



Colleton Preparatory Academy

"Creating Leaders for a Changing World"

Excellence in Independent Education
on the "Front Porch of the Lowcountry"



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CEEB CODE: 412-045

FOUNDED: 1966

ENROLLMENT: 360 (APPROX)

GRADES SERVED: PK1-12

AVG. CLASS SIZE: 15

CP, HONORS, 16 CLASSES IN
THE "EARLY COLLEGE"
PROGRAM WITH USC
SALKEHATCHIE

COMMUNITY SERVICE

SCHOOL OVERVIEW

Colleton Preparatory Academy is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory school for students in grades K-1 through 12, serving Walterboro, Colleton County, and surrounding areas. The school opened in 1966 (as John C. Calhoun Academy) and graduated its first senior class in 1968. In 1990, the name changed to Colleton Preparatory.

MISSION STATEMENT

Colleton Preparatory Academy seeks to provide a challenging and traditional college preparatory curriculum that prepares students to meet the academic demands of post-secondary education as well as to become responsible, productive citizens. Emphasis is placed on rigorous academics, fine arts, interscholastic athletics, technology, and a commitment to service and leadership. Students are encouraged to develop and achieve their full potential in all areas of intellectual, physical, social and emotional, and spiritual growth.

VISION STATEMENT: "Creating Leaders on the Front Porch of the Lowcountry"

As Colleton County-Walterboro area grows in population and develops economically, local leadership is essential. Colleton Preparatory Academy provides students the skills to become local as well as state and national leaders in government service and business, as well as the sciences and arts.

QUICK FACTS

- Current enrollment: 360 (K1-12)
- 35 faculty members: average 15 years of experience; 30% have advanced degrees
- 6 additional support staff
- Average SAT (CR & Math) for top 25% (Class of 2016): 1190; top 50% is 1150
- WiFi campus with 3 computer labs
- Smart Boards in every core class
- **Scholarship/FA available**

ACADEMICS

The Lower School (PK1 -Grade 5) enrolls students in a traditional elementary program that uses a variety of experiential learning activities and emphasizes critical thinking skills while teaching students to read, write, and understand mathematical functions and problems.

The Middle School (6-8) offers a departmental program to strengthen basic skills and further develop critical thinking, and develops greater academic responsibility and disciplined work habits. Middle School offers an integrated curriculum approach in core and related arts courses. Both Lower and Middle School students enjoy a wide variety of related arts classes each week, including art, music, Spanish, library/research and technology, PE and health.

The "Early College" program in conjunction with USC Salkehatchie begins in 10th grade for qualifying students. Juniors & Seniors are enrolled in college credit courses in English history, government, economics, mathematics, theatre, psychology, and public speaking. Middle and Upper School students participate in various activities and/or clubs, with choices ranging from drama, visual arts, drum line, academic bowl, debate team, math meet, to chess club. The affective curriculum includes both grade sponsor and academic advisory programs that focus on service, leadership, commitment to community spirit, and social-emotional growth.

Graduation Requirements (24 units minimum)

English	4 Units
Mathematics	4 Units
Science	4 Units (3 must be lab sciences)
Social Sciences	3 Units (US History & Government/Economics required)
Foreign Language	2 Units (in same language)
Fine Arts	1 Unit
Physical Education	1 Unit
Electives	4-10 Units

Grading System

A	90 – 100
B	80 – 89
C	70 – 79
D	60 – 69
F	59 and below
Weighted GPA	
SC Uniform Grading Policy	

ACCREDITATION & MEMBERSHIPS

Colleton Preparatory Academy is accredited at the Advanced level, the highest evaluation given, by the South Carolina Independent School Association and has maintained that distinction since it was first offered. In 2014 CPA has earned the distinction of becoming an AdvancED school, through the SACS. The Academy has also been a member of the Palmetto Association of Independent Schools, and through that organization has been affiliated with the National Association of Independent Schools.

ATHLETICS

Toward our goal of developing a healthy, well-rounded individual, CPA offers a full range of extracurricular athletic opportunities for students; and all of our programs emphasize sportsmanship, leadership, a competitive spirit, and teamwork. Colleton Prep fields 21 teams at the varsity, junior varsity, and middle school levels in 9 sports:

Baseball	Football	Girls' Soccer
Basketball	Golf	Girls' Tennis
Cheerleading	Softball	Volleyball

Lower school students also have the opportunity to participate in team sports including basketball, football, and cheerleading. More than 85% of eligible students participate in at least one sport.

As a Class 1A member of the South Carolina Independent School Athletic Association, Colleton Prep teams have captured a total of 13 state championships since 2002 in baseball (4), cheerleading (3), football (2), softball (5), speed & strength (1), and tennis (2). The school's athletic program has also been the 4-time winner of the SCISA President's Cup, awarded to the top 2A athletic program in South Carolina.

THE ARTS

At CPA, the arts are considered as important as traditional academics. Therefore visual, musical, and dramatic arts are incorporated into all grade levels through integration in the curriculum as well as required classes in grades Kindergarten through 10th grade. High school students have the opportunity to take elective classes in the arts. Beginning with the 2010-2011 year, the *Colleton Preparatory Arts Showcase* at the Colleton Center for the Arts, is the culmination of the year's works—both student and faculty.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Typically, 98% of our graduating seniors elect to continue their education by enrolling in college for the following fall semester. In the graduating classes of 2011 through 2016, 100% were accepted for admission to a college or four year university.

Members of the classes of 2007-2016 were offered admission to the following colleges and universities:

Art Institute of Charleston	Northern Arizona University
University of Alabama	North Greenville University
Auburn University	Old Miss University
Campbell University	Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College
Charleston Southern University	Presbyterian College
Clemson University	Spartanburg Methodist College
Coastal Carolina University	Technical College of the Lowcountry
Coker College	The Citadel
College of Charleston	Tri-county Technical College
Columbia College	Trident Technical College
Converse College	University of Pittsburg
Emory & Henry College	USC-Aiken
Erskine College	USC-Beaufort
Francis Marion College	USC-Columbia
Furman University	USC-Lancaster
Greenville Technical College	USC-Salkehatchie
Lander University	USC-Upstate (Honors College)
Limestone College	Virginia Intermont
Methodist University (NC)	Western Carolina University (NC)
Mercer University	Winthrop University
Midlands Technical College	Wofford College
Newberry College	