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McKinney Christian Academy exists to honor Jesus Christ by teaching students to live biblically through education of mind, body and spirit.

2023-24 School Profile

School:

McKinney Christian Academy is a nondenominational Covenant school. Founded in 1992, MCA offers a biblical worldview education across all disciplines, PreK through 12th grade. We partner with the family and church to equip students who are fully prepared academically and inspired to live boldly for Christ.

Accreditation/Memberships:

Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI)
 Cognia®
 The College Board
 National Honor Society
 North American Coalition for Christian Admissions Professionals (NACCAP)
 Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
 TX Association of Non-Public Schools
 TX Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS)
 TX Association of Private Schools (TAPS)

Faculty:

The faculty is comprised of 59 certified teachers; 36% hold advanced degrees. All employees have a personal testimony of faith in Jesus Christ.

| 2022-23 | Enrollment | Class Size: | Student : Teacher Ratio |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| PK4-12 th | 667 | PK: 16 | 9:1 |
| PK4-5 th | 302 | K-5: 20 | 9:1 |
| 6 th -8 th | 157 | 6-8 : 20 | 7:1 |
| 9 th -12 th | 208 | 9-12: 24 | 7:1 |

Admissions:

Admission is a selective process. Students from Christian homes and who demonstrate an acceptable level of capability are admitted based on personal testimonies, previous school records, standardized test scores, personal recommendations, evaluations, and interviews. As part of the Covenant Relationship, it is important for each of our families to understand and agree with the basic Biblical standards upon which MCA was founded. MCA seeks to enroll students from all socio-economic and ethnic backgrounds and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color or nationality in the administration of any program.

Community:

MCA has a peaceful, 60-acre campus in the heart of McKinney, Texas, just 30 miles north of downtown Dallas. McKinney is a diverse, picturesque community of 220,000 that has managed to maintain a small-town feel. The city has a charming historic downtown, beautiful green spaces, and vibrant quality of life activities for all ages. McKinney has a highly educated demographic and has been ranked Top Five Best Places to Live by *Money Magazine* numerous times, including #1 in 2014. The robust economy in McKinney includes a mix of high-tech, healthcare, manufacturing, and professional offices.

Extra-Curricular Activities:

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|-------------------------------|-------|
| Chapel | PK-12 |
| Art | PK-12 |
| Music | PK-5 |
| Spanish | PK-5 |
| Honor Choir | 4-5 |
| Band | 6-12 |
| Choir | 6-12 |
| Theatre | 7-12 |
| ACSI Speech & Spelling | 3-8 |
| Math Olympics | 3-8 |
| Robotics | 6-12 |
| Clubs & Honor Societies | 9-12 |
| Debate | 9-12 |
| Student Government | 6-12 |
| TAPPS Art, Academics & Speech | 9-12 |

Athletics:

| | VB | VG | JVB | JVG | MSB | MSG |
|---------------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Baseball | x | | x | | x | |
| Basketball | x | x | x | | x | x |
| Cheer | | x | | | | x |
| Cross Country | x | x | | | x | x |
| Football | x | | | | x | |
| Golf | x | x | | | x | x |
| Soccer | x | x | | | x | x |
| Softball | | x | | | | x |
| Track & Field | x | x | | | x | x |
| Volleyball | | x | | x | | x |
| Wrestling | x | | | | x | |

Curricular Distinctives:

A McKinney Christian Academy education incorporates a rigorous academic curriculum with Christian worldview training and biblical integration across the disciplines. Instruction emphasizes critical thinking skills in a multisensory learning environment. Technology is used creatively in the classroom, creating a stimulating, interactive, educational experience. An exemplary fine arts program, outstanding athletics, and a well-rounded selection of elective coursework and upper and middle school missions and educational trips offer many opportunities for students to mature their God-given talents. We strive to be a springboard for students in the pursuit of lives that encounter, enjoy and express the love of God through excellence in every endeavor.

Spiritual Distinctives:

- ◇ Daily Bible instruction and Christian worldview integration in all subjects.
- ◇ Chapel weekly for all students.
- ◇ Small discipleship groups meet weekly for upper school and middle school.
- ◇ Upper school students serve in mission work internationally, locally or regionally one week in spring and serve together in the community other times during the year.
- ◇ Middle school students serve together in the community and organize service projects throughout the year.
- ◇ Lower school homeroom classes each participate in a service project(s).

