



# 2021-2022 BLUE RIDGE SCHOOL PROFILE

Blue Ridge School is an all-boys, college preparatory, boarding school in the USA founded in 1909. We prepare our students to thrive in college and to be men of character.

Currently there are 156 boys enrolled representing 21 states, the District of Columbia, and 12 foreign countries. Approximately 31 percent of the students come from traditionally under-represented ethnic groups. The student/faculty ratio is less than 6/1 with an average class size of eight.

Our curriculum undergoes constant revision in order to offer students options that will prepare them for success in college. We intentionally design classes and schedules to meet the needs of boys.

BRS is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and by the Virginia Association of Independent Schools, and is a member of the National Association of Independent Schools, the Secondary School Admission Testing Board, the Council for the Advancement of Schools and Education, The Association of Boarding Schools, the Potomac Association for College Admissions Counseling, and the National Association for College Admissions Counseling.

**BLUE RIDGE SCHOOL'S MISSION:** We specifically focus on helping boys reach their potential through personalized, structured, innovative learning practices in a college preparatory, all-boarding community.

## CURRICULUM

### ENGLISH:

Language and Literature 1  
 Language and Literature 2  
 Honors Language and Literature 2  
 World Literature  
 Honors World Literature  
 American Literature  
 Honors American Literature

### MATHEMATICS:

Algebra 1  
 Algebra 2  
 Calculus 1  
 Calculus 2  
 Geometry  
 Honors Precalculus  
 Precalculus  
 Statistics

### SCIENCE:

Anatomy and Physiology  
 Astronomy  
 Biology  
 Calculus-Based Physics  
 Chemistry  
 Environmental Studies  
 Honors Chemistry  
 Integrated Science  
 Physics

### HISTORY:

Human Geography and World Cultures  
 Modern World History 10  
 PVCC U.S History  
 US History and Government 11  
 US History 12  
 Comparative Religion

### WORLD LANGUAGE:

Spanish I  
 Spanish II  
 Spanish III  
 Spanish Culture  
 Spanish IV

### ELECTIVES:

Applied Entrepreneurship  
 Artificial Intelligence  
 Economics  
 Foundations of Entrepreneurship  
 Happiness! The Psychology of What Makes Life Worth Living  
 Leadership  
 Purpose  
 Design Thinking 9  
 Design Thinking 10  
 Sports Broadcasting

### OUTDOORS:

Appalachian Studies  
 Environmental Ethics  
 Ornithology  
 Outdoor Leadership  
 Outdoor Service Learning

### ELL:

ELL Advanced  
 ELL Intermediate  
 (Communication and Presentation)  
 ELL Intermediate (Reading and Writing)  
 ELL Lab

### ART & MUSIC:

Advanced Art  
 American History of Rock and Roll  
 BRS Recording Workshop  
 Band  
 Ceramics  
 Computer Art  
 Instrumental Music (Beginner)  
 Music Theory and Composition  
 Piano and Guitar Collaboration  
 Studio Art

# A Selection of College Acceptances from 2018-2021

Typically, 100 percent of Blue Ridge School students are accepted to four year colleges and universities.

\*Denotes matriculation of one or more students.

