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A DIVISION OF  
ELITE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

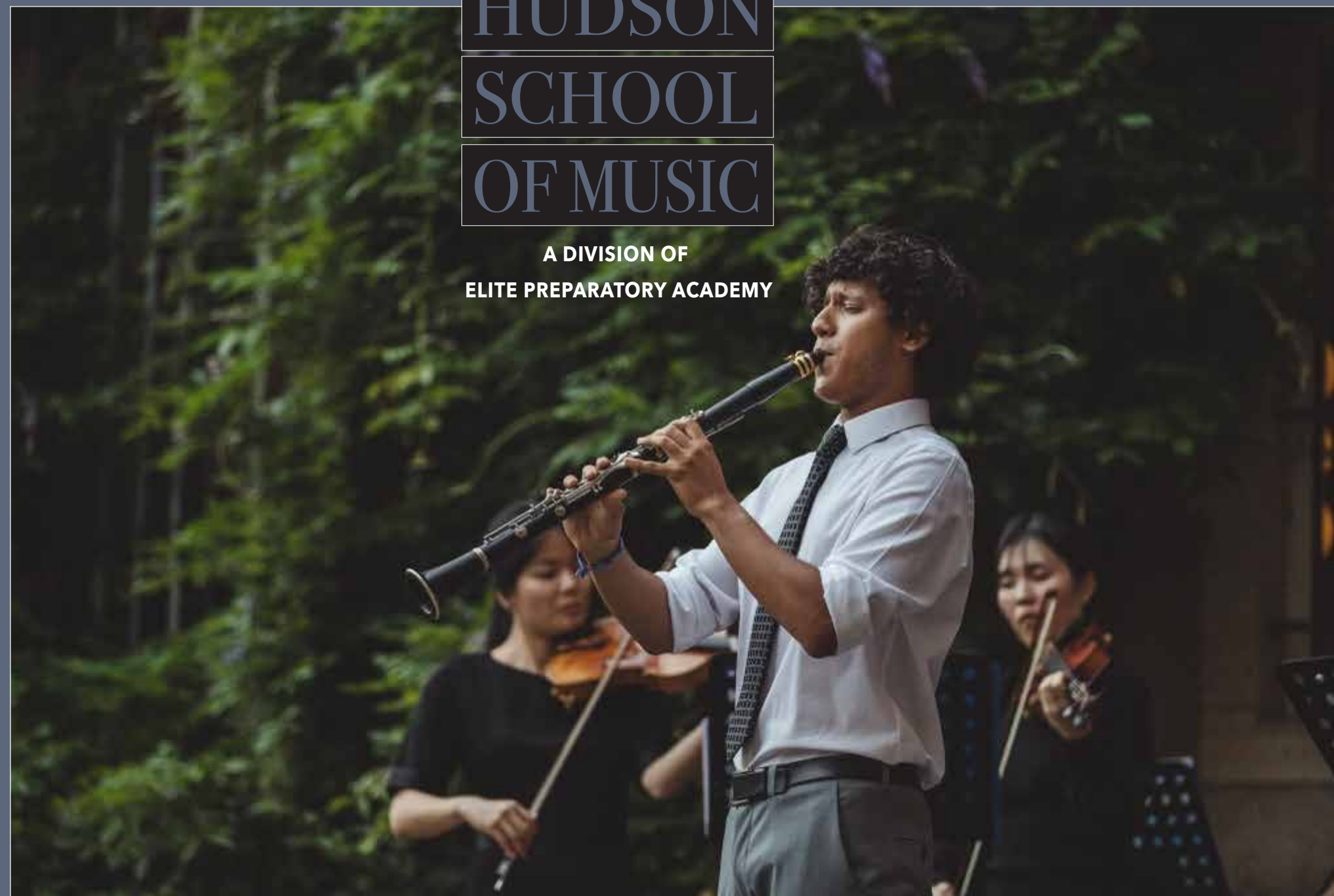
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# MUSIC

*Through exceptional music education,  
our students forge their unique paths  
of artistry, intelligence and creativity,  
forever shaping the future.*

# ABOUT US

## WHO WE ARE

Hudson School of Music is an independent, Liberal Arts, boarding and day school for children and young adults ages 14-18, offering academic excellence for 8th through 12th grades. Our robust academic curriculum is complemented by an unparalleled training in music and visual arts. Falling under the Elite Preparatory Academy umbrella, Hudson School of Music nurtures the natural talents of our students from a very young age. An extensive music education is the core of our mission, our students learn discipline, commitment, and appreciation for beauty. Our exceptional faculty offers students the most comprehensive music program in the world.

