

Pennsylvania State University	2	University of California-Berkeley	1	University of South Alabama	1, 1
Pepperdine University	1	University of California-Los Angeles	1	University of South Carolina	1
Pomona College	1, 1	University of California-San Diego	1	University of South Florida	1
Princeton University	1	University of California-Santa Cruz	2, 1	University of Southern California	3, 1
Providence College	2	University of Central Florida	1	University of St. Thomas	7, 2
Purdue University	22, 2	University of Chicago, The	2	University of Tampa, The	6, 5
Reed College	4, 1	University of Cincinnati	4	University of Tennessee, Knoxville	2
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	2, 1	University of Colorado at Boulder	22, 2	University of the Pacific	1
Rhodes College	2, 2	University of Colorado at Denver	1	University of Vermont	6, 1
Rice University	2	University of Connecticut	1	University of Virginia	3
Ringling College of Art and Design	1	University of Dayton	3	University of Washington	3, 1
Ripon College	4	University of Denver	8, 3	University of West Florida	1
Riverland Community College	2, 2	University of Dubuque	1	University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire	9, 3
Robert Morris University, Chicago	1	University of Florida	1	University of Wisconsin-Green Bay	8
Rochester Institute of Technology	1	University of Illinois at Chicago	1	University of Wisconsin-La Crosse	20, 5
Rockford University	1	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	16, 2	University of Wisconsin-Madison	92, 36
Rockhurst University	1, 1	University of Iowa, The	33, 5	University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	52, 23
Rollins College	3	University of Kansas	4, 1	University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh	15, 6
Roosevelt University	1, 1	University of Kentucky	1, 1	University of Wisconsin-Parkside	12, 4
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	3, 1	University of Louisville	3	University of Wisconsin-Platteville	12, 4
Saint Louis University	20, 3	University of Louisville	3	University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point	10, 2
Saint Mary's University of Minnesota	1, 1	University of Miami	3, 1	University of Wisconsin-Stout	6, 2
Santa Clara University	2	University of Michigan	3	University of Wisconsin-Whitewater	27, 8
Santa Fe University of Art and Design	1, 1	University of Minnesota	1	University of Wyoming	1
Santa Monica College	1, 1	University of Minnesota, Morris	1	Ursinus College	1
Savannah College of Art and Design	4, 2	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	60, 19	Valparaiso University	3
School of the Art Institute of Chicago	3, 1	University of Mississippi	1, 1	Vanderbilt University	2
Seattle Pacific University	1	University of Missouri (Columbia)	7, 1	Vassar College	3, 1
Seattle University	1	University of Missouri-Kansas City	3	Virginia Interment College	1, 1
Skidmore College	1	University of Montana, Missoula, The	1	Viterbo University	2
Smith College	1, 1	University of New England	1	Wake Forest University	1
Southern Methodist University	3, 2	University of New Hampshire	2	Wartburg College	2
St. Cloud State University	2, 1	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, The	1	Washington State University	1
St. Edward's University	1, 1	University of North Carolina at Greensboro	1	Washington University in St. Louis	5, 3
St. Norbert College	13, 3	University of Northwestern	1	Wayne State University	1
St. Olaf College	12, 5	University of Notre Dame	4, 4	Webster University	1
Syracuse University	3, 1	University of Oklahoma	2, 2	Wellesley College	2, 2
Taylor University	1	University of Ontario Institute of Technology	1, 1	Western Michigan University	4
Texas A & M University	4, 1	University of Oregon	3	Wheaton College (Illinois)	3, 1
Texas Christian University	1, 1	University of Pennsylvania	1, 1	Wheaton College (Massachusetts)	1
Truman State University	1	University of Pittsburgh	3	Wichita State University	1
Tufts University	1, 1	University of Prince Edward Island	1	Winona State University	8, 2
Tulane University	3, 1	University of Puget Sound	7, 1	Wisconsin Lutheran College	1
Union College	3, 3	University of Richmond	2, 1	Worcester Polytechnic Institute	1
Union University	2	University of Rochester	3	Wright State University-Lake Campus	1
United States Air Force Academy	1, 1	University of San Diego	1	Xavier University	2, 1
University of Alabama-Tuscaloosa	2	University of San Francisco	2, 1		
University of Arizona, The	2				
University of British Columbia	1				



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# Upper School Overview

## Benefits of an Independent School Education

Research conducted by the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) shows that families choose independent schools primarily because they perceive the quality of teaching, character education and benefits provided to be exceptional.

