

High School Profile 2020 – 2021

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The KAUST School Mission is *"together we ignite curiosity, inspire creativity and investigate solutions. Within a nurturing environment, we empower learners to skillfully and confidently leverage opportunities to thrive and contribute in a complex world."*

- Established in 2009
- Fully Inclusive Enrollment; not-for-profit
- IB Curriculum
- K – 12 International School
- Coeducational Community School

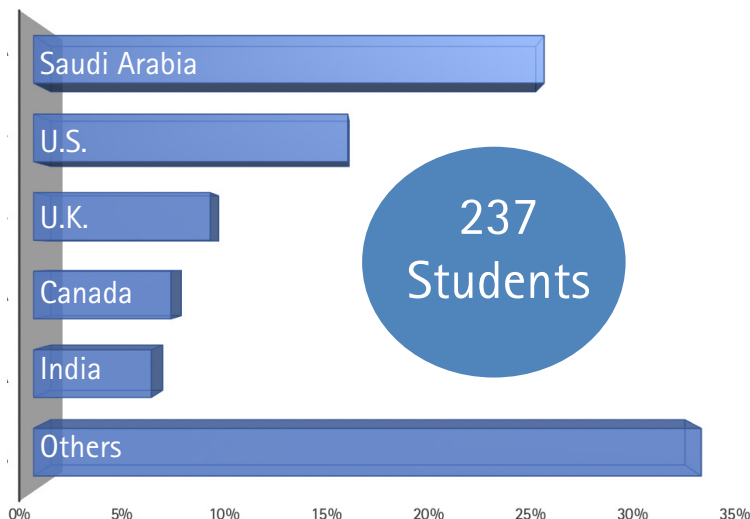
Our Student Profile is built on the characteristics of the IB Learner

- **INQUIRERS**
- **KNOWLEDGEABLE**
- **THINKERS**
- **COMMUNICATORS**
- **PRINCIPLED**
- **OPEN-MINDED**
- **RISK-TAKERS**
- **CARING**
- **BALANCED**
- **REFLECTIVE**

High School Population Split

Secondary Students	Number of Students	Percentage
Grade 9	71	30
Grade 10	62	26
Grade 11	60	25
Grade 12	44	19

36 Nationalities



The KAUST School

AT A GLANCE



Course Offerings – the language of instruction is English

Studies in Language and Literature

Grade 9 Arabic Lang. & Lit.
 Grade 9 English Lang. & Lit.
 Grade 9 Mother Tongue Lang. & Lit.
 Grade 10 Arabic Lang. & Lit.
 Grade 10 English Lang. & Lit.
 Grade 11 Arabic A (Lang. & Lit.) SL/HL
 Grade 11 English A (Lit.) SL/HL
 Grade 11 English A (Lang. & Lit.) SL/HL
 Grade 12 Arabic A (Lang. & Lit.) SL/HL
 Grade 12 English A (Lit.) SL/HL
 Grade 12 English A (Lang. & Lit.) SL/HL

Language Acquisition

Grade 9 Arabic Language Acquisition
 Grade 9 French Language Acquisition
 Grade 10 Arabic Language Acquisition
 Grade 10 French Language Acquisition
 Grade 11 Arabic B SL/HL
 Grade 11 French ab initio SL
 Grade 11 French B SL/HL
 Grade 11 Spanish ab initio SL
 Grade 11 Spanish B SL
 Grade 12 Arabic B SL
 Grade 12 French ab initio SL
 Grade 12 French B SL/HL
 Grade 12 Spanish B SL

Individuals and societies

Grade 9 Individuals & Societies
 Grade 10 Individuals & Societies
 Grade 11 Business Management SL/HL
 Grade 11 Economics SL/HL
 Grade 11 ESS SL
 Grade 11 History SL/HL
 Grade 11 Information Technology SL/HL
 Grade 11 Psychology SL/HL
 Grade 12 Business Management SL/HL
 Grade 12 Economics SL/HL
 Grade 12 ESS SL
 Grade 12 History SL/HL
 Grade 12 Information Technology SL/HL
 Grade 12 Psychology SL/HL

Sciences

Grade 9 Sciences
 Grade 9 Design
 Grade 9 Physical and Health Education
 Grade 10 Sciences
 Grade 10 Design
 Grade 10 Physical and Health Education
 Grade 11 Biology SL/HL
 Grade 11 Chemistry SL/HL
 Grade 11 Physics SL/HL
 Grade 11 Design Technology SL/HL
 Grade 12 Biology SL/HL
 Grade 12 Chemistry SL/HL
 Grade 12 Physics SL/HL
 Grade 12 Design Technology SL/HL

