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The Franklin School of Innovation is a nonprofit, tuition-free public charter school serving Asheville and the greater western region of North Carolina.

Partnerships

EL Education
Outward Bound
Asheville Greenworks
Habitat for Humanity
Warren Wilson College
Riverlink
Mountain True
DEN-Air Quality

Dual Enrollment with
AB Tech &
UNCA

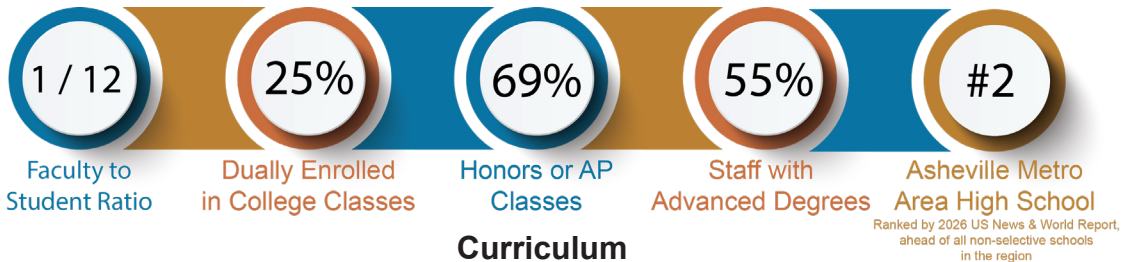
EL creates classrooms where teachers can fulfill their highest aspirations and students achieve more than they think possible, becoming active contributors to building a better world.

CEEB: 340131

Our Mission: To prepare the next generation of leaders, capable of solving problems and participating effectively and ethically as local and global citizens. Through challenging academics, real-world learning, and community engagement, our students discover their potential, develop resilience, and recognize the value of others. Our graduates are ready for the future they will create.

Academics: FSI utilizes an EL Education learning model. This includes evidence-based practices in literacy, inquiry-based mathematics, and data-driven instruction. FSI engages in a challenging, college preparatory curriculum designed by highly trained and dedicated faculty. Crew represents our commitment to being a community where everyone is valued and productive. During crew students engage in lessons focused on character and service as well as academic and behavioral goal setting. They also set goals, reflect on their growth and prepare for student led conferences and passage presentations that take place at the end of 8th, 10th and 12th grades. Students are encouraged to engage in our Habits of Scholarship:

LEADERSHIP • COLLABORATION • PERSISTENCE • INQUIRY • ETHICS • ACTION



Curriculum

All courses are year-long

25 credits required, 4 credits in each core subject and 9 credits from electives

English

English I-IV
AP English Language
AP English Literature

Social Studies

World History
Civics
Economics & Personal Finance
American History
AP US Government

Science

Earth & Environmental Science
Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Forensic Science
Intro to Computer Science
NC Life Sciences
AP Earth &
Environmental Science
AP Computer Science

Math

Math I-IV
AP Precalculus
AP Calculus AB

Honors

English I-II
Math I-III
World History
Civics
American History
Earth &
Environmental Science
Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Spanish III-V
French III-IV
Forensics
Vocal Ensemble Accom
Vocal Ensemble Adv
Orchestra Accom
Orchestra Adv
Theatre Arts Accom
Theatre Arts Adv
Visual Arts Accom
Visual Arts Adv

AP Courses

Total of 10
AP courses offered

Electives

Improv & Public Speaking
Business Principles & Drafting
Forensics Honors
Sustainability & Science Olympiad
Adventure Education
Business Principles
Creative Writing & Poetry
Youth-Led Participatory Action Research
Public Speaking
Yearbook I-III
Multicultural Studies
Film Studies
Current Affairs / Model UN I-III
Global Conflicts
Financial Literacy
Food & Humanity
Health & Physical Education
Sport Conditioning
Athletic Conditioning
Intro to Data Science

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Vocal Music I-IV
Modern Orchestra I-IV
Visual Art I-IV
3D Art: Sculpture & Ceramics
AP Studio Art: 2D Design
Theatre Arts I
Advanced Theatre Arts II-IV
Intro to Computer Science
Spanish I-IV
French I-IV
American Sign Language
AP Seminar
AP Research
AP Comp Sci Principles
Independent Study
or Research Project

AP Capstone Diploma

AP seminar
AP research
four other AP courses
AP exam or portfolio
score of 3 or higher
for all six AP courses

Grading Scale and GPA

Honors courses carry an additional .5 points and (AP) courses carry an additional 1 point. Grade Point Averages are reported on a 4.0 scale.