### General Benefits

As college freshmen, graduates of schools like Prairie are more likely to feel they are at least above average or even in the top 10% of their age group in terms of:

- Social self-confidence
- Public speaking ability
- Physical health
- Understanding others

### Academic and Intellectual Benefits

Compared to their public school-educated peers, college students with educational backgrounds such as Prairie's are more likely to:

- Adjust to academic demands comfortably
- Perform better academically
- Enjoy greater creativity
- Ask questions and actively participate in class
- Explore topics on their own initiative

### Social and Emotional Benefits

As college freshmen, graduates of schools like Prairie are more likely to feel they are at least above average or even in the top 10% of their age group in terms of:

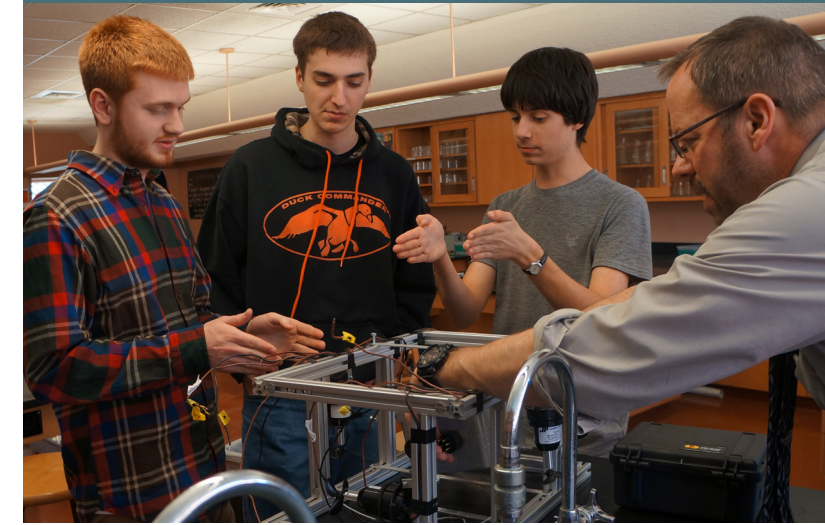
- Self-understanding
- Interaction with teaching faculty
- Emotional health
- Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people\*

\* NAIS Graduates: Ready and Able to Adjust and Excel at Academic Life, NAIS.com, <http://www.nais.org/research/article.cfm?ItemNumber=154015>

## Prairie Students Experience These Benefits Firsthand

The Prairie School is a nationally recognized model of excellence in education. One of the reasons for such recognition is that Prairie alumni consistently go on to the finest colleges and universities in the U.S. and around the globe. Our students are characterized by a deep love of learning, of leading and for making a positive difference in the world.

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**English**

English 9, 10, 11, 12  
 Film Workshop  
 Mind-Twisting Literature  
 Writing the Planet  
 Writing Workshop  
 Public Speaking  
 AP English 12 (Literature)

**Fine and Performing Arts**

AP Music Theory

**Mathematics**

Algebra 1 & 2  
 Intermediate Algebra  
 Geometry  
 Precalculus A  
 Precalculus AB  
 Probability & Statistics  
 AP Calculus AB  
 AP Statistics

**Science**

Biology  
 Honors Chemistry  
 Chemistry  
 Honors Physics  
 Physics  
 Anatomy & Physiology  
 Robotics  
 AP Biology  
 AP Chemistry  
 AP Environmental Science

**Social Studies**

World History 9 & 10  
 U.S. History  
 American Experience  
 Comparative Religions  
 Economics  
 Introduction to Psychology  
 Government and Politics  
 International Conflict Resolution  
 AP U.S. History  
 AP World History

**World Language**

Chinese 1, 2, 3, 4, 5  
 French 1, 2, 3, 4, 5  
 Spanish 1, 2, 3, 4, 5  
 AP French 5 (Language)  
 AP Spanish 5 (Language)

**Graduation Requirements**

*Our graduation requirements reflect our belief in the importance of nurturing and empowering well-rounded students for their college experience and lifelong leadership.*

- 4 years of English & Public Speaking
- 3 years of Social Studies
- 3 years of Mathematics
- 3 years of Science
- 3 years of World Language
- 1-2 years of Fine and Performing Arts (varies according to course selection)
- 2 years of Physical Education
- Junior Thesis: Long-term research paper on historical or literary topic
- Senior Capstone Project: Long-term investigative project, including research paper and presentations to student and adult audiences
- Junior and Senior Interim: Two-week internships for career exploration and school-sponsored trips to other countries or national parks
- One major co-curricular commitment each year (75 hrs)
  - Performing Arts: Orchestra, jazz ensemble, chorus, audition chorus, theatre, technical theatre
  - Interscholastic Athletic Teams: seven for girls and seven for boys
  - Non-athletic Teams: Model OAS, Model UN, Science Olympiad, Robotics, Geography Bowl
  - Publications: Yearbook and fine arts magazine

