

# Spring Valley Academy

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Ohio

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## SVA FAST FACTS

1. 2018 is the 50<sup>th</sup> year!
2. Enrollment approx. 400
3. Teacher/Student Ratio 1:15
4. Average ACT top 10% = 29
5. 6 Sports teams
6. Annual International School Trips
7. More than 9 clubs

SVA is committed to excellence in education and student growth and development. and their test scores consistently rank above the National average being in the top 3% in the state.



## Spring Valley Academy

Spring Valley Academy is a private college-preparatory school, located on a 41-acre campus near Dayton, Ohio. It was founded in 1968, and they are part of the world's largest, centrally governed, private school system which embraces a tradition of excellence that dates back well over 100 years.

Dayton is a destination packed with big-city experiences, amenities, attractions and shopping wrapped in small-town charm. The local community is full of parks, rivers and bike paths.

Big city culture is available in world-class visual art and professional opera, ballet, orchestra and theater performances.

World aviation history can be explored at the Wright Brothers at Carillon Historical Park, the National Museum of the United States Air Force or the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park.

Other local attractions include the Dayton Art Museum, Cincinnati and Columbus Zoos, Cosi Science Museum, Newport Aquarium, Schuster Performing Arts venue and major league sports teams.



## Sports and Clubs

### *Sports*

The school has a large modern gymnasium for sports and student fitness activities. Teams include: men's and women's basketball, soccer, men's and women's volleyball and gymnastics.

### *Clubs*

Various clubs provide extra opportunities for students to be involved in educational growth.

*Middle School Clubs* include a math, debate, reading and drama.

*High School Clubs include:*

**Future Physicians:** For those interested in the future challenges of a medical career

**History:** For those students interested in history and its impact throughout the ages.

**Ping Pong:** Principal Darren Wilkins sponsors this interactive club for FUN and to develop hand-eye-coordination!

**Spanish:** To enrich member's exposure of the Hispanic culture

**Ski:** Fun-filled with snow skiing and snowboarding adventures. 3 Ski trips every year are offered during the winter break.

*Other optional groups are:*

**Student Council:** An elected group of students who help plan school activities.

**Yearbook:** Annually publishing K-8 and High School yearbooks.

**Note to high schoolers:** If you want to do well on your ACTs, and then go on to succeed in college, take four years of English and at least three years each of math, social studies, and science. **(ACT. Inc.)**



## New classroom space development

Construction is currently underway on a new Performing Arts Center, to be completed in May of 2018. The first phase (\$5.5 million) will include a 490-seat auditorium, designed to serve as both a place to hold weekly student programs, as well as a performance space for the celebrated SVA music and drama programs.

The auditorium will feature a state of the art sound and lighting system. One of the nation's top acoustical engineers designed the room with the capability to be "tuned" for various types of vocal and instrumental performances.

Additional phases of the project will include practice rooms and new band and choir rooms as well as a large lobby. The three phases, when completed, will be 18,000 square feet and cost a total of \$9 million.

Future plans will expand the High School and to build a new gymnasium for the Elementary school.



*Performing Arts Center Exterior*

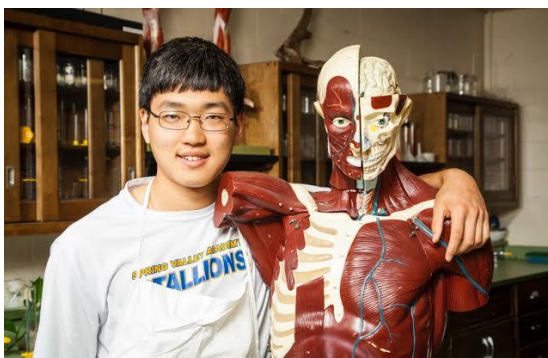


*Performing Arts Center Interior*

## Innovative Academic Tools

All students in Middle School and High School are assigned individual iPads for instructional assignments. Most of their textbooks are electronic and available on the iPads. This program enhances teacher effectiveness and student learning. Teachers can assign work to groups or individuals as needed. Internet access is monitored and controlled during the school day.

The 5th and 6th grade students have a Virtual Reality program that focuses on Graphics Design. They learn to program a graphic design and then explore the design through the virtual reality program.



**All classrooms are equipped with computer-driven 'Smart Boards' for interactive educational instruction**

## School Educational Trips

Every year during Spring Break the school takes an international educational trip. Recent trips have included France, Spain, Greece and Austria, the Amazon in Peru, and Kenya.

On some of these student trips have the opportunity to participate in medical and construction activities and lead out in educating the local citizens.

## Music Program

SVA offers students choices of different bands and choirs to participate in. The music groups regularly perform locally, as well as nationally and internationally. Musical groups include four choirs, five bands, instrumental quartets and quintets, along with private lessons for piano and strings.

Multiple teachers also give lessons for various instruments at the school. Band students are also able to take private lessons for multiple instruments during the school day.

Voice lessons are also available.

Every year the school offers a special trip for band and choir students to different areas of the USA.

In the 2016 the band toured Nashville and performed at various venues. They also recorded an album in Nashville. The choir toured Disney in 2017 and recorded a song for the Minions movie.

## Dual Credit Classes:

(High school and College credit given)

- College Writing 1 & 2
- College Algebra
- Communications Skills
- Economics
- Microsoft Applications
- Founding Fathers (Social Studies)
- Civil War (Social Studies)

## Trips include:

- Backpacking trip (once in Fall and once in Spring)
- The annual Gymnastic 'Acrofest'
- The annual LEGO Tournament
- Annual Basketball and Volleyball Tournaments



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