

PART 1 • GUIDEBOOK



**Woodberry**  
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# Uncommon

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**T**his is not a school for the average boy. This is for those who seek. For those who want something else, something more. Those who measure themselves on their experiences, and those who recognize the value of distinction.

This is a brotherhood. A team. A league of explorers, finding old traditions and new paths across a campus designed for discovery.

This is all-boys, all-boarding, and entirely unlike any other high school in the world. This is living with honor, playing with integrity, and learning with the support of friends, teachers, and mentors. This is a community built on connections that last a lifetime. An uncommon experience, and an experience held in common.

**This is Woodberry.**



IN EVERY  
**Adventure**

**W**e want you to be the very best version of yourself, so we teach you to work with purpose, lead through service, and help others do their very best.



**INTEGRITY**



**ADAPTABILITY**



**ACCOUNTABILITY**



**CURIOSITY**



**EMPATHY**

**At the heart of the Woodberry experience is our shared honor system.**

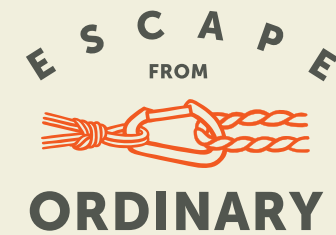
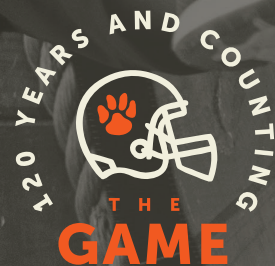
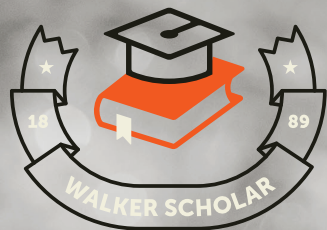
It is the lens through which we view the world, and it is the defining mark of a Woodberry education. Integrity, adaptability, accountability, curiosity, empathy — these are not abstract notions here. Woodberry students enter a community dedicated to preserving and nurturing this pursuit, where everyone feels safe, supported, and treated with respect.

# A League OF Explorers

## What will you find at Woodberry?

The exchange of ideas that expands your mind.  
The support system that gives you the confidence  
to try something new. A community of seekers  
on a quest for discovery across 1,200 acres  
of choose-your-own adventure. Classmates,  
roommates, bandmates, lab partners, fishing  
buddies, and friends for life.

Woodberry gives you the freedom to explore  
and a structured schedule to help you focus.  
We create spaces where you can take risks,  
discuss new ideas, and learn through hands-on  
experimentation. In Woodberry's community of  
learners, you'll be encouraged and inspired in your  
academic, athletic, artistic, and extracurricular  
pursuits. There's no limit to what's possible here,  
and no telling what kind of adventures you'll  
uncover together.





# Fast Facts

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**Y**ou are the sum of your experiences. Setbacks and victories. Every conflict overcome, every decision braved, every friendship made, is another entry in your lifetime of unique achievements. Each milestone adds a new layer to your story — distinguishing you from the rest.

Woodberry Forest School is designed to encourage boys in their pursuit of excellence. Informed by more than a century of practical experience, we

aim to ignite and reward curiosity inside the classroom and beyond. This mission — to prepare our students for the future by providing a thorough, balanced education — is woven into every aspect of life on campus, and it helps Woodberry boys stand out from the crowd.

BOARDING  
**395**  
STUDENTS

STATES  
25  
COUNTRIES  
25

SPORTS  
18  
TEAMS  
2

CLUBS AND  
36  
ORGANIZATIONS

STUDENT-TO-FACULTY  
**6:1**  
RATIO

DARE TO BE

# Different

Woodberry is designed to give students an intentionally structured, deliberate rhythm of life largely free from the distractions of the world.

We believe that hard work is always worth doing, but we make sure that our campus is not a pressure cooker. We're focused on creating a supportive community that fosters collaboration and encourages the free exchange of ideas. This is what sets us apart: more than 130 years of doing things differently — learning, competing,

and living alongside friends and mentors, in a community custom-built for exactly that purpose.

