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Briarwood Christian School, located in the suburbs of Birmingham, Alabama, was founded in 1964 as a ministry of Briarwood Presbyterian Church. Briarwood Christian School is a coeducational, college preparatory school and provides a competitive curriculum.

Briarwood employs 62 teaching faculty with 70% holding a master's degree or above. The class of 2018 received over \$8.6 million in scholarships, accumulated over 9,000 service hours and had a 100% college placement rate.

ACADEMICS

College Preparatory

English 9, 10, 11, and 12
Health
Career Prep
Algebra 2 w/ Trig
Algebra I
Geometry
Algebra II w/Trig.
Precalculus
Discrete Math
Calculus
Conceptual Physics
Biology
Chemistry
Environmental Science
Earth and Space Science
Anatomy and Physiology
Bible 9, 10, 11 and 12
World History II
Intro to European and U.S. History
Spanish 1 and 2
U. S. History I and II
Economics/Government
Chinese 1, 2 and 3
French 1 and 2

Fine Arts

Yearbook
Photography
Art 1, 2, 3 and 4
Band
Lion Guard
Creative Writing
Graphic Design
Speech
Drama 1, 2, 3 and 4
Films and Worldviews A and B
Show Choir
Sports Media
Video Production
Worship Leadership

Honors Courses

English 9, 10, and 11
Anatomy and Physiology
Geometry
Algebra II w/Trig.
Precalculus
Math Team
Physics
Chemistry
Biology
Intro to European and U. S. History
Spanish 3
French 3 and 4

Dual Enrollment

English 12
Precalculus
U. S. History II
Spanish
Biology

Advanced Placement

English Literature and Composition
Calculus AB/Calculus BC
Statistics
Biology
Chemistry
French
Physics C
Spanish
U.S. History
US Government & Politics
Chinese

Other Electives

Echoes of Eden
Introduction to CADD
Engineering Computations w/ MATLAB
Sports Stats

College Preparatory Diploma

<u>Course</u>	<u>Units</u>
Bible	4
English	4
Mathematics	4
Science (w/Labs)	4
Social Science	4
Foreign Language	1
Fine Arts	1
Career Prep	.5
Physical Education/Health	1
Electives	<u>1.5</u>
	25

Honors Major Diploma

<u>Course</u>	<u>Units</u>
Bible	4
English (3 Honors)	4
Mathematics (3 Honors)	4
Science (w/Labs, 3 Honors)	4
Social Science	4
Foreign Language	2
Fine Arts	1
Career Prep	.5
Physical Education/Health	1
Electives	<u>1.5</u>
	26

GRADING AND CLASS RANK

Briarwood does not rank students. Instead, a grade distribution and the grading scale are provided below. Each transcript includes a cumulative weighted GPA. Our weighted GPA adds 1.0 to AP, .6 to all Honors and Dual Enrollment courses, and .25 to 9th grade Honors Geometry and Physics courses.

GRADING SCALE

98-100	A+	4.4
93-97	A	4.2
90-92	A-	4.0
88-89	B+	3.4
83-87	B	3.2
80-82	B-	3.0
78-79	C+	2.4
73-77	C	2.2
70-72	C-	2.0
68-69	D+	1.4
63-67	D	1.2
60-62	D-	1.0
Below 60	F	

GRADE DISTRIBUTION

Class of 2018 (149 students)

1 st Quartile	4.83-4.38
2 nd Quartile	4.37-4.02
3 rd Quartile	4.02-3.66
4 th Quartile	3.65-2.18

Class of 2019 through Jr. year (138 students)

1 st Quartile	4.79-4.28
2 nd Quartile	4.28-4.05
3 rd Quartile	4.04-3.56
4 th Quartile	3.55-2.65

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS/STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES – 5-YEAR TREND

National Merit Scholars

Class	# Graduates	Finalist	Semi-Finalist	Commended
2018	149	5	0	1
2017	132	0	0	1
2016	135	1	1	2
2015	135	2	2	0
2014	140	2	2	0

College Admission Test Scores

Class	ACT	National Average	SAT	National Mean
2017	26.4	21.0	N/A	1060
2016	26.0	20.8	1187	N/A
2015	25.9	21.0	N/A	1006
2014	25.6	20.9	1186	1010
2013	25.5	20.0	1181	1010

ACCREDITATION

Briarwood Christian School is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School improvement (an accreditation division of AdvancED). Briarwood is also accredited with Exemplary School Status by the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI).

HIGHER EDUCATION ENROLLMENT STATISTICS FOR THE CLASS OF 2016

Four-year college/university	98%	In-state:	80%	Private:	10%
Two-year/Gap year:	2%	Out-of-state:	20%	Public:	90%

CLASS OF 2018 MATRICULATIONS

Auburn University	Samford University
Austin Peay State University	San Diego State University
Carson Newman University	Southern Union State Community College
Central Methodist University	Troy University
Clemson University	University of Alabama
Covenant College	University of Alabama Birmingham
Florida State University	University of Alabama at Huntsville
Jacksonville State University	University of Georgia
Jefferson State Community College	University of Mississippi
King University	University of Montevallo
Miami University, Oxford	University of North Alabama
Mississippi State University	University of South Alabama
Murray State University	University of South Florida, Tampa
Radford University	University of Southern California