# OUR MISSION

## WHAT WE DO

We inspire and cultivate the potential within every student through an exceptional music education syllabus. We empower them to become mature, well-rounded adults – musicians, artists, scientists even, and utilize their knowledge to shape the future.

# FACULTY

## SELECTION CREDENTIALS

HSM's low student-teacher ratio enables our exceptional faculty to maximize individual attention. HSM teachers are carefully selected from a pool of diverse talents direct from the heart of New York. Our criteria in this selection process is simple. Their tenure with us is based on credentials, experience, understanding of teaching and learning, passion for their craft, and their ability to serve as positive mentors to malleable young minds.

# STEM EDUCATION MODEL

## SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, MATHEMATICS

The Hudson School of Music curriculum is based on a diverse liberal arts program. The STEM model has one focus; that all students achieve their full vocational potential. Our student body can anticipate a user-friendly college application process, based on this reliable approach to education. The result is a proven track record for acceptance into top Ivy League colleges and music schools.

Check out these statistics:

- 6:1 ▶ STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO
- 10 ▶ COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES PER STUDENT
- 20 ▶ ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES
- 60% ▶ STUDENTS RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIPS
- 90% ▶ ADMITTED TO TOP 100 COLLEGES

# THE MUSIC PROGRAM

MUSIC FOCUS GRADES 8-12

BRASS / WOODWIND

PERCUSSION

PIANO

STRINGS

CLASSICAL

MODERN

WORLD

## 5 YEAR CONCENTRATION

### Music Performance

This department strives for performance excellence from the minute we meet the student. We offer a program that encompasses the playing of all musical instruments, emphasizing sound awareness, confidence, and innate talent. We encourage all musicians to participate in competitions, to build up their resume. Students will perform on the renowned stages of NYC (such as Lincoln Center and Carnegie Hall) in a range of ensemble programs.

### Music Theory

Our comprehensive study of the fundamental elements that construct and govern the language of music, including notes, scales, chords, rhythm, melody, harmony, and form. Music theory serves as a set of rules and guidelines that musicians use to create, analyze, and interpret music.

### Ear Training

One of the most valuable things students can do as musicians is improve their aural skills with ear training. Spending time regularly developing a musical ear will fast track skills as a musician and give a whole new appreciation when listening to music as well. Young musicians learn various aural skills to detect and identify pitches, intervals, melody, chords, rhythms, solfeges, and other basic elements of music, solely by hearing.

### Sight Reading

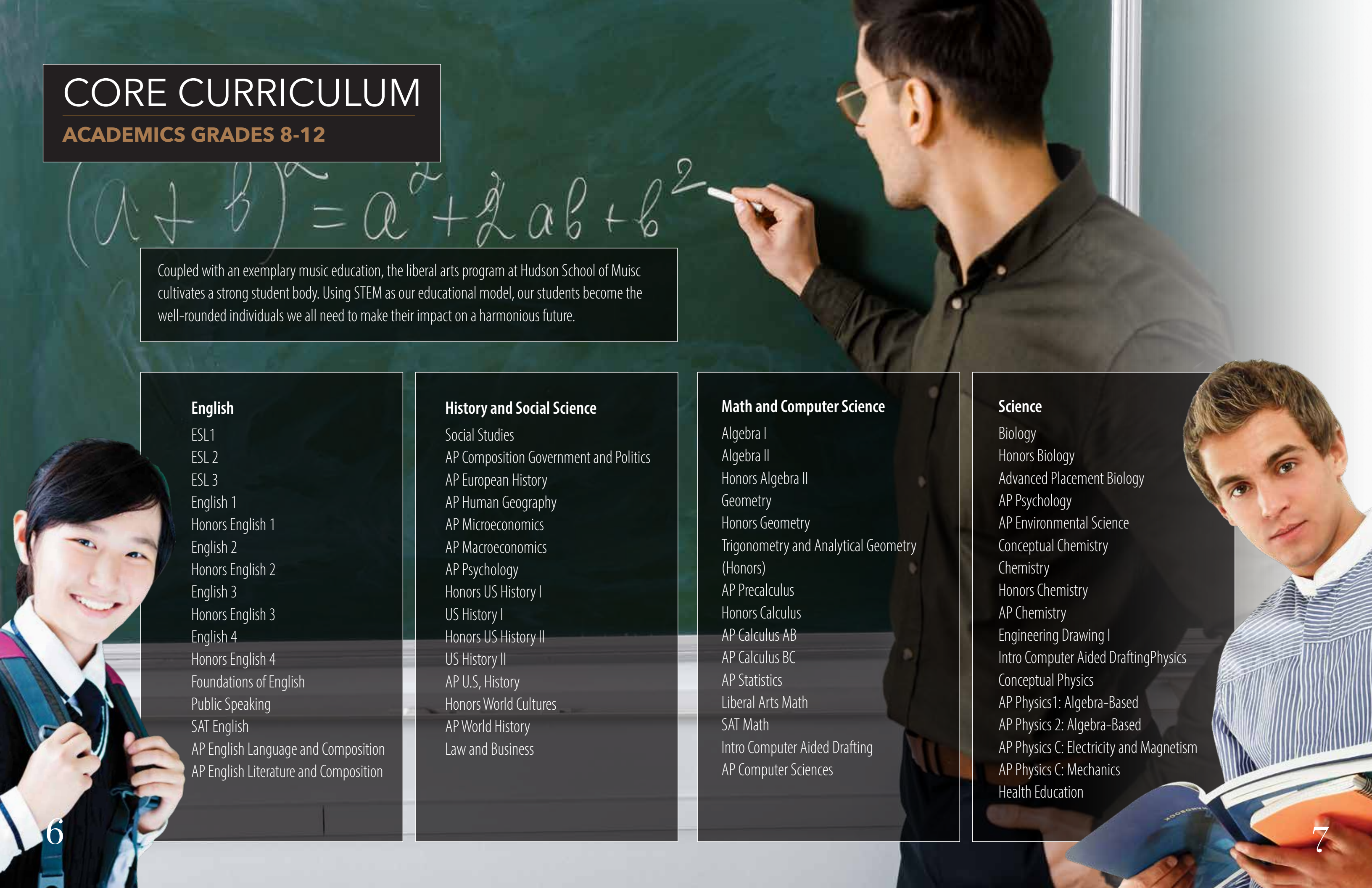
Students develop the ability to read and perform instrumental and vocal music at first sight, which involves converting musical information from sight to sound. This practice requires the musician to play or sing the notated rhythms and pitches, eventually allowing the student to perform a piece in a music notation that they have not seen or learned before.

