



THE JOURNEY THAT CHANGES LIVES

PRESCHOOL THROUGH GRADE 12
Integrating Christian Faith and Learning Since 1913

Join Us on a Journey

Expand your mind
and stretch your abilities.

At Minnehaha Academy, we are looking for students just like you . . . students who want to lead and to follow, to listen, learn, and discuss . . . students who want to worship, serve, and participate.

Here, you'll challenge your abilities, forge new paths, and build lifelong friendships. Guided by talented teachers and infused with Christian values, you'll find remarkable opportunities to be involved every step of the way . . . opportunities that will deepen your learning, shape your character, and push you to a successful destination.

Follow your own
remarkable path

A Proven Course Nearly 100 years in the making...

Established in 1913 on the west bank of the Mississippi River, Minnehaha Academy is a Christian college preparatory school for students in preschool through grade twelve. For almost a century, the school has provided academic excellence in a caring and nurturing environment, while integrating Christian faith and learning.



Minnehaha Academy's Mission

To provide high quality
education integrating
Christian faith and learning.

"We feel that small class sizes, dedicated Christian staff, and an environment where it is okay to be smart has given our kids a well rounded experience. Our kids look forward to going to school and we appreciate that they will be well prepared for college."

— Kathy and Chris, Lower, Middle and Upper School parents





Providing direction...

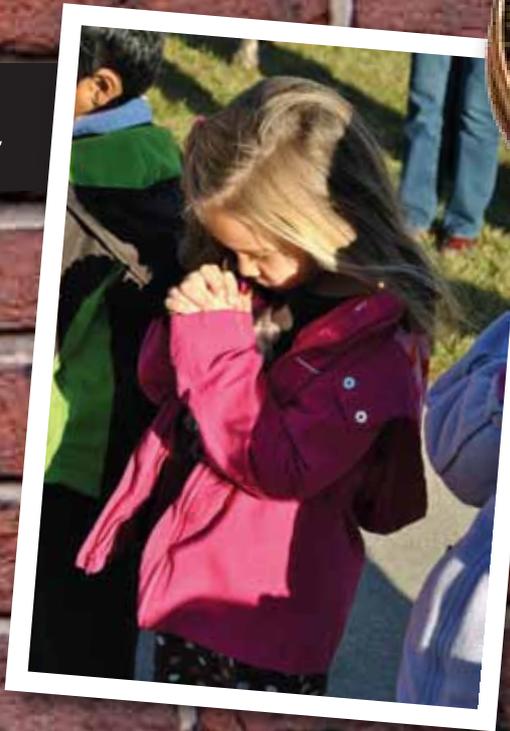


A CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Come As You Are

At Minnehaha Academy, we recognize that each student comes to us at a different place in their faith journey. Our school is founded on belief in the Bible as God's true word and the need for a personal relationship with Christ. As a school of the Northwest Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church, Minnehaha challenges students to grow in thoughts, words, and actions guided by Christian values and principles.

School life centers on a Christian viewpoint and servant leadership. Through stimulating classroom discussion, required Bible classes, and weekly chapel meetings, faculty and staff model Christian values and encourage students to think personally about faith and belief.



Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.
— 1 Peter 4:9-11

SERVICE & MINISTRY

Students at Minnehaha find ways to use their creativity and passion to meet the needs of others. At Minnehaha Academy, service is more than just an "add-on." It is real, concrete and woven into every thing we do. It is a focal point of our Christian perspective and understanding of how we should live our lives as followers of Christ.



The number of service opportunities Minnehaha Academy offers each year **1,000+**



Cultural Field Experience

In a structured week of cultural immersion, all students in grades 9-11 pursue opportunities that create local and global connections among people of diverse circumstances and backgrounds.



Push your potential...



