Kingdom Preparatory Academy

Kingdom Preparatory Academy is a classical, Christian, collaborative school founded in 2002. Spanning grades PreK to 12th, KPA aspires to educate students holistically including the maturation of their minds, bodies, and souls. Students learn time management and responsibility through a college-style schedule where classes meet two days or three days per week. Both the curriculum and pedagogy of KPA's classes create a unique and superior learning experience.

Distinctives

Classical Curriculum: All core academic classes are taught at an honors level. These courses incorporate the Great Books and hands-on learning in the sciences. English and history classes engage in the conversation of Western civilization through great books like *The Epic of Gilgamesh*, *The Odyssey*, *Herodotus's Histories*, the Bible, Augustine's *Confessions*, *Beowulf*, many works of Shakespeare, Dante's *Inferno*, Machiavelli's *The Prince*, Shelley's *Frankenstein*, Marx's *Communist Manifesto*, Paine's *Common Sense*, Frederick Douglass's *Autobiography*, and many other classic texts.

Senior Thesis: At the end of their senior year, all students must present and defend a thesis research project. In the creation of this work, students will refine skills in research, writing, rhetoric, and logic. This learning experience culminates with a 20 minute public oral presentation that is graded for style and content according to the standards of classical rhetoric, followed by a question and answer period from the audience.

The Grand Tour: Students travel to the historical and cultural sites of Athens, Delphi, Corinth, Olympia, Florence, and Rome near the end of their junior year. This trip constitutes a transformative learning experience for students that draws upon all of their core studies.

Logic and Rhetoric: As a classical school that teaches the trivium, all students are required to complete courses in logic and rhetoric. These classes focus on the skills of reasoning well and expressing oneself articulately and winsomely.

Humanities: All students are required to complete four years of history and English that proceed in chronological sequence. Freshmen study the ancient epoch, sophomores study the medieval era, juniors study the early modern period, and seniors study modern history. Students receive a strong foundation in the humanities through these courses that emphasize developments in economics, government, philosophy, and theology in addition to literature and history.

Sciences: All diploma plans require four years of science classes that involve hands-on laboratory work as an integral part of learning. Freshmen study Biology I (general biology), sophomores study Chemistry, juniors study Biology II (human anatomy and physiology), and seniors study Physics.

Fine Arts: Students create, practice, and perform in a minimum of 1.5 credits of fine arts (in addition to 1 credit of rhetoric). Fine arts studies include Art, Theatre, and Music (choir).

Mathematics: Four years of mathematics are required for all diploma-seeking students, including Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and at least one more course of their choosing from College Algebra or Precalculus. Additional GPA weighting is given for advanced math courses, Precalculus and Calculus.

Classical Languages: Students are required to complete a year of Latin or Greek as a foundation for studying linguistics. Students may continue studying Greek/Latin for two more years or two years of Spanish to satisfy KPA's three-credit foreign language requirement. High honors are awarded for completing a third or fourth year of study in classical languages or Spanish.

Discipleship: The discipleship curriculum revolves around equipping students in two ways: to understand worldviews and to practice leadership. The study of worldviews examines both the biblical worldview and alternative worldviews. In their senior year, students participate in a capstone discipleship practicum on leadership.

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KPA serves over 275 students from Pre-K to 12th grade. At the high school level, KPA competes in athletics, fine arts, and academics through TAPPS. In 2019, TAPPS awarded KPA the Henderson Cup, recognizing the school as the overall state champion.

Kingdom Preparatory Academy is fully accredited by the **Society for Classical Learning** (SCL) and the **Middle States Association Commissions on Elementary and Secondary Schools** (MSA-CESS).

78% of academic teachers in the School of Rhetoric have earned an advanced graduate-level degree.

While enrollment for academic classes cap at 24, the average class size is **12.4 students per class**.

Honors Diploma

Honors English	4 credits
Honors History	4 credits
Honors Mathematics	4 credits
Honors Science (lab courses)	4 credits
Honors Logic	1 credit
Honors Foreign Language	3 credits
✧1 credit must be Latin I or Greek I	
Fine Arts	2.5 credits
✧1 credit must be Rhetoric/Sr. Thesis	
Electives	1.5 credits
Discipleship	2 credits
	Total 26 credits

Grade Point Averages

Letter	Number	GPA
A	100-93	4.0
A-	92-90	3.7
B+	89-87	3.3
B	86-83	3.0
B-	82-80	2.7
C+	79-77	2.3
C	76-74	2.0
D	73-70	1.0
F	69-0	0

High Honors Diploma

In addition to meeting all the Honors Diploma requirements, students who earn KPA's High Honors Diploma are required to complete **four years of a foreign language** and **three advanced academic measures**.

One advanced academic measure is earned for completing a year-long advanced academic course (Precalculus, Calculus, the third and fourth years of a classical language, Spanish III, or Spanish IV).

Half of an advanced academic measure is earned for completing a semester-long advanced academic course (Philosophy, Economics, Apologetics, etc.) or for meeting the school's standards in an academic competition (National History Day, Science Fair, or Poetry Portfolio).

For each advanced academic measure completed, a student's GPA is weighted by an additional 0.3 points.

GPA, Valedictorian, Class Ranking

KPA only ranks the top ten 10 percent for each graduating class for the purpose of admissions to Texas public universities. To receive the honor of Valedictorian or Salutatorian, a student must graduate with a High Honors diploma.

Coursework at KPA is rigorous and challenging, and consequently **it is unusual for a student to earn all A's in this academic environment**. Even with some opportunities to earn extra GPA weighting, it is rare for students to graduate with a GPA greater than 4.0. For instance, **the average cumulative weighted GPA for graduates from 2018-2026 was 3.70**.

House Leadership

Students are placed in one of four houses where they have opportunities to grow in leadership and service. Houses foster an atmosphere of teamwork, responsibility, and accountability. Students apply for leadership positions represented within each house, such as "House Head" and "House Tenant." In these positions, students take ownership and responsibility for student-led activities and community service.

Community Service

All students are required to complete **40 hours** of community service during their four years of high school in order to graduate from KPA. Each year, 12–14 students are selected through a highly competitive application process to serve as Student Ambassadors, leading in the areas of Spiritual Life, Student Life, and Service.

SAT Profile

KPA Avg. (2021-2026): 1205
Texas Avg. (2026): 971

ACT Profile

KPA Avg. (2021-2026): 23
Texas Avg. (2024): 19.4

CLT Profile

KPA Avg. (2021-2026): 83

National Merit

Since 2009, **eight** KPA students have been recognized as **National Merit Commended Scholars**.

National Honor Society

In recognition of outstanding leadership, service, character, and scholarship, qualifying students are invited to join KPA's chapter of the National Honor Society. Membership requirements include demonstrating leadership, completing an additional 10 hours of community service, and maintaining a GPA of at least 3.5.

College Acceptances and Matriculation

Partial list; ***bold*** indicates a matriculation.

Abilene Christian Univ.
Auburn University
Baylor University
Belmont University
Black Hills State Univ.
Colorado State Univ.
Duke University
Eckerd College
George Washington Univ.
Hardin-Simmons Univ.
Harding University
Johns Hopkins University
Lawrence University
LeTourneau University
Lewis and Clark College
Liberty University
Lubbock Christian University
Midwestern State University
Northwestern University
Oklahoma Christian Univ.
Oklahoma State University
Rhodes College
Southern Nazarene University
Southwestern University
Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
Texas State University
Texas Tech University
Trinity University
University of Chicago
University of Georgia
Univ. of Mary Hardin-Baylor
Univ. of North Texas
Wayland Baptist University
West Point Military Academy
West Texas A&M University