



## HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

Founded in 2009, Greyfriars Classical Academy (GCA) is a classical, Christian, college-preparatory high school located in Matthews, North Carolina. The mission of GCA is to assist families in providing a classical education marked by a biblical worldview, academic excellence and affordability. Using an honors curriculum based on the Trivium, students are equipped to think clearly and biblically about the world in which they live. GCA is a day school, but the class structure resembles that of a university, meeting together on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

### Curriculum

The liberal arts curriculum at Greyfriars is modeled after the classical trivium of grammar, logic, and rhetoric. Courses offered include logic, composition, rhetoric, and senior thesis with four years of literature and history, mathematics, science, aesthetics and theology. Since the classic works of western literature are central to our curriculum, students read Homer, Virgil, Dante, Chaucer, Shakespeare, Austen, Dickens, Shelley, Fitzgerald, Hawthorne, Hemingway, Twain (and more).

### Honors Courses

All courses are offered at the Honors Level and most are also offered at the Standard Level. Homework expectations and graded work are more demanding at the Honors Level and less demanding at the Standard Level. All students for a given course are together in the same class with the same teacher at the same time, regardless of which level is chosen. Students who complete a course at the "Honors" level have 1 grade point added on transcripts.

### Senior Thesis Project

As a capstone to the students' education, seniors must select, research and write a thesis paper. The paper is approximately 20 pages in length. Upon completion of the thesis paper, each student is also required to present and defend the thesis to a panel of teachers, board members and advisors.

School Code: 342536

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Total Enrollment - 51

Average Class Size - 11

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New SAT Test Scores

Class of 2020 - 1167

2016-2020 Average

Greyfriars - 1201

National - 1048

North Carolina - 1074

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ACT Test Scores

Class of 2020 - 25.2

2013-2020 Average

Greyfriars - 26.3

National - 20.9

North Carolina - 19.0

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## Grading Scale

Course grades will be assigned using the following grade scale (with corresponding point values):

A	90% - 100%	4.00 points
B	80% - 89%	3.00 points
C	70% - 79%	2.00 points
D	60% - 69%	1.00 points
F	0% - 59%	no points

Grades are weighted by adding 1 point for Honors courses.

## Graduation Requirements

Graduation from GCA requires 20.5 credits with the following minimums:

History	4
Literature	4
Mathematics	4
Science	3
Foreign Language*	2
Senior Thesis Project	1
Electives	2.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20.5 credits</b>

\*in the same language

Note: The above graduation requirements are the minimum necessary to graduate, and do not represent the typical enrollment of full-time students. Ordinarily, full-time students are expected to take the entire curriculum listed above (7 credits per year for 4 years = 28 credits).

## Faculty

Of the 18 faculty, eight members hold academic degrees at the Master's level or above (three Ph.D.).

## Class Rank

GCA does not compute class rank due to the small graduating class size and rigorous academic coursework. Cumulative GPA is used at the end of the senior year to determine the valedictorian and salutatorian of each graduating class.

## College Admissions

Anderson University  
Appalachian State Univ.  
Barton College  
Bryn Mawr College  
Campbell University  
Cedarville University  
Clemson University  
Covenant College  
Duke University  
East Carolina University  
Erskine College  
Grove City College  
Hillsdale College  
The King's College  
Liberty University  
Montreat College  
Moody Bible College  
Mount Holyoke College  
New College  
NC State University  
Pfeiffer University  
Queens University  
Samford University  
Smith College  
Tulane University  
UNC, Charlotte  
UNC, Greensboro  
UNC, Wilmington  
USC, Columbia  
Virginia Tech  
Wheaton College  
Wingate University  
Wofford College