Being a boarder has been one of the greatest experiences of my life. We make lifelong friendships with people from all around the world.

Pathorn Buddhari, recent graduate
Bangkok, Thailand
Syracuse University
Athenian Life

Athenian is located on 75 acres of rolling hills and meadows at the foot of Mt. Diablo in Danville, California.

- Our residential community includes nearly 130 people living on campus: 60 boarding students and 20 faculty families.
- The San Francisco Bay Area’s only coeducational non-sectarian college prep boarding program
- Open to students grades 9-12
- Three dormitories each housing approximately 20 students
- Home-style meals shared with the residential faculty and families
- Proctored study halls each evening
- Access to the metropolitan centers of San Francisco, Berkeley, and Oakland

The warm supportive residential community at Athenian includes nearly 130 people. In addition to our boarding students, more than twenty faculty members live on campus with their families and pets. Friendly guidance is never far away.

The small size of Athenian’s boarding community means that living here feels like a real home. We have 60 resident students who come from nearly 15 different countries. Filmmakers, writers, scientists, activists, dancers. You will meet some unforgettable people here and leave with lifelong friends.

Well into the evening our campus is alive with people using the library, labs, theater, sports fields, gymnasiums, and art studios. Like you, they’re intellectual and creative students who want to make a difference. Last year 100% of Athenian graduates were admitted to outstanding four-year colleges and universities.

There’s always someone to laugh with and plenty of comfortable couches where you can share your dreams, study physics terms, or visit the dining hall for a meal with some fresh-baked cookies and delicious homemade meals.

Athenian’s beautiful campus is nicely situated to enjoy nature hikes, the beach, and the museums, theater and restaurants of San Francisco. Residents also get together for fun outings, as well as an annual trip and a lakeside barbecue.

Your experiences will help shape your future. At Athenian they can be more fulfilling than you ever dreamed!
Boarding Events

All boarding students belong to a residential family group, in which a faculty member takes care of a group of students. They celebrate birthdays, study together monthly, go out for dinner and activities, and just have fun. Students often share a deep connection with the faculty member’s family.

Twice each month the entire residential community, students and faculty, gathers for a reflection and special meal. Once a week students and adults in each dorm meet to discuss residential issues and upcoming events, celebrate dorm accomplishments, and talk about multicultural issues.

Every weekend boarders participate in FAB’s (Fun Activities for Boarders) ranging from going to a special restaurant, an event in Oakland, or a sporting event. Some FAB’s involve playing games in a faculty member’s home. You can always find something to do with a friend on a weekend.

Benefits of Boarding at Athenian

- Develop group living skills and master academic responsibilities.
- Cultivate positive relationships with teachers and students, while learning about other cultures and customs.
- Benefit from extensive access to faculty and staff.
- Receive outstanding academic preparation in an environment of intellectual inquiry and independent thought.
- Involve yourself in student government, athletics, arts, clubs, committees, and more.
- Enjoy extended access to our library and other campus facilities.
- Join in great activities: picnics on Mt. Diablo, trips to San Francisco, art museums, theater, dance, ski trips, and sporting events.
- Build important skills for your future.

In my daughter, I now see a strong student, a self-motivated learner, and a well-rounded young lady with the desire to serve and take full responsibility for her life.

Margaret Bam, parent of boarding student; Cape Town, South Africa
Daily Boarding Schedule

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<th>Sunday night – Friday afternoon</th>
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<td>7:15 am</td>
<td>Breakfast</td>
<td>Brunch (10:30 am)</td>
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<td>8:10 am - 3:35 pm</td>
<td>Attend classes</td>
<td>Activities and events described below</td>
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<td>3:35 - 6:00 pm</td>
<td>Sports, performing arts, robotics, free time, study</td>
<td>Activities and events continue</td>
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<td>6:00 pm</td>
<td>Dinner</td>
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<td>7:00 - 9:00 pm</td>
<td>Supervised study hours</td>
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<td>9:00 - 9:45 pm</td>
<td>Dorm chores, free time</td>
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Activities include: van shuttles to nearby grocery stores, movie theaters, shopping centers, Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART). On-campus activities include: baking cookies, basketball tournaments, movie night, game night, and more. Events include: professional sports games, amusement parks, local festivals, paint ball, bowling, planned trips, and more.

The 5-Day Boarding Option
Students whose families live within reasonable travel distance of Athenian can participate in 5-day boarding. This option allows students to leave campus Friday afternoon after classes end, returning no later than 7:00 pm on Sunday for study hours. 5-day boarders can benefit from boarding life during the week and participate in their family home life on the weekends.
The Athenian School believes the best way to master academic subjects is to experience their application first hand. In our rigorous academic program, you and other talented students from San Francisco’s East Bay and around the world will immerse yourselves in coursework, inspiring each other to think critically, problem solve, and collaborate as global citizens. As an Athenian graduate, you will thrive in any of the nation’s best colleges, and be poised for a life of intellectual exploration and meaningful contribution.