- Clubs: Service, Spanish, French, Chinese, wilderness & sustainability, debate, knitting, and others
- Activity independent of school
- Community service to school or community each year (minimum 25 hrs)
- Outdoor Leadership Education: Annual four-day experience in Wisconsin's Northwoods to build collaboration, problem-solving, and leadership skills
- Buddy Program: 1:1 partnerships of Upper, Middle, and Primary School students for special activities and mentoring
- Physical activity through interscholastic sports, PE classes, or individual fitness plans each year (minimum 3 times/week)

**Independent Studies**

We offer a robust independent study program that includes student-created, teacher-created, and Advanced Placement courses.

**GPA and Weighting**

All courses are rigorous and college-preparatory. We use a 4.0 scale comprising the following values per credit:

A	(4.0)	B+	(3.3)	C+	(2.3)	D+	(1.3)	F	(0)
A-	(3.7)	B	(3.0)	C	(2.0)	D	(1.0)		
		B-	(2.7)	C-	(1.7)	D-	(0.7)		

**Class Rank**

Because of our small size and demanding, college-preparatory environment, we do not rank our students.

**Testing Results**

Middle 50% Ranges

Year	ACT
2015	24 - 31
2014	23 - 30
2013	24 - 31
2012	23 - 30
2011	24 - 30

**National Merit Scholarship Competition**

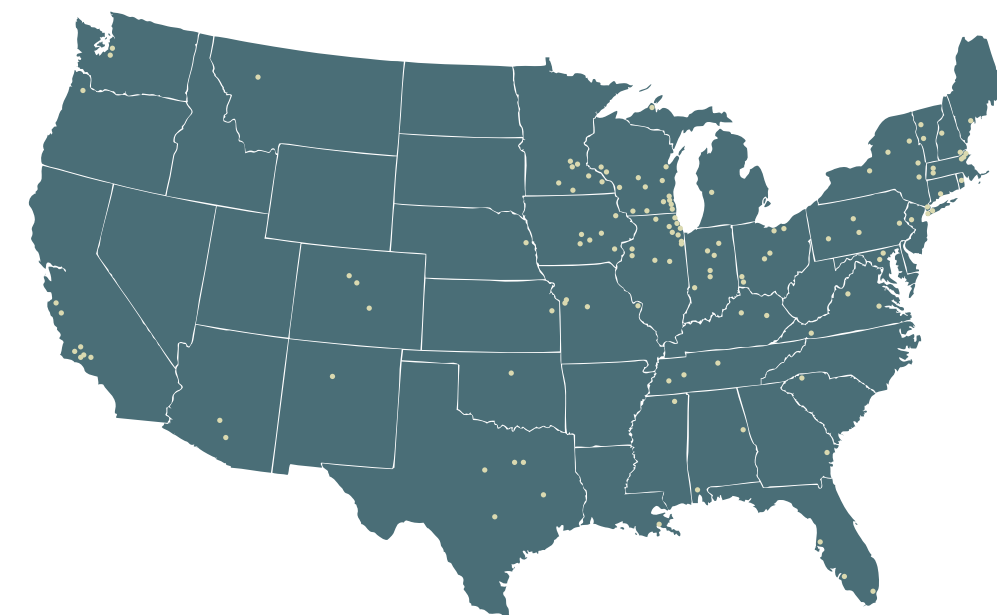
**2011-2015:**

5 Scholars  
 11 Finalists  
 12 Commended

**College Acceptances and Enrollments 2011-15**

College	Accepts, Enrolls
Abilene Christian University	1, 1
Allegheny College	1
Alverno College	1
American University	11
Arizona State University	6, 1
Asbury University	1
Auburn University	3, 1
Augsburg College	1
Augustana College	2, 2
Baldwin Wallace University	1
Ball State University	2
Bard College	1
Barnard College	2, 1
Baylor University	1
Belmont University	2, 1
Beloit College	1, 1
Bemidji State University	1
Berklee College of Music	3, 1
Boston College	2
Boston University	17, 2
Bowdoin College	1, 1
Bradley University	4, 2
Brock University	1
Brown University	1, 1
Bryn Mawr College	1
Bucknell University	2, 1
Butler University	9, 2
California State University, Long Beach	1
Calvin College	5, 1
Carleton College	6, 2
Carnegie Mellon University	3, 1
Carroll University	6, 2
Carthage College	19, 6
Case Western Reserve University	9, 1
Centre College	2, 2
Clark University	2
Clarke University	1, 1
Coe College	3
Colby College	1
Colgate University	3, 1
College of Charleston	1
College of Wooster, The	2
Colorado College	2, 1
Colorado School of Mines	1
Colorado State University-Fort Collins	10, 1
Columbia College Chicago	5
Columbia University, Sciences Po Dual BA	1
Concordia University River Forest	1
Concordia University Wisconsin	3, 1
Cornell College	3
Cornell University	3
Creighton University	4, 1
Dartmouth College	2, 1
Denison University	3
DePaul University	15, 8
DePauw University	7
Dickinson College	2
Drake University	5, 2
Drexel University	1
Eastern Kentucky University	1, 1
Eckerd College	4
Edgewood College	4
Emerson College	2
Emory University	4
Florida Atlantic University	1
Florida Gulf Coast University	1, 1
Florida International University	1
Florida Southern College	1
Fordham University	2, 1
Franklin & Marshall College	2
Franklin College Switzerland	1
Gardner-Webb University	1
Gateway Technical College	1, 1
George Mason University	1