Adelphi University	Illinois Institute of Technology	The University of Iowa
Allegheny College	Indiana University at Bloomington	The University of New South Wales-Sydney*
American University*	Jacobs University Bremen*	The University of South Carolina
Appalachian State University*	James Madison University*	The University of Tampa*
Arizona State University	Johns Hopkins University*	The University of Tennessee at Knoxville
ArtCenter College of Design	Juniata College	The University of Texas at San Antonio
Auburn University	Kent State University*	The University of Vermont
Belmont Abbey College*	La Salle University	Trinity University
Belmont University	Lake Forest College	Tulane University
Binghamton University	Lehigh University*	Union College (New York)*
Boise State University*	Liberty University*	University College Dublin*
Boston University*	Longwood University	University of Arkansas*
Brevard College*	Louisiana State University	University of California Los Angeles*
Bridgewater College*	Loyola University Maryland*	University of California-Berkeley*
Brown University	Lynn University*	University of California-Davis
Bucknell University	Mary Baldwin University	University of California-Irvine*
Butler University	Maryland Institute College of Art	University of California-Riverside*
California College of the Arts	Merrimack College*	University of California-Santa Barbara*
Canisius College*	Miami University-Oxford	University of California, San Diego
Case Western Reserve University*	Michigan State University*	University of Colorado at Boulder
Centre College	Middlebury College*	University of Connecticut*
Christopher Newport University*	Mississippi State University	University of Denver*
Clark University	Morehead State University	University of Hartford*
Clemson University	Morehouse College*	University of Illinois at Chicago
Cleveland State University*	Mount St. Mary's University - Maryland*	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*
Coastal Carolina University*	New York University*	University of Iowa*
Colgate University	North Carolina Central University*	University of Kentucky*
College of Charleston*	Northeastern University	University of Lynchburg
College of the Holy Cross	Northern Michigan University	University of Mary Washington
College of William and Mary	Northwestern University	University of Massachusetts-Amherst
Colorado School of Mines	Occidental College	University of Miami
Cornell College	Ohio State University-Main Campus	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Dartmouth College	Ohio University	University of Mississippi*
Denison University*	Ohio Wesleyan University*	University of Missouri-Columbia*
DePauw University	Old Dominion University	University of New Haven
Dickinson College	Pennsylvania State University	University of New Orleans*
Drexel University	Pepperdine University	University of North Carolina at Asheville
East Carolina University	Pratt School of Art and Design*	University of North Carolina at Wilmington*
Eastern Illinois University*	Purdue University*	University of North Dakota*
Eastern Kentucky University	Queens University of Charlotte*	University of Pittsburgh-Pittsburgh Campus
Elon University*	Quinnipiac University	University of Rochester*
Emerson College	Radford University*	University of San Francisco
Emory & Henry College*	Randolph College*	University of Tampa
ESIC Business and Marketing School	Randolph-Macon College	University of Tennessee, Chattanooga*
Fashion Institute of Technology	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Texas, Arlington
Ferrum College	Rochester Institute of Technology*	University of Toronto*
Florida Atlantic University*	Rollins College	University of Tulsa
Florida Institute of Technology	Rutgers University-New Brunswick	University of Utah
Florida State University	Savannah College of Art and Design*	University of Vermont
Fordham University	School of Visual Arts*	University of Virginia*
Franklin & Marshall College*	Seton Hill University	University of Washington*
Franklin Pierce University	Sewanee: The University of the South*	University of Wisconsin, Madison
Full Sail University*	Shenandoah University	Utah State University*
Furman University*	Skidmore College*	Virginia Commonwealth University*
George Mason University*	Southern Methodist University	Virginia Military Institute*
George Washington University*	St. John's University	Virginia Tech
Georgia Southern University*	St. Lawrence University	Virginia Wesleyan University
Guilford College	Stevenson University	Washington College
Hampden-Sydney College*	Syracuse University	West Virginia University
Hampton University*	Temple University	Western Carolina University
Harvard University*	Texas A & M University*	Western Colorado University*
Haverford College*	Texas Tech	Western New England University*
High Point University*	The Catholic University of America	Whittier College
Hobart and William Smith Colleges*	The College of Wooster	Williams College
Hope College	The Cooper Union	Wittenberg University
Howard University	The New School	Wofford College
Huntingdon College	The Ohio State University	Xavier University
I.E University Madrid*	The University of Alabama	Young Harris College

THE CLASS OF 2022  
has 48 students from 14 U.S. states and  
7 countries (Saudi Arabia, Vietnam,  
Canada, Japan, China, Spain, and  
Dominican Republic).

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English - 4 years  
World Language - 3 years  
History - 4 years  
Mathematics - 3 years  
Science - 3 years

Elective Credits - 3 credits

## HEADMASTER'S LIST:

No grade lower than 90% and a GPA of  
3.7 or above.

## DEAN'S LIST:

No grade lower than 83% and a GPA of  
3.0 or above.

## GRADE POINT AVERAGES

are based on cumulative BRS grades  
and are un-weighted.

A+ = 4.3                      A = 3.5 - 4.0

B = 3.0 - 3.4                C = 2.0 - 2.9

D = 1.0 - 1.9

## GRADING SCALES

A+ = 97-100                A = 90-96

C = 70-79                    B = 80-89

D = 60-69



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