



Springwood School is an Independent, College and Career Preparatory Day and International Boarding School located on a 46-acre campus in Lanett, AL. The school currently has 285 students, grades K4-12, including 31 international students from seven countries with 21 students living in the school's International House. On September 1, 2020, Springwood will be celebrating its 50th year of college preparatory academic excellence, fine arts, and athletic programs for K4 through 12th-grade students.

Springwood School is accredited by SAIS, SACS, and AdvancED (Cognia). The school is located just 2 miles from Georgia and serves students from both states, holding memberships in Alabama Independent School Association (AISA) and Georgia Independent School Association (GISA). The school's programs are open to qualified students of all races, creeds, and ethnic origins. As a college and career preparatory school, Springwood is a school run by Christian leaders dedicated to providing quality education in a nurturing environment, focusing on mind, body, and spiritual development.

Springwood School began in 1970 under the direction of the Chattahoochee Valley Educational Foundation and began operation with one classroom building and an enrollment of 161 students in grades 1-9. In each of the next three years, another grade was added. In 1971, the school added a gymnasium/classroom building. Growth continued with a high school building and the first graduating class of 22 students in 1973. Springwood added a kindergarten program and building in 1974, and a stadium in 1981. In 1985 a child development program and the Fine Arts Center were added, providing more opportunities for students in the areas of drama, art, music, and technology. A Primary School building was built in 1993, with a capacity of 120 children. In 1998 the Child Development Center opened with a capacity of 180 students. Baseball and softball fields were built in 2000. In 2017 Springwood renovated the Primary School building into an International Student Residence, which opened in August of 2018 with a capacity for 32 students and staff. Our International House has separate male and female living areas, including common areas for dining, studying, and relaxation.

Springwood School is entering its 50th year of impacting the community as an award-winning college preparatory school focusing on mind, body, and spiritual development. As we move into our next 50 years, Springwood is expanding its boundaries to include preparing our students for:

- * jobs that have not yet been created.
- * technology that has not yet been invented.
- * problems that have not yet been identified.

At Springwood, the Intelligence Quotient (IQ) of each student is supported by the rigor of our education. Springwood's traditions in and out of the classroom are at the core of the Springwood mission. Our students are prepared for the colleges of their choice, evidenced by our last wave of graduates receiving academic scholarships to Auburn University, Georgia Tech, Tulane, Emory, University of Alabama, UGA, MIT, the Air Force Academy, Texas A&M, Clemson, and more. The rigor is at a level where students thrive, not just survive, at the next level of education.

But is that enough? In K4-12 education, we must prepare our students for life, not just how to make good grades. Most studies now refer to the EQ (Emotional Quotient) as being the most critical factor in a child's future success in their career and life. Springwood is on the leading edge of evaluating and nurturing the emotional intelligence of each child. He or she will receive age-appropriate personality and career aptitude tests at each grade level. Yes, that means a third grader might already know from his assessment that their keen eye for detail and quick completion of addition will steer them towards being an accountant, and with



the leadership skills gained from Springwood, they may become a CFO. Every step that a student makes is in harmony with the skills and natural ability he already possesses.

In 2020 and beyond, Springwood will have an opportunity for each child to become a leader according to his ability. Springwood Ambassadors might be your child's wish, to serve as a tour guide for our campus or creating themes for Homecoming Week. Maybe your child is curious about politics and begins writing about current affairs and starts a school newspaper. Each student WILL identify their natural abilities and experience an in-school internship according to their talents and interests. Your child will begin resume-building in Middle School and, more importantly, will find confidence in developing what they do best.

Our college preparatory rigor and our focus on career preparation is unique to Springwood School making us a smart educational choice. But there is one more aspect to Springwood that may delineate us from any other K-12 campus. When you drive into Springwood School, reminiscent of a college campus, you may feel what many of our own students have described as a "sense of peace." The long, southern pine-covered drive is a preview of the quiet confidence our teachers have in the classroom, a confidence supported by our school's history of achieving excellence for 50 years. We invite you to consider joining our community to develop students into leaders of impact and significance.

Local History

Lanett, Alabama, established in 1895 anchored by the vast Lanett Mill, which began textiles operations in 1894. Today, the mill has been dismantled brick by historic brick, freeing up valuable commercial land along the Chattahoochee River in the Greater Valley area's burgeoning economy.

Lanett is one of three communities along with West Point, GA, and Valley, AL, that comprise the region known as "**The Valley**". The Valley was home to a thriving textile industry, which began shortly after the Civil War, eventually becoming the headquarters for West Point Pepperell, which moved abroad in the late 1980s and early 1990s. Today the Valley's attractiveness is its access to Interstate 85, which provides an easy drive to Atlanta and the Atlanta airport to the north and Montgomery, AL to the south. The Chattahoochee River runs through the middle of the community attracting kayakers, canoeists, and fishermen. The area is ringed by a series of lakes that provide abundant fishing, boating, hunting, and a robust outdoor environment. Calloway Gardens, President Roosevelt's Summer White House and Great Wolfe Lodge tourist attractions are within a ½ hour drive from the school and are popular sites for our local residents as well. The Valley along with Phoenix City, AL, has another unique characteristic since it is located in the Eastern Time Zone rather than the Central Time Zone like the rest of Alabama.

West Point, Georgia, established on the banks of the Chattahoochee River in 1832, was historically the headquarters of the area's dominant textile industry established just after the Civil War. West Point's history also includes being the location of one of the last battles of the Civil War. West Point is now the home to Kia Motors Manufacturing – Kia's first U.S. plant and Point University, a four year fully accredited Private Christian University.

Valley, Alabama, was incorporated on May 20, 1980, uniting the four towns, Fairfax, Langdale, Riverview, and Shawmut, which were built around textile mills owned by the giant textile corporation, West Point Stevens.