George Washington University, The	7, 1
Georgetown University	2, 1
Georgia Institute of Technology	2
Gettysburg College	2, 1
Goucher College	1
Grinnell College	2, 2
Gustavus Adolphus College	5, 1
Hamline University	3
Hampshire College	2, 1
Harvey Mudd College	1, 1
Hawaii Pacific University	1
Hofstra University	1
Humboldt State University	2
Huntington University	1, 1
Illinois State University	2, 1
Illinois Wesleyan University	4, 2
Indiana State University	1
Indiana University Bloomington	16, 1
Iowa State University	13, 4
Iowa Wesleyan College	1
James Madison University	1, 1
Johns Hopkins University	1
Kalamazoo College	1
Kansas State University	1
Knox College	2, 1
Lafayette College	1
Lake Forest College	1, 1
Lake Superior State University	1
Lawrence University	9, 2
Lehigh University	1
Lewis & Clark College	8
Lipscomb University	1, 1
Long Island University, C.W. Post Campus	1, 1
Louisiana State University	1
Loyola University Chicago	6
Loyola University New Orleans	1
Luther College	2
Lynn University	2
Macalester College	7, 1
Marian University	1
Marquette University	40, 11
Marshall University	1
Massachusetts College of Art and Design	1
McDaniel College	1
McGill University	2
Miami University (Ohio)	16, 2
Michigan State University	17
Michigan Technological University	4, 1
Middlebury College	1, 1
Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design	2, 2
Milwaukee School of Engineering	3, 1
Minnesota State University-Mankato	2
Minnesota State University-Moorhead	2
Monmouth College	1
Montana State University (Bozeman)	4, 1
Montclair State University	3, 2
Mount Holyoke College	1
Muhlenberg College	1
Murray State University	1
New York University	9, 1
North Central College	5, 2
Northeastern University	3
Northern Arizona University	1
Northern Illinois University	2
Northland College	2
Northwestern University	9, 5
Norwich University	2
Oberlin College	1, 1
Occidental College	3, 1
Ohio Wesleyan University	2, 1
Oklahoma State University	1

**Enrollments 2011-15**



Johns Hopkins University	1
Kalamazoo College	1
Kansas State University	1
Knox College	2, 1
Lafayette College	1
Lake Forest College	1, 1
Lake Superior State University	1
Lawrence University	9, 2
Lehigh University	1
Lewis & Clark College	8
Lipscomb University	1, 1
Long Island University, C.W. Post Campus	1, 1
Louisiana State University	1
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Marquette University	40, 11
Marshall University	1
Massachusetts College of Art and Design	1
McDaniel College	1
McGill University	2
Miami University (Ohio)	16, 2
Michigan State University	17
Michigan Technological University	4, 1
Middlebury College	1, 1
Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design	2, 2
Milwaukee School of Engineering	3, 1
Minnesota State University-Mankato	2
Minnesota State University-Moorhead	2
Monmouth College	1
Montana State University (Bozeman)	4, 1
Montclair State University	3, 2
Mount Holyoke College	1
Muhlenberg College	1
Murray State University	1
New York University	9, 1
North Central College	5, 2
Northeastern University	3
Northern Arizona University	1
Northern Illinois University	2
Northland College	2
Northwestern University	9, 5
Norwich University	2
Oberlin College	1, 1
Occidental College	3, 1
Ohio Wesleyan University	2, 1
Oklahoma State University	1