

About the School

For 35 years, Laurel Springs School has pioneered excellence in online education. As an accredited online private school for K-12 students and postgraduates, our students are individually challenged and supported by 164 faculty members with distinct expertise in their fields, with the majority holding advanced degrees. Laurel Springs School has successfully graduated over 7000 students and continues to expand its global reach.

Leadership

Alyssa Tormala, M.Ed., J.D., Head of School
Pam Adams, Ed. S., Director of Education
Heidi McClure, Ed. D., Dean of Counseling

Student Body

3,500	2026-27 Total Enrollment
540	Class of 2027 Graduating Seniors
85%	Full-Time Students
15%	Part-Time Students
50	U.S. States Represented
100+	International Countries Represented
77%	Class of 2026 College-Bound Students

High School Courses

242	College Prep Courses
24	Honors Courses
24	AP Courses
44	World Language Courses
227	UC a-g Approved Courses
104	NCAA Approved Courses

Advanced Placement

Our students achieve high levels of academic success and demonstrate college readiness through participation in AP courses. In the 2025-26 school year, students at Laurel Springs enrolled in 475 AP courses. 84% of all AP Exams reported to Laurel Springs were 3 or higher, with 62% of exams scoring a 4 or 5.

(Note that these numbers reflect only those scores reported to the school by the College Board, as our students take exams at multiple locations.)

Student Life

Our student life program offers over 90 co-curricular clubs, monthly family field trips, and experiential travel-learning opportunities. Academic engagement includes 16 honor societies (grades 6-12) and competitive teams such as Model UN, Math Team, FBLA and Future City.

Mission Statement

Laurel Springs School's mission is to engage global learners in an education that values them as individuals, integrates their passions and pursuits into academic and career pathways, and fosters inquiry, growth, mastery, purpose, and independence.

Programs at Laurel Springs

Elementary	AP Capstone Diploma™
Middle School	Dual Enrollment
High School	Gap Year Program
The Academy at Laurel Springs	Summer Program

Curriculum

Laurel Springs is the school of choice for motivated students who wish to balance personal needs or passions with excellent academics. We provide challenging self-paced, mastery-based academic courses in core subjects, 100+ electives courses, and six World Languages. Each semester-long College Prep, Honors, and AP course delivers a half credit and consists of 20 weeks of work with a minimum of five study hours per week. Eligible students enrolled in our full-time high school, Academy, or Gap Year programs may also enroll in dual-enrollment courses offered through select university partners or other accredited institutions as available.

The Academy at Laurel Springs

The Academy at Laurel Springs School provides students in grades 6-12 with an enriched, connected online experience combining academic challenge, community, and personalized support. Students engage in weekly synchronous learning, advanced coursework, dual enrollment, and guest speaker sessions. Beyond the classroom, collaborative initiatives foster student leadership and empower student voice. Through a high-touch counseling model with smaller caseloads, dedicated counselors offer frequent 1:1 check-ins, academic planning, and tailored college and career guidance from middle school through graduation.

Dual Enrollment

Eligible students have the opportunity to participate in the dual enrollment program through partnerships with Arizona State University and Syracuse University; students had the opportunity to take courses through Baylor University prior to the 2026-27 school year.

Gap Year Program

Recent graduates have the opportunity to infuse the transitional time between high school and college with purpose. This customizable program is designed for students who wish to distinguish themselves academically, discover and nurture their passions, or acquire tools to better prepare for higher education.

Class of 2026 Average SAT/ACT Scores

	Laurel Springs	California	National
SAT Reasoning	625	560	528
SAT Math	613	548	517
ACT Composite	24.7	22.7	19.5

Grading Scale

Letter Grade	Numeric Grade	College Prep	Honors	AP / Dual Enrollment
A+	96.5-100	4.00	4.50	5.00
A	92.5-96.4	4.00	4.50	5.00
A-	89.5-92.4	3.70	4.20	4.70
B+	86.5-89.4	3.30	3.80	4.30
B	82.5-86.4	3.00	3.50	4.00
B-	79.5-82.4	2.70	3.20	3.70
C+	76.5-79.4	2.30	2.80	3.30
C	72.5-76.4	2.00	2.50	3.00
C-	69.5-72.4	1.70	2.20	2.70
D+	66.5-69.4	1.30	1.80	2.30
D	62.5-66.4	1.00	1.50	2.00
D-	59.5-62.4	0.70	1.20	1.70
F	59.4 <	0.00	0.00	0.00

Laurel Springs School does not rank its students.

Advanced Courses

Advanced courses are available for students seeking a challenging academic curriculum. Using advanced curricula, teacher support, and hands-on learning opportunities, each student fulfills college entrance requirements while pursuing personal interests and individual goals. Honors, AP, and Dual Enrollment courses emphasize vocabulary development, critical thinking, problem-solving, expository writing, and research. Students who successfully complete AP Calc AB move directly to the second semester of AP Calc BC.

Honors Course Offerings

Honors English

- Drama Literature
- English 1
- English 2
- English 3
- English 4
- Shakespearean Literature
- Applied Creative Writing & Composition

Honors Social Studies & Social Sciences

- American Government
- American History
- Economics
- Philosophy & Ethics
- World Geography
- World History

Honors Mathematics

- Algebra 1
- Algebra 2
- Geometry
- Pre-Calculus

Honors Science

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Earth Science
- Human Anatomy & Physiology
- Marine Science
- Physical Science
- Physics 1

Graduation Requirements

Subject	Required Credits	Required Credits
	(Classes of 2025, 2026, and 2027)	(Classes of 2028 and later)
English	4.0 Credits	4.0 Credits
Mathematics*	3.0 Credits	3.0 Credits
Science	3.0 Credits	3.0 Credits
Social Studies	3.0 Credits	3.0 Credits
World Language**	2.0 Credits	2.0 Credits
Fine Art	1.0 Credits	1.0 Credits
Physical Education	2.0 Credits	1.0 Credits
Health	0.5 Credits	0.5 Credits
Elective*** Or additional Fine Art	1.0 Credits	1.0 Credits
Additional Credits	4.0 Credits	5.0 Credits
TOTAL	23.5 Credits	23.5 Credits

*Must include Algebra 2 or higher level of math

**Must be two consecutive years of the same non-native language

***Includes High School Seminar courses (0.5 to 2 credits)

AP® Course Offerings

AP Capstone Diploma™ Program

- AP Seminar
- AP Research

AP English

- English Language & Composition
- English Literature & Composition

AP Fine Arts

- Art History

AP World Language

- French Language & Culture
- Spanish Language & Culture

AP Science:

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Environmental Science
- Physics 1

AP Mathematics & Computer Science:

- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Computer Science A
- Computer Science Principles
- Statistics

AP Social Studies & Social Sciences:

- European History
- Human Geography
- Macroeconomics
- Microeconomics
- Psychology
- U.S. Government & Politics
- U.S. History
- World History

College Matriculations

Each year, Laurel Springs students are accepted for admission at more than 500 colleges and universities around the world including small and large private and public colleges and universities, top-tier universities, research institutions, liberal arts colleges, and visual and performing arts colleges and conservatories. Many of our rising graduates choose to attend two-year colleges and vocational schools, take a gap year, or enter directly into a professional field or military service. In the past four years, Laurel Springs graduates have enrolled at more than 600 colleges and universities in 49 U.S. states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and 20+ countries. Click [here](#) or visit our website to view the list of all 4-year institutions to which Laurel Springs' students enrolled between 2022-2026.

