

## *PROFILE* Class of 2017



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### Community Information

Founded in 1958, Shawnee Mission East is one of five high schools in the Shawnee Mission School District located in the suburban Kansas City area. Parts of eight cities — Fairway, Leawood, Mission Hills, Mission Woods, Prairie Village, Overland Park, Westwood and Westwood Hills—are included in the East attendance area. It is in a residential area of largely middle- to upper-middle-class families with a population base exceeding 50,000.

### Accreditation

Shawnee Mission East is a comprehensive four-year public high school with a strong emphasis on college preparation. Typically, more than 90 percent of its graduates seek higher education; however, the school's curriculum is designed to meet the academic needs of the entire student body. The curriculum includes career and vocational programs and easy access to the Area Vocational Technical School. An extensive special education program is available to students with exceptional academic needs. East delivers these services under the accreditation of the Kansas State Department of Education.

### Staff

Shawnee Mission East has 111 certified staff members, 89 of whom have a master's degree; 4 have earned doctorates. The East staff shows remarkable stability, averaging 18 years of teaching experience. The current ratio of certified staff to students is 1 to 16.

### Programs of Special Interest

**Advanced Placement** — Rigorous college preparatory courses are offered in all content areas and students may earn advanced standing and college credit through Advanced Placement (AP) testing and concurrent enrollment college courses.

**International Baccalaureate Diploma Program** — This rigorous European-style college preparatory program offers highly motivated, academically talented students an opportunity for in-depth scholarship and meaningful community service. The IB diploma is recognized in 57 countries and may qualify graduates for college credits.

**College Now, Baker University and Quick Step Programs** — These programs allow students to earn college credit while still in high school.

**SHARE Program** — Through our nationally recognized service program SHARE, students at East volunteer more than 25,000 hours annually to such important groups as the homeless and special needs children.

**Career Development** — Signature and Career training programs at East include marketing education, auto mechanics, business technology, pre-engineering and computer-aided design, law and public service, culinary arts, medical health science, and intro to biotechnology.

**Fine Arts Department** — East's diverse fine arts program has helped students receive local, state, and national recognition. More than 2/3 of the student population is actively involved.

## Graduation Requirements Class of 2017 — TOTAL of 23 units

|   |           |   |
|---|-----------|---|
| English   | 4 units   | Shawnee Mission East implemented a modified block schedule during the 2008-2009 school year. Students attend seven periods on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays; Hours 1, 3, 5, 7 (odd hours) on Wednesdays; and Hours 2, 4, 6 (even hours) and Seminar on Thursdays. The goal of the Seminar program is to provide additional time during the school day for academic support. Students are assigned a pass/fail grade for Seminar attendance and participation. This grade does not affect the overall GPA. Shawnee Mission Public Schools do not rank students. |
| Social Studies                                      | 3 units   |   |
| Mathematics   | 3 units   |   |
| Science   | 3 units   |   |
| (1 biological, 1 physical — 1 must be a lab course) |           |   |
| Fine Arts   | 1 unit    |   |
| Phys. Ed/Health                                     | 1.5 units |   |
| Elective Courses                                    | 7.5 units |   |

## Grade Points, Scale and Transcript Notations

|                |              |                       |                                  |
|----------------|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| A = 4 points * | A = 90 — 100 | Q = Competency Credit | E = Excused                      |
| B = 3 points * | B = 80 — 89  | U = Audit             | I = Incomplete                   |
| C = 2 points   | C = 70—79    | K = Credit            | P = Passing                      |
| D = 1 points   | D = 60—69    | N = No Credit         |                                  |
| F = 0 points   | F = 0—59     | W = Withdrawn         | * See “Honor Grade Points” below |

## Honor Grade Points

To recognize the higher expectations for students in Honors, Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate courses, SME awards honor grade points. For certain advanced courses an A earns 5 points and a B earns 4 points. Other grades earn points as indicated above.

**Advanced Placement courses available:** AP/H Biology (11-12); AP/H Calculus AB (11-12); AP/H Calculus BC (11-12); AP/H Chemistry 2 (11-12); AP/H Computer Science A (10-12); AP/H English Language & Composition (11); AP/H English Literature & Composition (12); AP/H Environmental Science (11-12); AP/H European History (10-12); AP/H French Language (11-12); AP/H Latin Vergil (12); AP/H Macroeconomics (10-12); AP/H Microeconomics (10-12); AP/H Physics 1 (11-12); AP/H Physics 2 (11-12); AP/H Psychology (11-12); AP/H Spanish Language (11-12); AP/H Studio Art Drawing (12); AP/H Studio Art 2D (12); AP/H Studio Art 3D (12); AP/H US Government & Politics (12); and AP/H US History (11-12). **Last year, 423 students took 758 Advanced Placement examinations; 75% scored 3 or higher.** SME offers 22 AP courses. A high achieving AP dedicated student can only take up to nine AP courses due to scheduling conflicts.

