ORLANDO, FL
Lake Mary Preparatory School
Private Day & Boarding School

U.S.A.

Orlando is located in the heart of Central Florida and its greater metropolitan area has a population of over 2 million. The city dates back to the year of 1838 when the US Army established Fort Gatlin South at the height of the Seminole Wars, right where Orlando sits today. The city's first name was Jernigan, after its first permanent settler Aaron Jernigan. The name Orlando came after in honor of Orlando Reeves, a sentinel soldier who spotted an Indian attack.

Orlando is nicknamed "The City Beautiful" and its symbol is the downtown Lake Eola fountain. The city is also called "The Theme Park Capital of the World" since it's the home of theme parks like Walt Disney World, Universal Studios Florida, Island of Adventures, SeaWorld, Aquatica and Wet 'n Wild Water Park. The city's famous attractions form the backbone of Orlando's tourism industry, making Orlando the most visited city in the USA. Orlando also has many natural parks and over 2000 lakes, making it a perfect setting for outdoor activities and water sports. Orlando is home to the Orlando Magic Major League Basketball team, Orlando City Major League Soccer Team and to the University of Central Florida (UCF), the second largest university campus in the United States in terms of enrollments. Orlando is also home to Valencia College, ranked among the nation's top Colleges. The Aspen Institute awarded Valencia the first Aspen Prize for College Excellence and Valencia is ranked amongst the top Colleges in the country.

Orlando is a fun city, with lots of things to do. It's also very close to the beach and the Florida Everglades. The weather is mostly warm, with some cold days in the winter but it's never too cold. The city is big and very spread out. It can take up to one hour by car to go from the east side to the west and from the north to the south. Even though Orlando is a big city and a very popular touristic destination, the residential areas where students live and go to school are just like any other city in the US. These areas actually have a small town atmosphere and are very safe and friendly.

FUN FACTS

- Orlando is one of the largest tourist destinations in the world. The city receives an estimated 54 million tourists a year, with over 2 million being international visitors.
- Orlando International Airport code is MCO, which stands for the McCoy Air Force base. A local joke says that it stands for "Mickey's Corporate Office", as in Disney's Mickey mouse.
- Orlando has the second largest number of hotel rooms in the county, after Las Vegas, NV.
- Orlando has more than 5000 restaurants with more opening each week. If you ate each meal at a different restaurant, it would take you over 5 years to cover them all.
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- Florida has more golf courses than any other US state.

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TOP 3 Best Private HS in Orlando

AGE REQUIREMENT

Middle School: 11 to 14 years old

High School: 14 to 18 years old

SCHOOL DETAILS

Type of School: COED

Number of Students (MS&HS): 470

International Population: 12%

ESOL/ESL classes: No

Sports: Yes

12th Grade Students: Yes

Semester Program: Yes

Average SAT Score: 1260

Lake Mary Preparatory School was founded in 1999 and is a private school located in Lake Mary, FL, a suburb of Orlando. It serves grades Pre-K-12 and is co-educational and non-sectarian. The school blends typical core college preparatory curriculum with interdisciplinary teaching styles. The Upper School building for grades 6-12 is a 45,000-square-foot (4,200 m2) building with four computer labs, three science labs, an art room, and two cafeterias all built around a central gymnasium and weight room. Behind the school is an athletic complex which includes a soccer and football field, a baseball field, an Olympic track, and five tennis courts and a softball infield. With students representing more than 40 countries, the diverse community at Lake Mary Prep offers a warm and welcoming environment to international students.

Lake Mary Preparatory School's Math and Science Programs are unmatched in the area, with the integration of Fine Arts as a ubiquitous part of the overall academic curriculum. The core curriculum is challenging and personalized to each student. Lake Mary Prep offers a wide range of classes including some unique subjects such as Solar Engineering, Robotics, Coding, 2D & 3D Arts, Music Production, Graphic Design and Animation Class. The school offers free tutoring and ESL classes for students who need a little extra help achieving their academic goals. The Upper School offers several academic levels including Honors and Advanced Placement courses. Lake Mary Preparatory School is the first and only private school in Central Florida to offer the AP Capstone Program, which is a College Board program that equips students with the independent research, collaborative teamwork, and communication skills that are increasingly valued by colleges. Lake Mary Preparatory students achieve exceptional outcomes and are accepted at their top-choice universities, such as: Princeton University, University of California Los Angeles, Columbia University, Harvard University, Boston College, Emory University, Davidson College, Pepperdine University, University of Notre Dame, College of William and Mary, and the University of Florida. Lake Mary Preparatory School goal is to ignite the full academic potential of every student.

Lake Mary Prep offers a variety of after school clubs and sports. The schools has over 40 sports teams and the sports available are: Archery, Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track and Field, Volleyball and Weightlifting. The school's debate club is top in the country and has won several awards. The school provides a uniquely personalized experience that allows students to reach their highest potential academically, socially, athletically in a safe and nurturing environment.

School website: www.lakemaryprep.com

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