



St. James High School

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Home of the Sharks!

Academic Opportunities

The St. James High School Advanced Placement (AP) Institute provides highly motivated students with a wide variety of course offerings! Highly motivated students will have the opportunity to earn the AP Capstone Diploma, an internationally recognized standard of academic excellence.

To earn this recognition, students must pass AP exams in at least four different subject areas and successfully complete a two-course sequence in academic writing and research during their 10th and 12th-grade years.

In addition, St. James High School offers 24 AP classes and 16 different career pathways while working on expanding STEM initiatives. Additional opportunities include Agriculture and Natural Resource Management, Operations Management, Health Science, Sports Medicine, Family and Consumer Science, Foods and Nutrition, Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Computer Science, PLTW Biomedical Science, PLTW Engineering, World Languages, JROTC, Theater, Arts, and Music.



ACADEMIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In March 2016, St. James High School was announced as the winner of the prestigious Palmetto's Finest Award from SCASA. Since that year, St. James High has also been recognized as being among the top high schools nationally by U.S. News & World Report. The graduating class of 2022 earned over \$8 million in scholarships, and more than 70% of this graduating class plans to enroll in a two- or four-year college or university. Over the last three years, St. James High School has been home to six National Merit Scholarship semifinalists. Since 2012, SJHS has had FIVE teachers named as top-five finalists for Horry County Schools Teacher of the Year, including the district's 2021 winner!

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Our school offers a large number of clubs and organizations, appealing to our diverse and growing student body. The St. James High School chapter of the National Honor Society is one of the largest and most active in the state. The Shark Academic Team has won the HCS Academic Olympics four times since 2010. We also have clubs for students interested in surfing, video games, health science, tabletop gaming, and archery, among many other areas! Students are encouraged to get involved as a member of the Shark family!



ATHLETICS

Our school offers 43 sports teams at the Varsity and Junior Varsity levels. These include football, cross country, golf, tennis, volleyball, swimming, basketball, soccer, softball, baseball, track & field, wrestling, lacrosse, and competitive cheerleading.

ATHLETIC AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Shark athletes continue to swim forward on the field, on the court, and in the classroom! Competing in division AAAAA, our student-athletes have the opportunity to compete against the largest schools across South Carolina. Our varsity baseball team is a perennial contender in the region and state. The girls golf team has won multiple state titles. Our competition cheerleading and boys wrestling squads have also advanced to the state finals in recent years. Our newest varsity sport, boys volleyball, has grown in popularity over the last two seasons. Since 2010, more than two dozen Shark athletes have signed letters of intent to continue their athletic careers at the post-secondary level.

FINE ARTS

St. James High School offers a variety of visual and performing arts options. Students pursuing an interest in visual arts may study painting and drawing, photography, ceramics, or sculpture and design. We are proud to offer several high-level art classes, including Advanced Placement Art Studio in both 2D and 3D media. Students may also be interested in being a member of our award-winning drama and choir programs or engaging in a number of instrumental music options, including marching band, orchestra, concert band, piano, and guitar classes.



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Mission Statement

Our mission is to create a learning community in which every student who enters our school graduates college and/or career-ready, prepared with a plan, and equipped with the necessary knowledge and life skills to serve as a good citizen and succeed in an ever-changing society.

Additional Information

Once you've joined the St. James High School Shark Family, you're a Shark for life! While our faculty and staff work hard to provide every student with a rigorous and engaging learning experience, we know that this is not possible without building strong, positive relationships with our students. At St. James High School, you will never be just a standardized test score nor a face in the crowd!

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