ACADEMICS

Illuminating and insightful, Minnehaha Academy's award-winning curriculum prepares you for challenging post-secondary opportunities. A few facts about Minnehaha:

- 64%** Students in grades 10-12 who pursue college-level Advanced Placement (AP) courses
- 21** Advanced Placement exams in the sciences and humanities available to grades 10-12
- 26.2** Average ACT test score
(Compare to 22.9 for Minnesota and 21 for national average ACT test scores)
- 102** AP students named "Scholars with Distinction" (2008-2010)
- 42** Students named "Scholars with Honor" (2008-2010)
- 2** National Merit Finalists (2011)
- 4** National Merit Commended Semifinalists (2011)
- 1** National Achievement student recognized in 2011 following a history of National Merit Scholars
- Nearly #2 million** Post-secondary scholarships awarded to the Class of 2011
- 65%** Members of the Class of 2011 who attended out-of-state institutions
- 6** Journalism students named national winners in the Quill and Scroll 2010 Yearbook Excellence Contest
- 11** Upper School students received National French Awards in French II, III and IV (2011)
- 21** Middle School students who won National Latin Exam awards (2011)



FACULTY

Minnehaha Academy faculty, staff and coaches are highly qualified leaders and Christian role models who strive to offer excellent educational experiences and mentoring. At Minnehaha, learning is always a dynamic process —among staff members, too. The school's skilled faculty consistently strives to grow professionally for the purpose of improving student learning experiences.

Faculty holding advanced degrees:

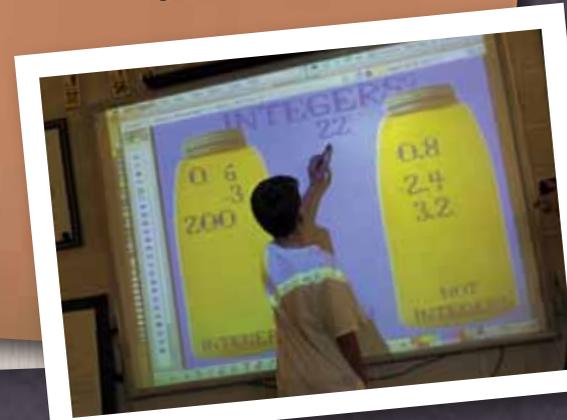
- 80%** Upper School
- 66%** Middle School
- 55%** Lower School



Technology

Minnehaha Academy integrates the use of technology and library/media tools into the curriculum to enhance student learning. We teach students the effective use of technology to research, collaborate, problem-solve, analyze, and communicate with people within the Minnehaha community and around the world. Minnehaha provides the following:

- Interactive whiteboards and projection systems in 90 percent of classrooms
- Student response systems in 20 classrooms
- iPad tablets for all Lower School teachers; iPads available for student use
- Wireless internet access
- All teachers have desktop or laptop computers in their classrooms
- MacBook laptop computer carts available for student classroom use in Middle and Upper schools
- Five dedicated student computer labs equipped with Apple desktops





Enrich your journey...

THE ARTS

PERFORMING ARTS

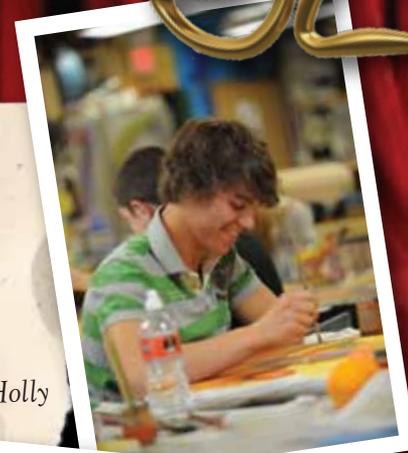
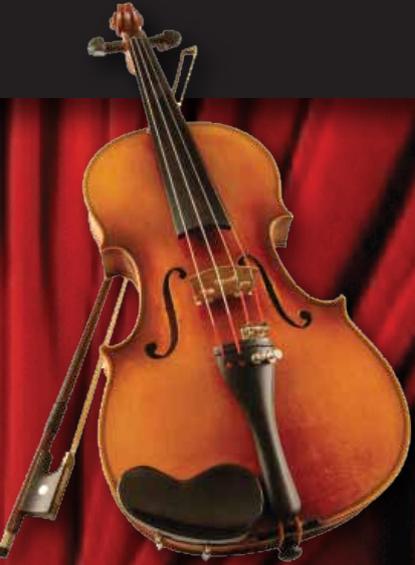
At Minnehaha, you can always find a place to belong. We showcase 20 performing groups providing opportunities for every age and ability level in band, orchestra, choir, and drama. Minnehaha students are invited participants at Minnesota All-State music ensembles every year. Encouraged by Minnehaha's emphasis on artistic development, Upper School musicians have performed under the spotlights of Carnegie Hall and displayed their talents while traveling internationally. Our Middle School students "pull out all the stops" with theatrical productions that enchant local audiences. Even the voices of our Lower School students have soared through the National Anthem at a Minnesota Timberwolves game. Amazingly, these paths are only a few of the options that talented Minnehaha "performers" have pursued year after year.

