VALWOOD SCHOOL

JOHN L. DAVIS, SR.

Head of School

CHAD GALLAHAN

Upper School Dean

KATHERINE ROSS

Director of College Guidance kross@valwood.org

VAL GALLAHAN

Registrar vgallahan@valwood.org Valwood School 4380 Old US Highway 41 North Hahira, GA 31632

Main Office: 229.242.8491

Fax: 229.245.7894

CFFB: 113096

2025-2026 SCHOOL PROFILE

VALWOOD BY THE NUMBERS

57

Number of students enrolled in the class of 2026

100

Percentage of juniors that complete week-long internship

11,000+

The amount of service hours earned by Upper School students in the 2024-2025 academic year.

2

Number of different College Trips offered to underclassmen each year.

84

Percentage of Upper School students that participated in 1 or more of the 19 different sports offered in 2024-25 school year

ABOUT VALWOOD

Founded in 1968, Valwood School is an independent, co-educational, college-preparatory day school serving over 400 students in grades Pre-K through 12. Since 2002, the school has been located on a scenic 45-acre campus in Hahira, Georgia, just north of Valdosta, the state's tenth-largest city, with a population of approximately 55,000. Situated in south-central Georgia, Valwood is approximately 22 miles from the Florida state line.

Valwood School is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS). It is also a proud member of the Georgia Independent School Association (GISA), the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) and The College Board.

VAI WOOD'S MISSION

As an independent, college preparatory school, Valwood School's mission is to instill in its students an enthusiasm for academic excellence, the foundations of a strong character, and a commitment to serve others.

GRADE POINT AVERAGE & CLASS RANK

- Grades earned in all subjects are used to determine a student's weighted cumulative GPA.
- Valwood varsity sports and Health grades are transcripted as P/F (Pass/Fail).
- Courses taken at previous schools are not included in the Valwood GPA.
- Courses taken in 8th grade, vocational, and IE (developmental) courses are not awarded Valwood credit.
- VALWOOD SCHOOL DOES NOT REPORT STUDENT RANK.

CLASS OF 2026 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS 22 CREDIT)	
English	4	World Language 2		
Mathematics	4	Fine Arts 1		
Speech and Advanced Composition (.5 each)	1	Health and Personal Fitness/Team Sports _(5 each) 1		
Science	4	Additional Electives 2		
Social Science	3	20 hours of community service annually		
All enrolled students take .5 credit of Composition annually.				

2022-2026 COURSES OF STUDY

ENGLISH

English I English I - H Enalish II English II - H

English III AP Language and Composition

English IV AP Literature and Composition

Composition I Composition II* Composition III*

Advanced Composition* ENGL 1101 & ENGL 1102

SCIENCE

Physics - H

Biology Chemistry Chemistry - H

Environmental Science AP Environmental Science Anatomy & Physiology - H

15 AP Courses 11 Honors Courses

MATH

Geometry Geometry - H Algebra I Algebra II Algebra II - H Precalculus - H AP Precalculus Calculus MATH 1111 MATH 1113

AP Calculus AB

AP Statistics+

World Geography+ AP Human Geography+ World History AP World History AP US History Economics* US Government* ECON 1101 POLS 1101 PSYC 1101+

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Spanish II Spanish II - H Spanish III - H+ AP Spanish+ SPAN 1001+ SPAN 1002+

OTHER ELECTIVES

Health* Advanced Conditioning*

VALWOOD-SPECIFIC CORE ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Mathematics - Geometry, Pre Calculus, Algebra II, 1 elective

Science - Biology, Chemistry, 2 electives

Social Science - World History, US History, US Govt,

2025 COLLEGE PLACEMENT TESTING

ACT	Mid 50%	Mean
Composite	22-29	26
English	23-28	26.6
Math	21-27	25.3
Reading	22-28	26.8
Science	24-26	24.9
STEM	23-27	25.4
SAT		
Total	1040-1350	1201
Mathematics	510-690	588
Math	24-32	28
EBRW	550-670	613
Reading	25-32	29

AP Biology+ Pre-AP Biology AP Chemistry+ **Physics**

FINE ARTS OPTIONS Intro to Art*

2D Art* 3D Art* AP 2D Art

Beginner Piano* Music* Adv Studio Art* Music History* Dynamic Comm.*

Dual Enrollment

Courses

AP Microeconomics

AP US Government

Photography* Vocal* Photojournalism* Adv Vocal* Music Appreciation* Social Media 101* Literary Vocal* Yearbook* Drama Sports Film* Adv Drama*

Literary Drama* academic elective

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Valwood encourages all students to pursue a rigorous academic curriculum. Academic history, teacher recommendations and College Board "AP Potential" are considered when placing students in advanced courses, but any student who desires to take an AP course is typically permitted to do so.