Mathematics

Grade 9 Mathematics
 Grade 9 Mathematics Extended
 Grade 10 Mathematics
 Grade 10 Mathematics Extended
 Grade 11 Mathematics – Analysis & Approaches SL/HL
 Grade 11 Mathematics – Applications and Interpretation SL/HL
 Grade 12 Mathematics – Analysis & Approaches SL/HL
 Grade 12 Mathematics – Applications and Interpretation SL/HL

The Arts

Grade 9 Visual Arts
 Grade 9 Drama
 Grade 9 Music
 Grade 10 Visual Arts
 Grade 10 Drama
 Grade 10 Music
 Grade 11 Music SL/HL
 Grade 11 Theatre SL/HL
 Grade 11 Visual Arts SL/HL
 Grade 12 Visual Arts SL/HL

Core

Grade 9 Service as Action
 Grade 10 Personal Project
 Grade 11 Creativity Action Service
 Grade 11 Theory of Knowledge
 Grade 12 Creativity Action Service
 Grade 12 Extended Essay/Research Paper
 Grade 12 Theory of Knowledge

Graduation Requirements

Subject	Minimum Credits*
English	4
Mathematics	3
Science	3
Humanities	3
Other Language(s)	2
Art or Music or Drama or Design	2
Physical Education	2
Accumulated Additional Credit	7
Total (Minimum)	26

*The minimum grade required to earn a credit is a 3

- Complete a Theory of Knowledge Course
- Meet requirements for CAS (Creativity, Action, Service)
- Complete the TKS Research Paper (2000 words)

Students who choose to pursue the International Baccalaureate Diploma, do so in conjunction with The KAUST School's US High School Diploma (MSA Accredited) and graduate with two diplomas.



CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

With the benefit of being located on a university campus and enclosed community, the school is able to utilize all university and community facilities to enrich our co-curricular programs. Some programs that have been developed at the school range from Model United Nations, School Council and Out of Kingdom Service Trips to a wide array of sporting teams and Band and Choir. We belong to SAIKAC – Saudi Arabian Inter Kingdom Activities Conference – and have hosted large-scale events such as sports tournaments and other regional international school events. TKS also has a comprehensive sports co-curricular program which includes:

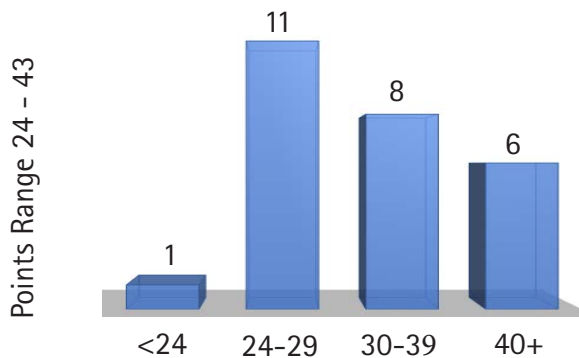
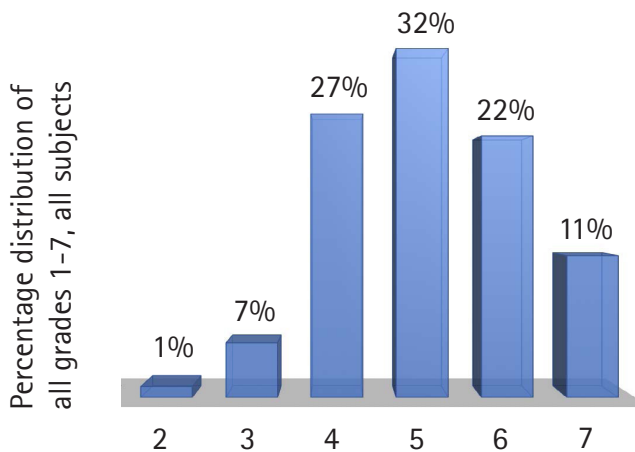
- Basketball
- Football (soccer)
- Volleyball
- Badminton
- Cross Country
- Netball
- Track & Field

Graduates

CLASS OF 2020

IB Results – Class of 2020

Number of Students taking IB exams	34
Number of IB Diploma Candidates	26
Average IB points per candidate	33
Highest IB Diploma Score	43



