

# Ben Lippen School



## Private Boarding School – Columbia , South Carolina

Established in 1940, Ben Lippen is a college preparatory, evangelical Christian school with both day and boarding students. Ben Lippen is located in Columbia, the capital of the State of South Carolina. Columbia is a city of 500,000 inhabitants and is the home to five colleges/universities. Shopping malls are readily available. The Riverbanks Zoo located in Columbia was recently rated in the top 10 zoos in the nation.

The name of the school is derived from a Scottish phrase meaning “Mountain of Trust,” and is indicative of the significance of the responsibility assumed when teachers begin the task of educating young people. The resident program is an important aspect of Ben Lippen School. The potential for spiritual growth and emotional maturity is tremendous in an atmosphere of support, cooperation and mutual respect.

### **Academic and Sport Facilities**

Classroom buildings, three science labs, computer labs, art room, band/music room, gymnasium, football stadium, soccer stadium, baseball field, softball field, track.

### **Dormitories and School Residences**

Residence houses are family style homes staffed by house parents with one house parent for every 16 students and two students per room. The student rooms offer a telephone in each suite, wireless broadband internet connection and satellite television.

### **Starting Dates:**

Fall Semester: Mid August, Spring Semester: Beginning of January

### **Other Services Offered**

- Academic progress reports
- Airport transfer service
- Orientation and assistance in acquiring books and materials
- Help with holiday accommodation
- help with travel during holidays
- Social progress reports when needed

## School Facts

### School Type

Co-Educational

### Number of Students

382 (27% international)

### Grades

9-12

### Teacher/Student Ratio

1:12

### Average Class Size

22

### ESL Programs

Yes

### IB Programs

No

### Offer Diploma

Yes

### School Uniform

Yes

### Campus Size

100 Acres

### Religious Affiliation

Christian

### SAT Average

1738

### Foreign Languages

- French
- Spanish

### Arts

- Art
- Choir
- Music

### AP Courses

- Biology
- Calculus AB

- Calculus BC
- Chemistry
- English Language and Composition
- English Literature and Composition

- French Language and Culture
- Physics
- Spanish Language and Culture
- Statistics
- US Government and Politics
- US History
- World History

### Sports

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cheerleading
- Cross Country
- Football
- Golf
- Soccer
- Tennis
- Track and Field
- Volleyball
- Weightlifting
- Wrestling

### Extracurricular Activities & Clubs

- Art
- Band
- Chamber Orchestra
- Chess
- Chorus
- Drama
- Fellowship
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Foreign Language
- Math
- Missionary
- National Honors Society
- Retreats
- Service
- Special Interest
- Student Ambassadors
- Student Council
- Student Government
- Worship
- Yearbook

**University Acceptance Rate:** 98%

**Closest International and Local Airports:** Local airport – Columbia Airport, International airport – Charlotte International Airport