Students come to Woodberry from all over the world — with many different interests and perspectives — but they leave with the shared experience of their time spent together. The connections made here are transformative, and the lessons learned will guide and inspire you throughout your life. Woodberry boys grow into men of distinction, and together you'll do great things in the world.





# Known

LEAVE  
UNTURNE

**W**oodberry is a community of lifelong learners, where everyone — from first-year students to experienced faculty — is committed to staying curious about the world around them.

We not only teach the big stuff, like conceptual physics and grammar, but also the small stuff, like table manners and time management. We teach you how to think, not what to think.

Our all-boarding environment also affords easy access to faculty. Our teachers are available far beyond normal school hours, and they act as mentors, coaches, club leaders, and role models.

Our graduation requirements are designed to ground and challenge students in the core academic subjects while giving them room to explore new interests and pursue a wide range of electives.

## Senior Distinction

During your final marking period, you'll be invited to create a unique capstone project to present to the school community. Follow your passion and make your mark before you graduate.

RECENT  
EXAMPLES  
INCLUDE ▶



The creation of a campus honey bee colony



An original one-act play



Building a self-solving Rubik's Cube

## Study Abroad

Explore the world beyond our campus. Woodberry offers a variety of spring break and summer study abroad opportunities, each designed to provide immersive learning experiences in a new culture or academic discipline. Recent programs have traveled to Central America, China, Spain, England, the Galápagos Islands, and the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in Scotland.

## Typical Day

Our curriculum adapts as our students grow. For third and fourth formers, short daily sessions engage the imagination and allow for consistent exposure to key concepts in each academic discipline. Fifth and sixth formers follow a schedule that more closely matches what students experience in college. Their classes generally meet three times a week in longer sessions designed to encourage group discussion, project-based learning, and deeper engagement with each subject. A chart comparing these key schedule differences can be found on the following page.

# Typical Day



## TYPICAL THIRD-FORM (FRESHMAN) DAY

SPANISH	8
ENGLISH	9
CONSULTATION PERIOD	10
CONCEPTUAL PHYSICS	11
INTRO TO ART	11
LUNCH	12
HISTORY CLASS: STORIES AND HISTORIES	1
GEOMETRY	2
STUDY SKILLS TIME	3
AFTERNOON ACTIVITY Sports, drama, or other activities like debate and Model UN.	4
SEATED MEAL	6
CLUB MEETINGS AND FREE TIME	7
STUDY HALL Third formers study in dorm rooms or classrooms under the supervision of faculty members who are available to help with homework questions.	8
LIGHTS OUT	12

## TYPICAL SIXTH-FORM (SENIOR) DAY

HONORS ENGLISH: WAR AND PEACE IN FACT AND FICTION	8
CONSULTATION PERIOD	10
HONORS CALCULUS BC	11
LUNCH	12
ENGINEERING A hands-on course that focuses on solving real-world problems.	1
CALIPHS AND KINGS A history elective focused on the interaction between Western and Islamic worlds.	2
AFTERNOON ACTIVITY Sports, drama, or other activities like debate and Model UN.	4
SEATED MEAL	6
CLUB MEETINGS AND FREE TIME	7
STUDY TIME Sixth formers don't have required study hall and are trusted to manage their own time and prepare for classes.	8
LIGHTS OUT	12