### Ensemble Training

This area of study focuses primarily on the interaction and relationships amongst a group of musicians. We prepare our students in both hands-on and live settings, performing all genres of musical theater. Based on the interest of the student, this course of study can include, but is not limited to, classical, jazz, and modern, providing a full spectrum of the performance experience.

# CORE CURRICULUM

## ACADEMICS GRADES 8-12

A teacher in a dark shirt and glasses is writing the quadratic formula  $(a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$  on a green chalkboard with a white chalk. The background shows a classroom setting with a student in the foreground on the left and another student on the right.
$$(a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

Coupled with an exemplary music education, the liberal arts program at Hudson School of Music cultivates a strong student body. Using STEM as our educational model, our students become the well-rounded individuals we all need to make their impact on a harmonious future.

### English

ESL 1  
ESL 2  
ESL 3  
English 1  
Honors English 1  
English 2  
Honors English 2  
English 3  
Honors English 3  
English 4  
Honors English 4  
Foundations of English  
Public Speaking  
SAT English  
AP English Language and Composition  
AP English Literature and Composition

### History and Social Science

Social Studies  
AP Composition Government and Politics  
AP European History  
AP Human Geography  
AP Microeconomics  
AP Macroeconomics  
AP Psychology  
Honors US History I  
US History I  
Honors US History II  
US History II  
AP U.S. History  
Honors World Cultures  
AP World History  
Law and Business