**Honors classes include:** H Algebra 2 (9-12); H Biology 1 (9-10); H Calculus 3 (12); H Debate, Adv. (10-12); H Differential Equations (12); H Discrete Math (10-12); H Dramatic Literature (11-12); H English (9-12); H Geometry (9-12); H Legal Studies Research and Writing (11-12); H Music Theory (11-12); H Precalculus (10-12); H Programming Java, Adv. (9-12); and H World Regional Studies(9).

**International Baccalaureate Candidates are full diploma seeking. Classes include:** IB Adv Repertory Theatre SL 2 (12); IB Adv Repertory Theatre HL 2 (12); IB American Government HL(H) (12); IB Biology 2 SL(H) (11-12); IB Chemistry 1 SL(H)(11-12); IB Chemistry 2 SL(H) (11-12); IB Computer Science SL 1(H) (11); IB Computer Science SL 2(H) (12); IB Computer Science HL 1(H) (11); IB Computer Science HL 2(H) (12); IB Discrete Math HL(H) (11-12); IB English HL 1(H) (11); IB English HL 2(H) (12); French 3IB (11); IB French 4 SL (11-12); IB French 5 SL(H) (11-12); IB French 5 HL(H) (11); IB French 6 SL(H) (12); IB French 6 HL(H) (12); IB History of the Americas HL 1(H) (11); IB History of the Americas HL 2(H) (12); IB Dance SL 1 (11-12); IB Dance SL 2 (11-12); IB Dance Troupe HL 1 (11); IB Dance Troupe HL 2 (12); IB Latin 3 SL (11); IB Latin 3 HL (11); IB Latin 4 SL(H) (12); IB Latin 4 HL(H) (12); IB Math SL 1(H) (11); IB Math SL 2(H) (11-12); IB Math HL 1(H) (11); IB Math HL 2(H) (12); IB Music Theory SL(H) (11-12); IB Music Theory HL(H) (12); IB Physics 1 SL(H) (11-12); IB Physics 2 SL(H) (11-12); IB Psychology HL 1(H) (11); IB Psychology HL 2(H) (12); IB Repertory Theatre SL 1 (11-12); IB Repertory Theatre HL 1 (11); Spanish 3 IB (11); IB Spanish 4 SL (11-12); IB Spanish 5 SL(H) (11-12); IB Spanish 5 HL(H) (11); IB Spanish 6 SL (H) (12); IB Spanish 6 HL(H) (12); IB Statistics SL(H) (11-12); IB Theory of Knowledge (11-12); IB Visual Arts SL 1 (11-12); IB Visual Arts HL 1(11); IB Visual Arts SL 2(H) (12); and IB Visual Arts HL 2(H) (12).

## Statistical Profile

### National Merit

| Class of | # of Graduates | Semifinalists | Commended |
|----------|----------------|---------------|-----------|
| 2017     | 359            | 7             | 12        |
| 2016     | 404            | 3             | 13        |
| 2015     | 371            | 7             | 11        |
| 2014     | 441            | 10            | 10        |
| 2013     | 447            | 8             | 17        |

### SAT 1

| Class of | # of Graduates | # Tested | Mean Reading | Mean Math | Mean Writing |
|----------|----------------|----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| 2016     | 404            | 68       | 585          | 603       | 559          |
| 2015     | 371            | 80       | 632          | 618       | 621          |
| 2014     | 441            | 108      | 617          | 614       | 582          |
| 2013     | 447            | 146      | 610          | 608       | 580          |

### SAT

| Class of | # of Graduates | # Tested | Mean EBRW | Mean Math | Mean Total |
|----------|----------------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 2017     | 359            | 66       | 658       | 645       | 1302       |

## Statistical Profile (continued)

### ACT

| Class of | # of Graduates | # Tested | Mean English | Mean Math | Mean Reading | Mean Science | Mean Comp |
|----------|----------------|----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| 2017     | 359            | 323      | 26.1         | 24.3      | 26.8         | 25.1         | 25.7      |
| 2016     | 404            | 347      | 25.6         | 24.3      | 25.9         | 25.0         | 25.3      |
| 2015     | 371            | 314      | 25.9         | 24.4      | 26.2         | 24.9         | 25.5      |
| 2014     | 441            | 372      | 25.0         | 24.4      | 25.9         | 24.4         | 25.1      |
| 2013     | 447            | 378      | 25.3         | 24.5      | 25.8         | 24.6         | 25.2      |

East's PTA includes some 1,097 members and has received national awards for its comprehensive support. Other parent groups include Friends of the Arts and All Sports Booster Club.