## UNCOMMONLY

# Prepared

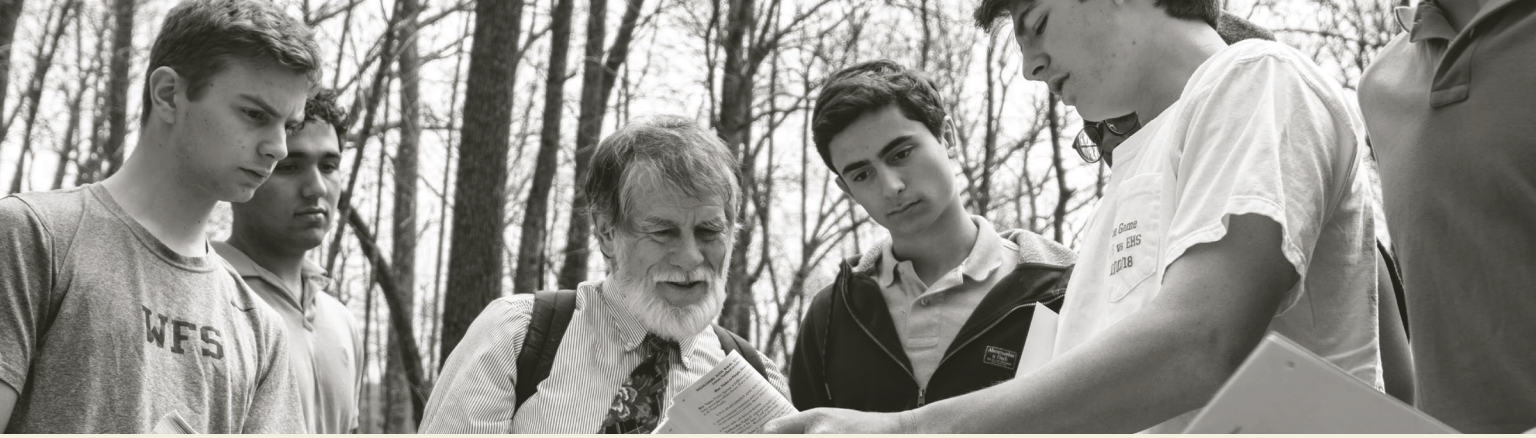
The moment you arrive at Woodberry Forest School, you'll begin preparing for college. Even the choice to study at Woodberry is a significant step toward a successful higher education, as it ensures you'll be an applicant of distinction.

All students benefit from college counseling throughout their four years at Woodberry, culminating with one-on-one assistance as they apply to schools in their final sixth-form year.

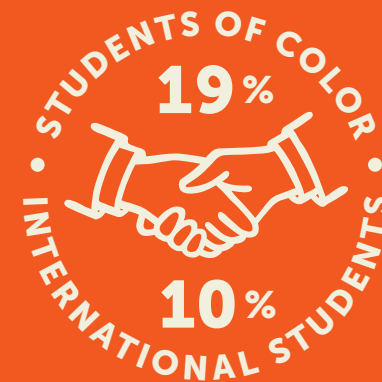


- College of William & Mary
- Columbia University
- Dartmouth College
- Davidson College
- Dickinson College
- Duke University
- Elon University
- Georgetown University
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- Lehigh University
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)
- Middlebury College
- New York University
- Northwestern University
- Sewanee: The University of the South
- Southern Methodist University
- Stanford University
- Tufts University
- United States Military Academy
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of Chicago
- University of Georgia
- University of North Carolina
- University of Southern California
- University of Virginia
- Vanderbilt University
- Wake Forest University
- Washington & Lee University





# Fast Facts



# THIS IS NOT A Solo Mission

**T**his is a brotherhood built for becoming. The relationships you form at Woodberry will last a lifetime, and the connections you make will propel you into the future.

Upon graduation, you'll join one of the strongest, most active, and most engaged alumni networks in the world. And, because a Woodberry education is an uncommon experience held in common, you'll find that you share traditions and memories with alumni from across generations and around the world.

## Connected for Life

All Woodberry students and alumni gain access to our private networking community, Woodberry Connect.

Woodberry Connect allows you to stay in touch with old classmates while utilizing the trusted Woodberry Forest School environment to expand your professional network.

MORE THAN **6,500** LIVING ALUMNI

## Tuition Assistance

- \$6.4 million in tuition assistance awarded annually
- 44% of current students receive tuition assistance
- \$5,000 to \$58,950 | Range of financial grants awarded
- \$36,117 | Average grant awarded

