per week schedule fosters student needs and interests, The schedule has all the benefits of a block schedule and none of the drawbacks since students still take all of their classes throughout the entire school year.
- An atmosphere of individual acceptance and respect that celebrates each student's unique gifts and abilities
- Instruction in and utilization of effective study skills
- Preparation for college and beyond
- Self-respect, self-discipline, and regard for others
- High academic and behavioral expectations that recognize each student as a person.
- Physical development through curricular and extracurricular activities, including athletic teams and service organizations
- Administrators, parents, faculty, and students working together to foster effective communication and school unity

## **Faculty**

Atlanta Country Day School maintains a 6:1 or smaller student-teacher ratio. The faculty consists of experienced educators who possess either

bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degrees in their subject areas. Selected for their knowledge of subject matter, their desire to teach and motivate students, and their willingness to advise and develop co-curricular activities, the faculty serves as positive academic and personal role models.

## **Accreditation and Membership**

Atlanta Country Day School is:

- Accredited by the Georgia Accrediting Commission
- Accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- Member of many professional associations.

## **Why Atlanta Country Day School?**

- Small group classes give students a chance to succeed
- Student centered learning focus on student strengths and creativity.
- Individualized classes support student needs
- Experience with students whose true academic potential may or may not be realized in traditional classroom environments
- Modified, four day per week schedule that maximizes instructional time and provides all of the benefits of a block schedule with none of the drawbacks
- Sensitivity to tuition costs
- Absence of uniforms allows students to be themselves
- Environment that mimics a workplace and allows teachers and students to work together to achieve goals.
- Desire to understand and work with the student as individuals
- Academic placement and support
- Personal attention from faculty and administrators
- Student expectations that recognize student individuality

***Atlanta Country Day School has a zero tolerance for student use or possession of illegal drugs or alcohol on campus. Atlanta Country Day school reserves the right to search the person, possessions, vehicles or lockers of students or visitors without prior knowledge. Failure to submit to such a search may result in expulsion without credit. The campus is a non-smoking environment as well.***

## **Riverside Learning Lab**

Atlanta Country Day School offers individualized tutoring in all subjects as well as SAT preparation through our Riverside Learning Lab. Our tutoring services are available after school, evenings and

weekends. We also offer extended day and weekend classes for credit. To schedule tutoring sessions call 770-998-0311.

## **Summer School**

Atlanta Country Day School offers a summer program for students who need to earn additional credits required for graduation. Summer school applicants must meet admissions policies. Applicants from other schools are expected to meet in advance with their school's counselor to have courses approved. Summer school includes both morning and afternoon sessions. Classes meet Monday through Thursday.

## **Driver's Education**

Driver's Education and ADAP classes are now available and meet all of the "Joshua's Law" requirements.

## **Extended Day**

Atlanta Country Day School offers an afternoon and/or evening program of course work for credit in all high school level, college preparatory, core-curriculum subjects during the school year.

## **Home & Distance Learning**

Atlanta Country Day School offers curriculum and certification of home school and distance learning credits as well as validation of credit from non-accredited programs.

## **Customized Programs**

Atlanta Country Day School offers customized, traveling programs for artists, athletes, and others whose special talents and goals prevent them from enrolling in a traditional day school program.

## **How to Apply**

**Application/Interview:** To apply call the school and request an application and an appointment for an interview. Both the parent and the student should plan to discuss the applicant's needs and the programs offered. Ideally, the application should be completed and brought to the interview.

**Deadline:** Because of our ability to individualize and our small group classes, we accept applications throughout the year.

**Transcripts:** It is important that an official or unofficial transcript be received in advance or be brought to the interview for credit analysis.

**Admissions:** Admissions are on a non-competitive basis. While students may take the SSAT (ACDS code is 1375), it is not required. Admissions decisions are based on a variety of criteria. There is no application fee.

**For more information, contact the school at 770-998-0311.**