## Student Activities

### Athletics

|               |            |            |            |            |            |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Baseball      | Boys       | Golf       | Boys/Girls | Swimming   | Boys/Girls |
| Basketball    | Boys/Girls | Gymnastics | Girls      | Tennis     | Boys/Girls |
| Bowling       | Boys/Girls | Soccer     | Boys/Girls | Track      | Boys/Girls |
| Cross-Country | Boys/Girls | Softball   | Girls      | Volleyball | Girls      |
| Football      | Boys       |            |            | Wrestling  | Boys       |

### Extra-Curricular Clubs and Activities

|                               |                        |                 |                     |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Amnesty International         | Friends of the Library | Junior Class    | Science Club        |
| Bridge Politics               | Gay Straight Alliance  | Lacrosse        | Senior Class        |
| Change the Image              | German                 | Latin Club      | SHARE               |
| Coalition                     | Graphic Novel Club     | Link Crew       | Social Studies Club |
| DECA                          | Interact Club          | Math Club       | Sophomore Class     |
| Environmental Club            | International Club     | Pep Club        | Student Council     |
| Fellowship/Christian Athletes | Intramurals            | Philosophy Club | Youth in Government |
| Freshman Class                | Jewish Student Union   | Robotics        | Young Starz         |

### Musical Activities

|                        |                   |                |
|------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Blue Knights Jazz Band | Concert Orchestra | Pep Band       |
| Chamber Singers        | Marching Band     | Symphonic Band |

### Dramatic and Support Activities

|           |                   |            |
|-----------|-------------------|------------|
| Fall Play | Repertory Theater | Stage Crew |
| Musical   | Spring Play       | Thespians  |

### Spirit Groups

|                         |                          |                  |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| Cheerleaders (Freshmen) | Cheerleaders (Sophomore) | Drill/Dance Team |
| Cheerleaders (JV)       | Cheerleaders (Varsity)   | Heralders        |

### Honorary Organizations

French National Honor Society  
 National Art Honor Society  
 National Honor Society  
 Quill & Scroll  
 Spanish National Honor Society

### Literary Publications

Harbinger  
 Hauberk  
 Voice

### Co-Curricular Activities

Competitive Speech and Drama  
 Debate  
 Mock Trial  
 National Forensic League

## 2017 College Admissions' Acceptances

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Arizona State University  
University of Arkansas  
Auburn University  
Avila University  
Baker University  
Belmont University  
Benedictine College  
Boston College  
Boston University  
Bowdoin College  
Brown University  
California Polytechnic State University  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Central Connecticut State University  
University of Central Missouri  
Chapman University  
University of Chicago  
Colgate University  
Colorado School of Mines  
Colorado State University  
Columbia College — Chicago  
Cornell College  
Creighton University  
Culinary Institute of America  
University of Dayton  
University of Denver  
DePaul University  
DePauw University  
Dodge City Community College  
Drake University  
Duke University  
Elon University  
Emily Griffith Technical School  
Eugene Lang College The New School for  
    Liberal Arts  
Fashion Institute of Technology  
Fort Scott Community College  
Hannibal LaGrange University  
Haskell Indian Nations University  
Hendrix College  
University of Illinois  
University of Illinois at Chicago  
University of Indiana  
University of Iowa  
Johnson County Community College  
University of Kansas  
Kansas City Art Institute  
Kansas State University  
Lake Forest College  
Lewis & Clark College  
Louisiana State University  
Loyola University  
Loyola University — Chicago  
MCCA — Penn Valley  
Miami University  
University of Michigan  
Midland University  
University of Minnesota — Twin Cities  
University of Mississippi  
University of Missouri — Columbia  
University of Missouri — Kansas City  
University of Missouri — St. Louis  
Missouri State University  
University of Nebraska — Lincoln  
University of Nebraska — Omaha  
University of North Texas  
Northwest Florida State College  
Northwest Missouri State University  
Northwestern University  
Oklahoma State University  
University of the Ozarks  
Parsons School of Design  
Pepperdine University  
Pittsburg State University  
University of San Diego  
University of St. Andrews  
St. John's College  
St. Petersburg College — Palm Harbor  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago  
Southern Methodist University  
University of Texas at Austin  
Texas Christian University  
Tulane University  
University of Tulsa  
University of Utah  
Vanderbilt University  
University of Vermont  
University of Virginia  
University of Washington — Tacoma  
Webster University  
Western State University  
Wheaton College  
The College of William and Mary  
William Jewell College  
Williams College  
University of Wisconsin — Milwaukee  
University of Wisconsin — Madison  
The College of Wooster