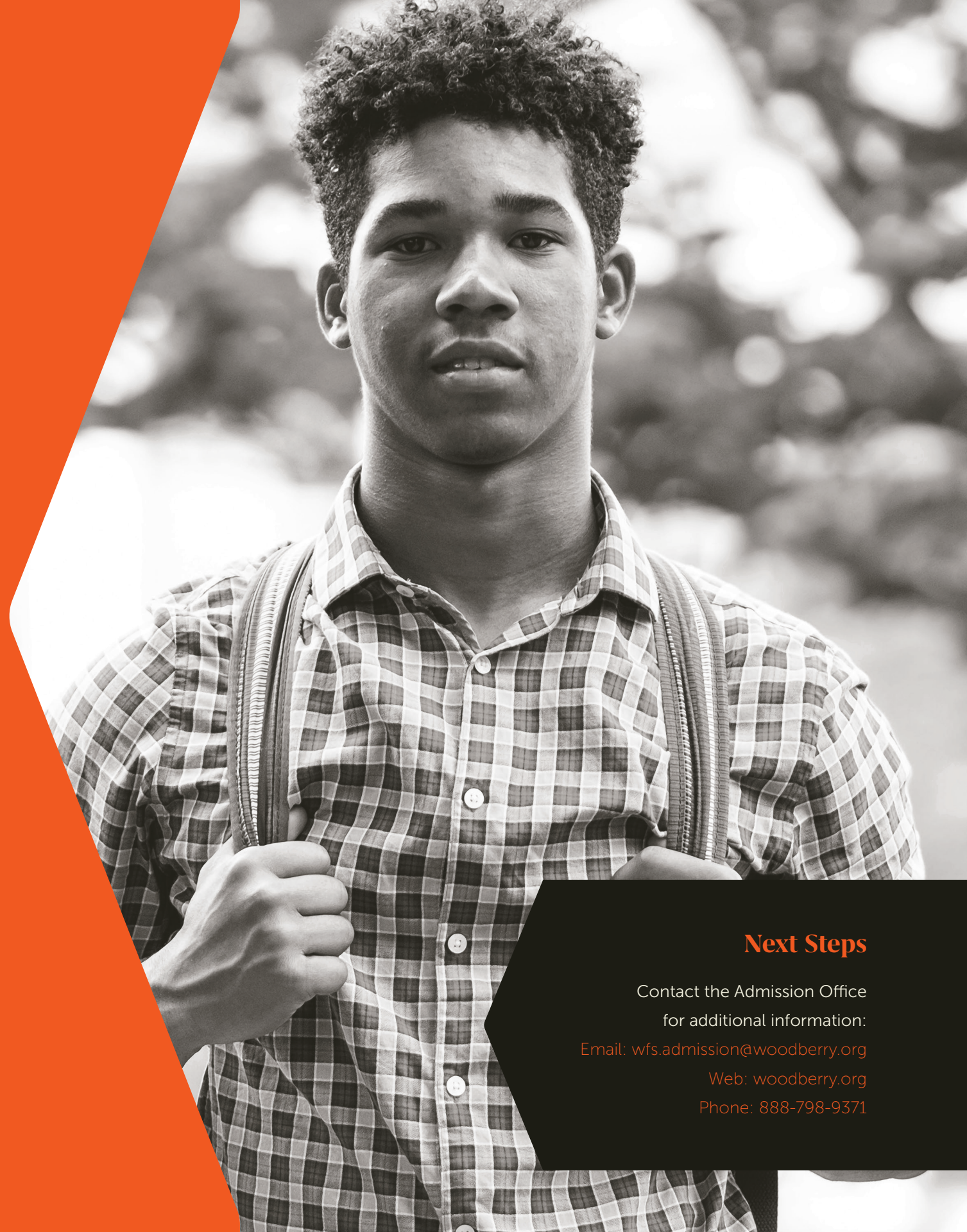
**S**ome people will try to tell you who you're supposed to become. How you're supposed to learn. What you're meant to do. But we say, only you can write your future. Only you can choose the uncommon path, knowing that each step forward brings you closer to a truer version of yourself.

# YOUR Move

We say, take that first step with confidence. Escape distractions. Be free to fail. Go all in on all that inspires you. Be a part of something greater — a community of seekers, bound together by a common commitment to this cause.

Seek adventure, and find opportunities for self-discovery. Live with honor, and honor every chance to establish yourself as a young man ready to make your mark on the world.