### Math and Computer Science

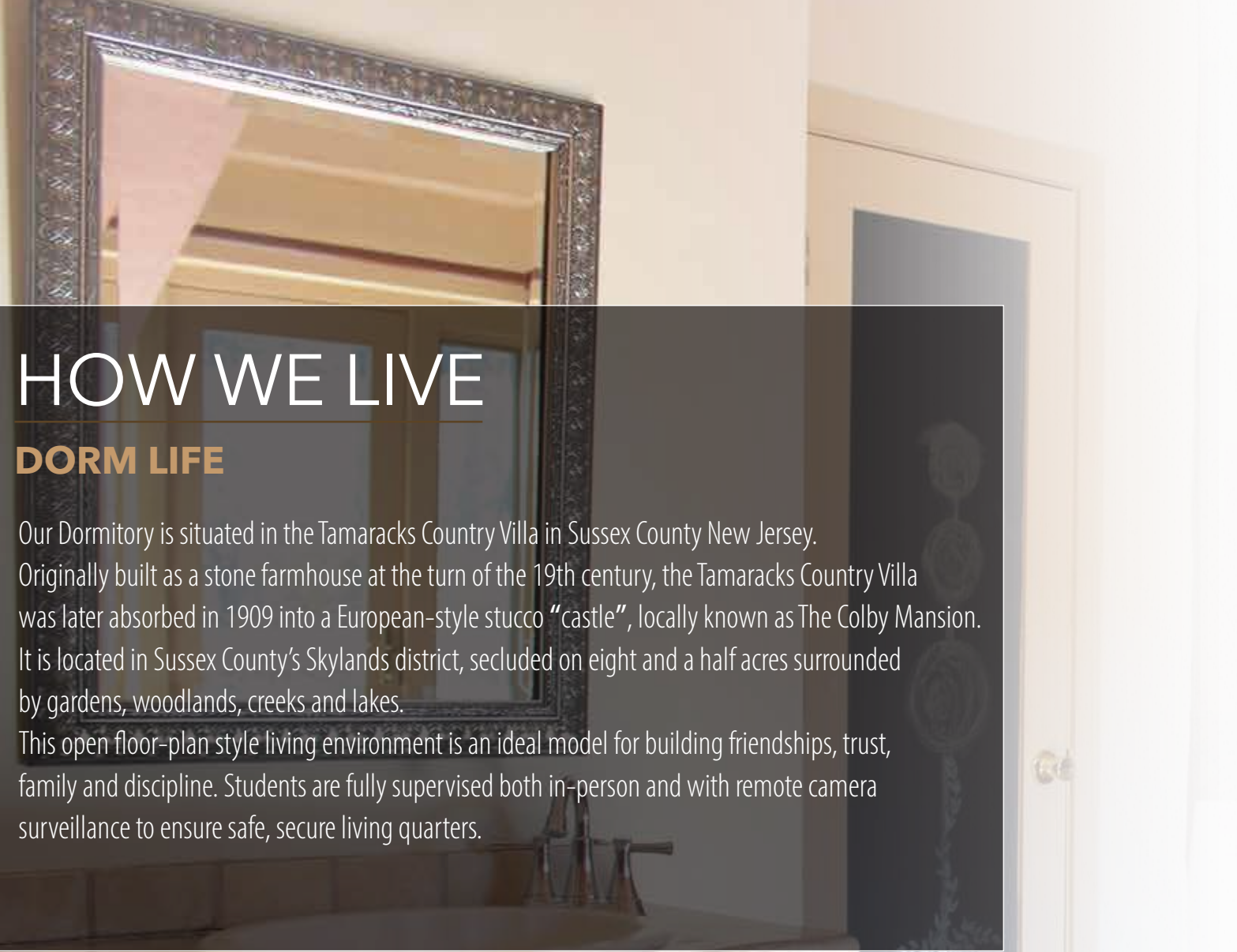
Algebra I  
Algebra II  
Honors Algebra II  
Geometry  
Honors Geometry  
Trigonometry and Analytical Geometry (Honors)  
AP Precalculus  
Honors Calculus  
AP Calculus AB  
AP Calculus BC  
AP Statistics  
Liberal Arts Math  
SAT Math  
Intro Computer Aided Drafting  
AP Computer Sciences

### Science

Biology  
Honors Biology  
Advanced Placement Biology  
AP Psychology  
AP Environmental Science  
Conceptual Chemistry  
Chemistry  
Honors Chemistry  
AP Chemistry  
Engineering Drawing I  
Intro Computer Aided Drafting  
Physics  
Conceptual Physics  
AP Physics 1: Algebra-Based  
AP Physics 2: Algebra-Based  
AP Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism  
AP Physics C: Mechanics  
Health Education

# STUDENT LIFE

## HOW WE LIVE



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## DORM LIFE

Our Dormitory is situated in the Tamaracks Country Villa in Sussex County New Jersey. Originally built as a stone farmhouse at the turn of the 19th century, the Tamaracks Country Villa was later absorbed in 1909 into a European-style stucco “castle”, locally known as The Colby Mansion. It is located in Sussex County’s Skylands district, secluded on eight and a half acres surrounded by gardens, woodlands, creeks and lakes. This open floor-plan style living environment is an ideal model for building friendships, trust, family and discipline. Students are fully supervised both in-person and with remote camera surveillance to ensure safe, secure living quarters.



# EXTRA CURRICULAR

**BALANCE IS THE KEY**

Our Extra Curricular activities offer a well-rounded, rich educational experience. Students are encouraged to participate in a variety of groups that challenge both mind and body.

A sampling of our activities include:

- Tennis, Basketball, Ping Pong
- Golf
- Marching Band
- Violin Club
- Cello Club
- Science Club
- Lego Robotics
- STEAM Young Innovators Club

- Student Government
- Athletics
- Academy Newspaper
- Freelance Photography
- Powerful Podcasting Club
- Drama Club featuring works by great international and American playwrights, musicals and original works