Valwood's schedule allows students to take 1 AP course during their Freshman year, 2 AP courses during their sophomore year, 4 AP courses during their junior year, & 6 AP courses during their senior year.

Although 15 AP courses are offered, Valwood considers 10 AP courses or more (with appropriate Honors prerequisites) to be the most rigorous course load.

Five-Year Score	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Total AP Students	86	90	88	97	95
Number of Exams	177	167	143	179	183
Students with Scores 3+	49	58	54	69	58
% Total with Scores 3+	57	64	61	71	61

May 2025 AP Tests	C/O 2025	Valwood
Students Tested	12	95
No. of Exams	108	183
AP Scholar	5	20
AP Scholar w/Honor	0	2
AP Scholar w/Distinction	7	13

AP COURSES OFFERED

2-D Art and Design Calculus AB Chemistry

Environmental Science Language and Composition Literature and Composition

US Government & Politics

COLLEGE MATRICULATION (2021 - 2025)

Students	215		
Four-Year College	89%		
Two-Year College	9%		
Military Service	1%		
Employment	1%		



GRADE SCALE

Numeric Grade	College Preparatory (CP)	Honors (H)	Advanced Placement (AP)
90 - 100	4.0	4.5	5.0
85 - 89	3.5	4.0	4.5
80 - 84	3.0	3.5	4.0
75 - 79	2.5	3.0	3.5
70 - 74	2.0	2.5	3.0
65 - 69	1.0	1.5	2.0
<65	0.0	0.0	0.0

SELECTED COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES FOR RECENT VALWOOD GRADUATES (2021 - 2025)

MIDWEST

BETHEL UNIVERSITY CARLETON COLLEGE CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY DENISON UNIVERSITY

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY **UNIVERSITY of MICHIGAN** UNIVERSITY of NOTRE DAME

NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

WEST

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY **OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY** PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY **UNIVERSITY of MONTANA UNIVERSITY of UTAH**

NORTHEAST

AMHERST COLLEGE BOSTON COLLEGE **BOWDOIN COLLEGE** CORNELL UNIVERSITY DARTMOUTH COLLEGE HAVERFORD COLLEGE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY of VIRGINIA

LIBERTY UNIVERSITY MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE of the HOLY CROSS PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY WASHINGTON & LEE UNIVERSITY PRINCETON UNIVERSITY ST JOHN'S UNIVERSITY GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA UNIVERSITY of RICHMOND

U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY VIRGINIA TECH WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY **WILLIAM & MARY** WILLIAMS COLLEGE YALE UNIVERSITY



BAYLOR UNIVERSITY SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY COLLEGE of the OZARKS TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY DALLAS BAPTIST UNIVERSITY LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY of KANSAS UNIVERSITY of OKLAHOMA NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

SOUTHEAST

APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY **AUBURN UNIVERSITY** AUSTIN PEAY STATE UNIVERSITY **BELMONT UNIVERSITY BERRY COLLEGE BRENAU COLLEGE** CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY **CLEMSON UNIVERSITY COLLEGE of CHARLESTON** COVENANT COLLEGE **DUKE UNIVERSITY** FLON UNIVERSITY EMBRY-RIDDLE AERONAUTICAL UNIV. LIPSCOMB UNIVERSITY **EMMANUEL UNIVERSITY**

EMORY LINIVERSITY FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY FLORIDA INSTITUTE of TECHNOLOGY FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY FORT VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY **FURMAN UNIVERSITY** GEORGIA COLLEGE & STATE UNIVERSITY GEORGIA INSTITUTE of TECHNOLOGY GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY LENOIR-RHYNE UNIVERSITY LYNN UNIVERSITY

MERCER LINIVERSITY MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY MOREHOUSE COLLEGE NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY of MIAMI OGLETHORPE UNIVERSITY PIEDMONT UNIVERSITY PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE QUEENS UNIVERSITY of CHARLOTTE **RHODES COLLEGE** SAMFORD UNIVERSITY SAVANNAH COLLEGE of ART & DESIGN SEWANEE: THE UNIVERSITY of THE SOUTH WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY STETSON UNIVERSITY TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY of ALABAMA UNIVERSITY of FLORIDA UNIVERSITY of GEORGIA UNIVERSITY of MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY of NORTH CAROLINA UNIVERSITY of SOUTH CAROLINA UNIVERSITY of SOUTH FLORIDA **UNIVERSITY of TAMPA** UNIVERSITY of TENNESSEE VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY WOFFORD COLLEGE YOUNG HARRIS COLLEGE