Begin your quest  
**for distinction.**



## Next Steps

Contact the Admission Office  
for additional information:

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Web: [woodberry.org](http://woodberry.org)

Phone: 888-798-9371



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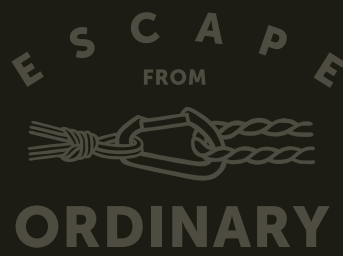
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PART 2 • PHOTO BOOK



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TELL A STORY  
THAT'S

# Never Been Told

**T**he friends you'll meet. The gifts you'll discover. The memories you'll make. The path lies before you to explore boundless possibilities. In the classroom. On the playing field. Across 1,200 acres of campus. There are countless stories waiting to be told at Woodberry. Yours starts right here...

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**Campus Life**  
ALL BOYS • ALL BOARDING  
A LIFE LIVED WITH PURPOSE





Our learning environment is structured to support the unique ways in which young men best learn. With hands-on opportunities, group work, and relevant, real-world problem-solving, Woodberry students embrace a more practical and engaging curriculum.

# Curriculum

HANDS-ON OPPORTUNITIES  
REAL-WORLD PROBLEM-SOLVING

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**Athletics**  
CAMARADERIE • COMPETITION  
PLAYING WITH HONOR







NINE-HOLE  
Golf Course  
DESIGNED BY  
DONALD ROSS



**The Arts**  
SELF-EXPRESSION • CREATIVITY  
FINDING YOUR VOICE







# Activities

THINGS TO DO • PLACES TO GO  
FUN TO FIND

Life on campus at Woodberry is designed to allow students to develop a strong sense of community. From piloting a drone and solving a Rubik's Cube to gardening and fly-fishing, the things you do together are what set you apart.

## Clubs and Organizations

**ACADEMIC** Drone Club, Investment Club, Math League, Model United Nations, Robotics Club, Science Olympiad, Young Democrats, Young Libertarians, and Young Republicans  
**ADMISSION** Admission Ambassadors, Admission Hosting  
**ART AND MUSIC** LemonTree Film Club, Speech & Debate Team, Swing Dance Club/Dance Marathon  
**COMMUNITY SERVICE** Boy Scouts, Boys and Girls Club, Johnson Stadium Concession Stand  
**ENVIRONMENTAL** Environmental Club, Student Conservation Committee, Vegetable Gardening Initiative  
**GAMES** Chess Club, Paintball Club, Rubik's Cube Club  
**LEADERSHIP** Orientation Committee  
**OUTDOOR** Fly-Fishing Club, Outdoors Club, Rod and Gun Club, Ropes Course Instructors  
**PUBLICATIONS** *The Fir Tree*, *The Oracle*, *The Talon*, Woodberry Forest School Production

Network  
**SOCIAL** Caucus, GSA, International Forum  
**SPIRITUAL** St. Andrew's Chapel Council, Woodberry Christian Fellowship  
**WHERE WILL THE WEEKEND TAKE YOU?** Mixers with Foxcroft, Madeira, St. Margaret's, and Chatham Hall girls' schools, Short Pump and Tyson's Corner movie and mall trips, Spectator buses to UVA sporting events, Outings to the Kings Dominion amusement park, Snow Ball at St. Mary's School in Raleigh, North Carolina, Hiking Old Rag Mountain, The Game Weekend & Bonfire (the oldest high school football rivalry in the South!), Informal music jam sessions, D.C. trips for cultural enrichment and pleasure, Semi-formals and formals at Foxcroft, Madeira, and Chatham Hall, Skiing at Wintergreen, BBQ Cookoff, Woodberry Semi-Formal and Formal, Indoor soccer matches, Paintball tournaments