A	90-100 : 4 quality points
B	80-89 : 3 quality points
C	70-79 : 2 quality points
D	60-69 : 1 quality point
F	59-below : 0 quality points

Testing Summary

Median Score for the ACT is 21

Year	Composite	Math	Science	STEM	English	Reading
24-25	21.7	19.6	21.3	20.7	21.1	24.3
22-23	21.3	19.8	21.7	20.7	20.4	22.8
21-22	21.0	19.6	21.2	20.6	20.2	23.4
20-21	20.5	18.5	20.1	19.6	20.1	22.8
19-20	20.4	19.1	20.9	20.2	19.3	22.0

Graduation Requirements

4 credits English
4 credits Math
4 credits Social Sciences
4 credits Science
1 credit health or PE
6 elective credits

Two elective credits in arts concentration required,
two in world languages highly encouraged

40 hours of community service

Senior Passage Project

AP Summary

Students may only enroll in AP courses in grades 10-12. Limit 1 AP course in 10th.
Limit 3 in 11th and 12th grade respectively

AP Test Score	Scored a 3, 4 or 5	Scored a 4 or 5
2025	71.93%	29%
2024	68.57%	31%
2023	66.33%	29%
2022	64.00%	25%
2021	52.33%	29%
2020	65.00%	23%
2019	50%	22%

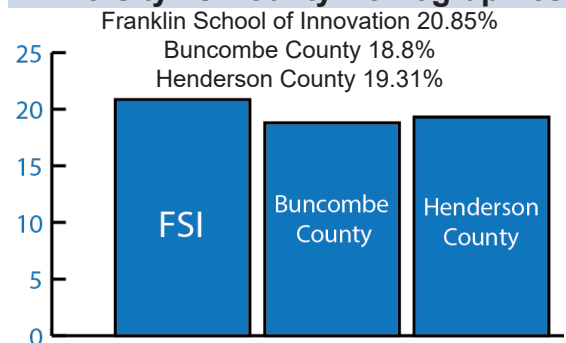
of students enrolled in AP courses

2025:	40%	2021:	42%
2024:	42%	2020:	33%
2023:	45%		
2022:	47%		

Total Students in Grades 5-12: 749

Seniors	80	White	79.15%
Juniors	88	Multi-Racial	7.84%
Sophomores	91	Hispanic/Latino	9.56%
Freshmen	103	Black/African American	2.52%
HS Total	362	Asian	.80%
		American Indian or Alaska Native	.13%

Diversity vs County Demographics



High School Community Overview

Average class size (23), faculty to student ratio (1:12)

22% participate in High School Athletics, 19% participate in Visual Arts,

34% Participate in Musical Performance, 33% of seniors had 100 or more community service hours in 2023,

100% of students participate in Expeditionary Learning with our community partners.

Ranked #2 in Asheville, NC Metro Area High Schools by US News & World Report, ahead of all non-selective public schools in the region.

College Acceptances

66% matriculation to 4-year institutions; 82% to 4-year and 2-year institutions

Agnes Scott College	Endicott College	Purdue	University of Maryland
Appalachian State University	Fort Lewis University	Radford University	UMass Amherst
Bard College	Furman University	Ringling College of Art and Design	University of Minnesota
Bennington College	Gardner-Webb University	Roanoke College	University of New Hampshire
Berklee College of Music	Georgia State	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Pittsburgh
Boise State University	Goucher College	Seton Hall University	University of San Francisco
Bryn Mawr College	George Mason University	Skidmore College	University of South Carolina
Centre College	Gonzaga University	Smith College	University of Vermont
Clark University	Hampden-Sydney College	Temple University	Virginia Tech
Cleveland Institute of Music	High Point University	The New School of New York	Warren Wilson College
College of Charleston	Ithaca College	UNC Chapel Hill	Washington College
Colorado College	Kenyon College	8 other UNC Colleges	Washington and Lee
Colorado State	Mount Holyoke College	University College of Dublin	Western Colorado University
Connecticut College	NC School of the Arts	University of Alabama	Western Washington University
DigiPen Institute of Technology	NC State University	University of California Santa Cruz	Whitman College
Drexel University	New Hampshire University	University of Colorado	William & Mary College
Duke University	Oregon State	University of Colorado Boulder	Wofford College
Eckerd College	Penn State	University of Denver	Xavier University
Elon University	Prescott College	University of Georgia	