IB Results – Overview

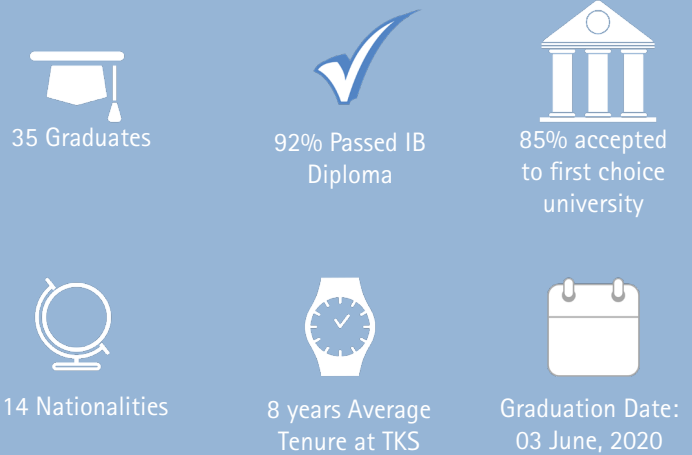
	2018	2019	2020
Number of Candidates registered for the IB Diploma	25	19	26
Number of Candidates passing the IB Diploma	18	14	24
Average Points of Candidates passing the IB Diploma	31	32	33
Highest TKS IB Diploma Score	43	38	43
IB Diploma World Average	30	30	30

SAT Results – Overview

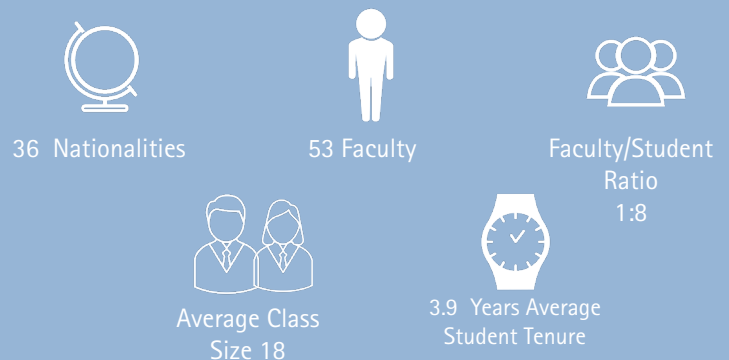
In 2020, a total of 18 students took the SAT, including students for whom English is not a first language.

	2018	2019	2020	TKS 3-YEAR MEAN	WORLD 3-YEAR MEAN
EBRW	520	522	583	542	533
Math	506	551	619	559	529
Total	1026	1073	1202	1101	1062

Class of 2020



High School At A Glance



Our Grading System

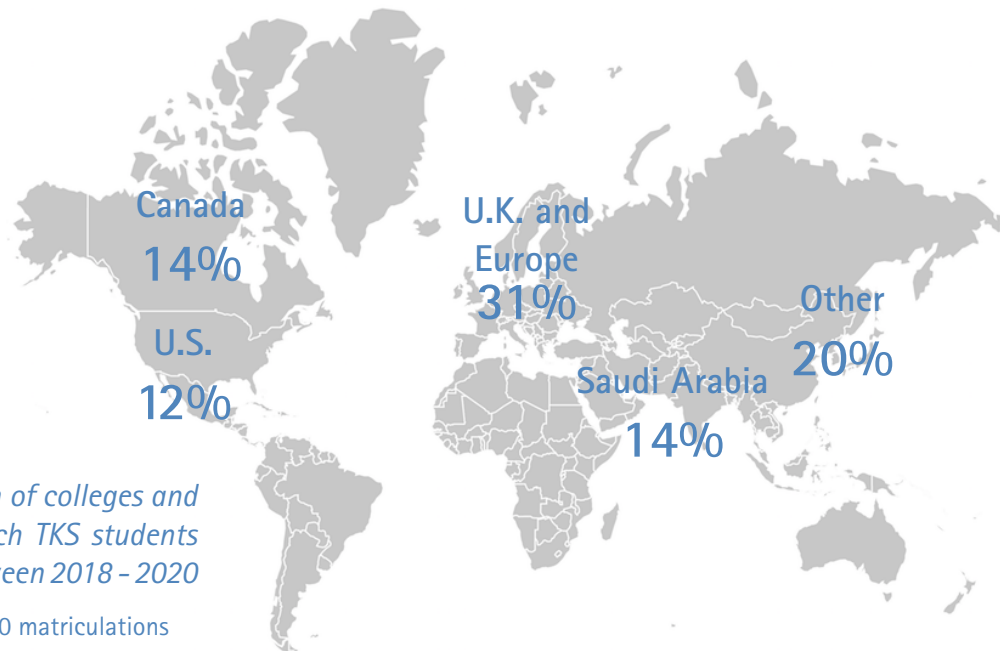
TKS employs a 7-point internal grading system influenced by, but not equivalent to, the IB 1-7 grading system. TKS does not produce or report a Grade Point Average (GPA) or rank its students.