AN UNCOMMON EXPERIENCE  
BEGINS ON

# Uncommon Grounds

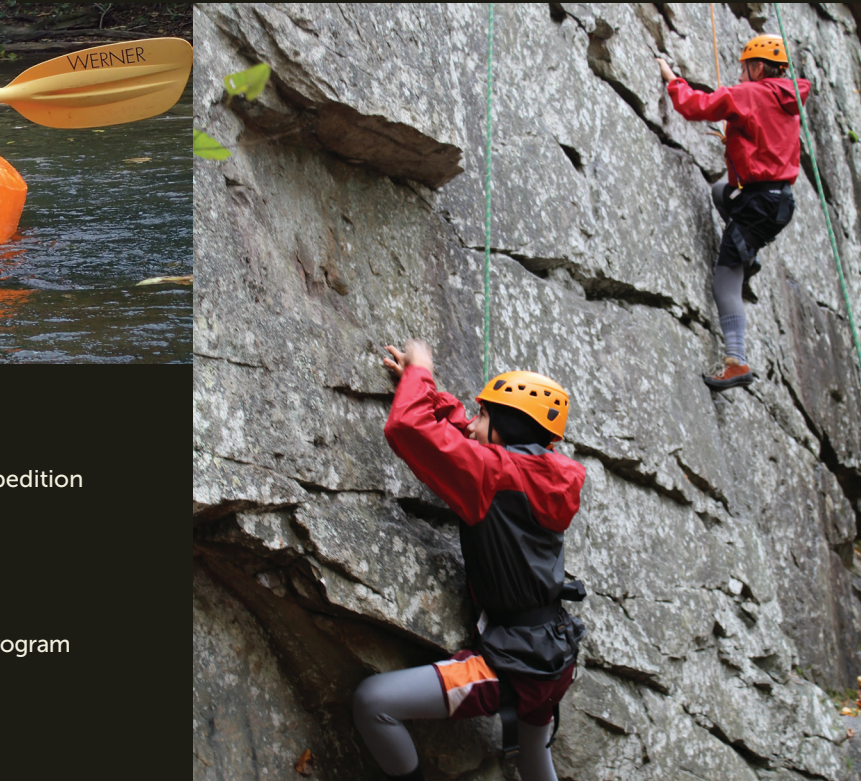


## Outdoor Rec

GREAT ADVENTURES IN THE  
GREAT OUTDOORS



- Alpine Tower Challenge Course
- Skeet Team
- Indoor Climbing Team
- Third-Form Experience
- Fourth-Form Expedition
- Mountain Biking
- Outing Club
- WFS Outdoors Program





The Woodberry experience is defined by those who experience it themselves. It's a shared journey of commitment, dedication, excitement, and growth. With the support of friends, teachers, and mentors who live and work here, you'll learn as a community invested together.

# Community

COMMITMENT • DEDICATION  
EXCITEMENT ° GROWTH

**T**he Woodberry campus spans 1,200 acres of beautiful landscape primed for discovery. From our dorms and classrooms set on the hilltop, down to our Tiger athletics facilities and golf course, and diving into miles of trails and eddies of the Rapidan River, your adventure awaits.

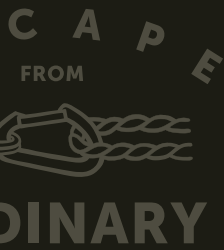
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### ▶ On The Map

Woodberry Forest is under an hour from Charlottesville and under two hours from Washington, D.C.





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THERE IS NOTHING

# Ordinary

ABOUT

WOODBERRY FOREST

**W**e believe that an uncommon experience demands a truly exceptional campus designed for exploration. So, for well over a century, we've worked to make our 1,200 acres into a place unlike any other high school in the world.

Come see for yourself. And bring this with you on your tour of campus. Consider it your guide as you begin your Woodberry adventure...



# There are many things to see and do here—

Too much to fit in a single visit, really. But while you're here, keep an eye out for these scenes and activities from around our campus.



St. Andrew's Chapel



Rehearsal in the J. Carter Walker Fine Arts Center



Swimming at the Barbee Center's Ruffin Natatorium



The farm and the Blue Ridge Mountains



Nine-hole golf course designed by Donald Ross



Manning Family Science Building



Ultimate on Grainger Field



A meal in Terry Dining Hall



Fly-fishing on the Rapidan River



The Woodberry Pipe Band performing on the lawn at graduation



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