"Our students know how to collaborate to make great theatre. They are passionate and know that by helping and praying for one another they can affect the greater goal of telling dynamic stories."

– Mr. Freeman, Theater and Film Teacher,
Star of the History Theater's recent production of Buddy Holly

VISUAL ARTS

Throughout Lower and Middle School, our students draw, paint, sculpt, weave, and make pottery. Once in Upper School, students may choose from drawing and painting, graphic design, sculpture and ceramics, film, photography and video.





Hit your stride...

ATHLETICS



Minnehaha's athletic tradition and talent produce winning teams under the guidance and mentoring of Christian coaches – a fact that gives our students a “character counts” perspective in team sports.

- 25 Varsity sport offerings plus other athletic activities
- 4 Competition basketball courts
- 4 Competition volleyball courts
- 1 Soccer/lacrosse field
- 1 Football field
- 1 Ice arena
- 7 Tennis courts
- 1 Six-lane all-weather track

Mascot: Redhawk
 Colors: Red and Black
 Conference: Tri-Metro

Minnehaha Fight Song

Fight, fight, fight
 We're going to win tonight.
 Score, score, score and
 Score and score some more.
 We're going to
 Win, win, win
 And that is why we sing
 And shout our praises to the sky
 High, high, high.
 Go, go, go
 Our colors now unfold.
 Roll, roll, roll
 Up the score
 With a V-I-C-T-O-R-Y.
 We're going to
 Win, win, win
 This game.
 M-I-N-N-E-H-A-H-A
 Minnehaha, Minnehaha
 Go Redhawks!

75% of Upper School students
 and 87% of Middle School students
 participate in athletics



Keeping Score: 2010-2011

- Boys Cross Country
Section Champions – 4th in State
- Girls Alpine Ski
Conference Champions,
Section Champions – 3rd in State
- Boys Nordic Ski
Conference Champions,
Section Champions – 3rd in State
- Girls Basketball
Section Champions – 2nd in State
- Boys Basketball
Section Champions
- Boys Cross Country
Conference Champions
- Boys Track
Conference Champions
Section Champions
- Baseball
Conference Champions,
Section Runner-Up
- Boys Golf
Section Runner-Up
- Girls Softball
4th in Section

“Minnehaha was such a blessing to me. The school's environment provided a strong platform for me to achieve my goals both academically and athletically. With the help of teachers and coaches I am now prepared and able to live my dream of playing D1 basketball at a Christian university.” – *Katelyn, '11*



Parent Involvement

Being a parent of a Minnehaha student means being a partner in education. Minnehaha parents are valued contributors at every step of the educational journey. Parent input and interest are welcomed in nurturing student growth. From volunteering in service activities to supporting fundraising efforts, Minnehaha parents are visibly involved team members.

