

## THE INTERMEDIATE PROGRAM GRADES FIVE AND SIX

Ashley Hall's Intermediate Program is strategically designed to prepare students for the academic and social rigors of the college preparatory curricula they will encounter in seventh through twelfth grades. The twoyear program gives individualized attention to each girl during the critical pre-adolescent years of emotional and physical development. Because these years are so transformative for girls, we have built a dedicated team of teachers who work closely with one another to coordinate their respective course contents and provide differentiated instruction that draws on each student's individual strengths and provides opportunities for enrichment.



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## AT A GLANCE



★ The Intermediate Program offers a dedicated class period for **STEAM** (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) programming. This cross-curricular approach includes introducing students to basic robotics and coding, while encouraging them to see the various ways in which these different disciplines overlap and interact in surprising ways. Students are encouraged to explore and pursue these fields of interest that are traditionally underrepresented by women.

★ A full-time counselor serves on the faculty and offers **INDIVIDUALIZED ATTENTION** to the physical and emotional needs of each girl.

★ Ashley Hall's Wellness Program is integrated into the Intermediate Program curriculum both through a wellness course instructed by a school counselor and regular assemblies to support and guide girls through the critical pre-adolescent years.  $\star$  Confidence and self-expression are built through formal speech classes. Girls present regularly to their classmates as well as at special assemblies.

**★ STUDY SKILLS** and **TIME MANAGEMENT** are taught explicitly to ensure the student is ready for the Upper School.

★ Intermediate Program students participate in the School's formal athletic program through Bantam sports such as volleyball, basketball, and tennis, and through junior varsity programs in track, cross-country, swimming, tennis, archery, and soccer.

★ Working with the Lowcountry Maritime Society (LMS), fifth graders are guided through the process of learning how to read scaled plans and transform those plans into hand-engineered wooden boats they build and then row themselves. Throughout the semester students are also taught about local maritime history and seamanship skills as part of this comprehensive project.

★ DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES help students broaden their horizons while enriching their cultural experiences and perspectives.