Grade	TKS APPROXIMATE LETTER GRADE	TKS APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE RANGE	
7	A+	98 - 100	CREDIT GIVEN
6	A	90 - 97	
5	B	83 - 89	
4	C	78 - 82	
3	D	70 - 77	PASSING GRADE
2	F	60 - 69	CREDIT NOT GIVEN
1	F	0 - 59	

Please note that TKS does not utilize a letter-based grading scale. The equivalencies provided above are additionally not universally recognized or accepted and, instead, are provided to help outside educational institutions gain an appreciation of our 1 - 7 grading scale.

Graduates

UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES AND MATRICULATION



105
Total Graduates
2018 - 2020



Gap Year
9%

Below is a selection of colleges and universities to which TKS students were accepted between 2018 - 2020

* indicates class of 2020 matriculations

Saudi Arabia

Dammam Community College
Dar Al Hekma University
Effat University*
Ibn Sina National College for Medical Studies
King Abdulaziz University*
King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals
King Faisal University
University of Business and Technology
University of Jeddah
Yanbu University College

United States

Arizona State University
Boston University
Case Western Reserve University
Colorado State University
Drew University
Duke University
Elon University
Flagler College
Florida Institute of Technology
George Mason University
George Washington University
Georgia Tech
High Point University
Jefferson State Community College
Lynn University*
Mary Baldwin University, Virginia
McDaniel College
Mesa Community College
Montana State University
New York University
North Carolina State University
Pennsylvania State University
Purdue University
Quinnipiac University
Rice University
Salt Lake Community College
San Diego Mesa College
Southern Methodist University
Southern Utah University
Texas A&M University
University at Albany
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Riverside

University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Colorado
University of Houston
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign*
University of Maryland
University of Mass Lowell
University of Michigan
University of Minnesota
University of North Carolina, Asheville
University of North Texas
University of Pittsburgh
University of San Diego
University of San Francisco
University of South Florida
University of Tampa*
University of Texas, Austin
University of Texas, Dallas
University of Texas, San Antonio
University of Tulsa
University of Virginia*
University of Wisconsin
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Tech
Western Michigan University*
Westminster College
Whitman College

Canada

Concordia University
Dalhousie University
Lakeland College Alberta
McGill University
McMaster University
Memorial University of Newfoundland
Queen's University
Ryerson University*
Simon Fraser University
Trent University
University of Alberta
University of British Columbia*
University of Guelph-Humber*
University of Ottawa
University of Toronto*
University of Toronto, Scarborough
University of Victoria
University of Waterloo
Western University

Wilfrid Laurier University

United Kingdom
Arts University Bournemouth
Bournemouth University
Buckinghamshire New University
De Montfort University
Durham University*
King's College London
Loughborough University
Nottingham Trent University
Queen Mary University of London
Ravensbourne University London
Royal Holloway University of London
Sheffield Hallam University
Swansea University*
The University of Edinburgh
University College London
University of Aberdeen
University of Chester
University of Derby
University of Dundee
University of Glasgow
University of Leeds
University of Leicester
University of Lincoln
University of Liverpool
University of London
University of Manchester
University of Portsmouth
University of Reading
University of Sheffield
University of St. Andrews
University of Surrey*
University of Sussex
University of Wales Trinity Saint David
University of Westminster
University of York

Other

American University of Madaba, Jordan
American University of Sharjah, United Arab Emirates
Amity University, India*
Amsterdam University College, Netherlands*
Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines
Bahcesehir University, Turkey
Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium*
Charles University, Czech Republic*
College of Engineering Pathanapuram, India

Curtin University, Australia
De La Salle University, Philippines
Erasmus University, Netherlands*
Hacettepe University, Turkey
Istanbul Bilgi University, Turkey
Jagiellonian University, Poland
Jamia Millia Islamia, India
Lahore Medical and Dental College, Pakistan
Leiden University, Netherlands
Maastricht University, Netherlands
Manipal Academy of Higher Education, India*
Medical University, Bahrain
Monash University, Malaysia
Nanyang Technological University, Singapore*
National University, Malaysia*
National University, Singapore
Northwestern University in Qatar
North-West University, South Africa*
Poznan University of Medical Sciences, Poland
Radboud University, Netherlands
Sabanci University, Turkey
Swiss Hotel Management School, Switzerland*
Singapore Polytechnic, Singapore
Symbiosis International, India
Tilburg University, Netherlands
University College Cork, Ireland
University College Utrecht, Netherlands
University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
University of Debrecen, Hungary
University of Groningen, Netherlands
University of Santo Tomas-Legazpi, Philippines
University of Sharjah, UAE
University of Sydney, Australia
University of Szeged, Hungary
University of Twente, Netherlands
University Putra, Malaysia
Utrecht University, Netherlands
Vellore Institute of Technology, India
Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand
Vrije University Amsterdam, Netherlands*
Weill Cornell Medical College, Qatar*
Yeditepe University, Turkey