Diversity

- Minnehaha Academy seeks to have a student body that reflects the diversity of the Twin Cities metropolitan area. Coming from different ethnic, socioeconomic, and religious backgrounds, Minnehaha Academy is guided by the school's belief in and commitment to the equality of all persons before God.
- 21% – Students of color
- Director of Diversity on staff
- Support groups for students of color in Middle and Upper schools and a student-led diversity club encourage multicultural friendships
- Students and faculty represent more than 30 denominational backgrounds

Financial Aid

- \$1.8 million – Total scholarship aid awarded by Minnehaha Academy in 2010–2011
- 24% – Minnehaha students who received scholarship aid in the 2010–11 school year

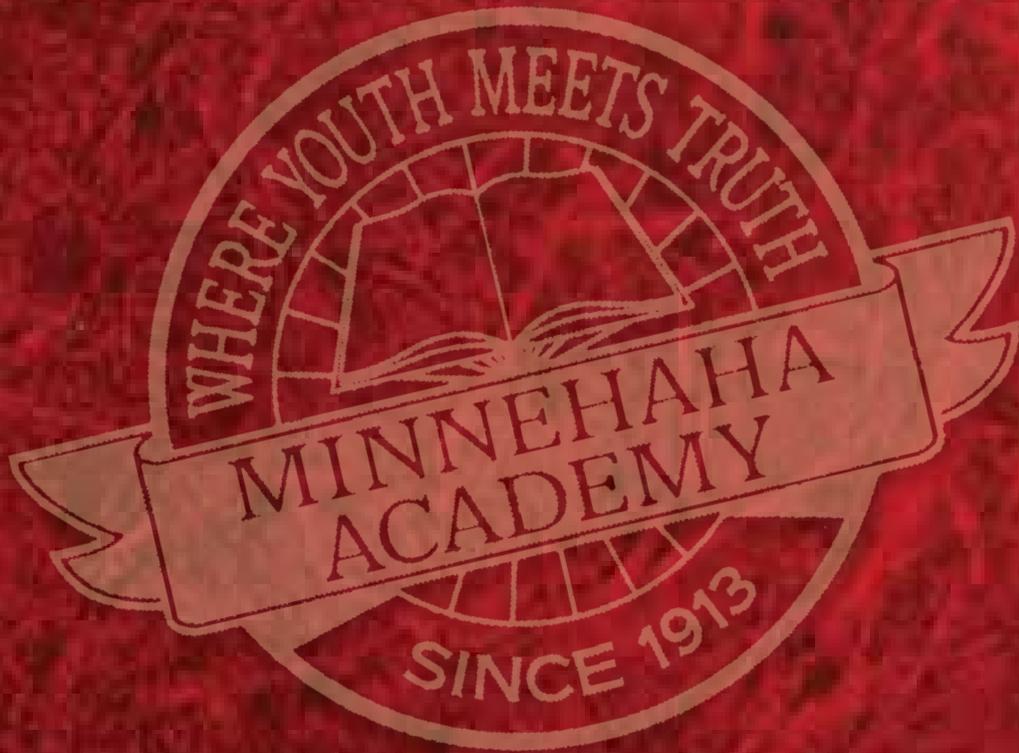
Current Enrollment & Class Size

- Approximately 1,000 – Students enrolled in PreK through grade 12
- 18 to 24 – Average PreK through grade 12 class size



“The teachers at Minnehaha challenged me to do my best and compete with other Chinese students at a national level.”

— Peter, '12, 3rd Place Winner in the Sixth Annual United States High School Chinese Speech Contest



Minnehaha Academy offers bus transportation on various routes throughout the metro area

- Arden Hills
- Bloomington
- Brooklyn Park
- Burnsville
- Eagan
- Eden Prairie
- Edina
- Minneapolis
- Minnetonka
- Plymouth
- Roseville
- St. Paul

Student Representation by City (2010-2011 school year)

Minneapolis	373
St. Paul	165
Eden Prairie	58
Eagan	51
Bloomington	40
Burnsville	36
Edina	23
Minnetonka	22
Inver Grove Heights	19
Plymouth	19
Brooklyn Park	16
Mendota Heights	15
Woodbury	13
Falcon Heights	12
Apple Valley	11
Other (50 metro cities)	176

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