Standardized Test Performance

PreACT 8/9 2023

Grade 8 Composite: 19 [nat'l 16*]

PreACT 2023

Grade 9 Composite: 22 [nat'l 17*]

Grade 10 Composite: 22 [nat'l 18*]

PSAT Fall 2022

grade 10 Total Score: 1016 [nat'l 916]

grade 11 Total Score: 1062 [nat'l 994]

**Based on National Norms for PreACT 8/9 and PreACT*

Student Campus Life Involvement:

Fine Arts: 69% high school students
 100% middle school students

Athletics: 75% high school students
 94% middle school students

Directed Studies Program:

This unique program is designed to equip students diagnosed with mild learning differences to achieve their maximum potential in mainstream college preparatory curriculum.

International Student Program:

Program for international students holding F-1 visas. Students live with host families and fully participate in academics and student life.

Sports—Lower School:

Lil' Stangs Recreational Teams: grades K-5

Upper School Profile

Class of 2023 Distinctions (Class Size: 49)

\$4,162,740 Merit Scholarship Offers

\$ 102,728 Athletic Scholarship Awards

\$1,428,408 College Scholarships Accepted

34% Scored in Top 25% Nationwide on ACT Composite and/or SAT Total

1023 Credit Hours Earned Through College Level Coursework (DC/AP)

96% Completed College Level Coursework (DC/AP)

100% College Enrollment Fall 2023

National Merit Recognition (10 yrs)

13 National Merit Commended

9 National Recognition:
Underrepresented Groups

Abilene Christian University*
Auburn University
Austin College
Baylor University*
Bethel University
Biola University
California Baptist University
Cedarville University
Clemson University
Colorado Christian University*
Colorado State University*
Dallas Baptist University*
Grand Canyon University
Harding University*
Hardin-Simmons University*
Hawaii Pacific University
Hendrix College
Howard Payne University*
Illinois State University
Indiana University Bloomington*
LeTourneau University*
Liberty University*
Louisiana Tech University
Marquette University*
McMurry University
Miami University - Oxford
Michigan State University

Class of 2023 College Acceptances

Mississippi College*
North Greenville University*
Northeastern University
Ohio State University
Oklahoma Baptist University*
Oklahoma Christian University
Oklahoma State University*
Ouachita Baptist University*
Pennsylvania State University
Reed College
Saint Louis University
Samford University
Southern Methodist University*
Tarleton State University
Texas A&M University*
Texas Christian University
Texas State University*
Texas Tech University
The University of Oklahoma*
The University of Texas at Austin*
University of Alabama
University of Arkansas
University of California Riverside
University of Central Arkansas
University of Connecticut
University of Dallas
University of Denver

University of Florida
University of Houston
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Mary-Hardin Baylor
University of Massachusetts - Amherst
University of Mississippi
University of Missouri
University of Montana*
University of Nevada - Las Vegas
University of New Mexico
University of North Florida
University of North Texas*
University of Notre Dame*
University of Pittsburgh
University of Texas at Arlington*
University of Texas at Dallas
University of the Ozarks
University of the Pacific
University of Toronto
University of Utah
University of Washington
University of Waterloo
University of Wyoming

*indicates fall 2023 matriculation

Graduation Requirements

| Department | College Prep | *Honors I | *Honors II |
|---------------|--------------|-----------|------------|
| Bible | 1/yr | 1/yr | 1/yr |
| English | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Math | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Science | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Soc. Studies | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| For. Lang. | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Speech | .5 | .5 | .5 |
| Fine Arts | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| PE | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| STEM | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Total Credits | 27 | 27 | 27 |

*Honors Diploma: 3.75 GPA + 4 AP[®]/DC credits + 40 hours community service

Class of 2023 MCA ACT Scores* vs. 2022 ACT National/State

| (48 tested) | MCA | | | Nation | Texas |
|-------------|---------|---------|-----|--------|-------|
| | Top 25% | Top 50% | All | All | All |
| English | 31 | 28 | 24 | 19 | 19 |
| Math | 29 | 27 | 23 | 19 | 20 |
| Reading | 32 | 30 | 25 | 20 | 20 |
| Science | 28 | 26 | 23 | 20 | 20 |

Class of 2023 ACT/SAT Summary vs. 2022 Nat'l /State Avg

| (48 tested) | MCA | | | Nation | Texas |
|-------------|---------|---------|------|--------|-------|
| | Top 25% | Top 50% | All | All | All |
| ACT Comp | 29.3 | 26.8 | 23.5 | 19.8 | 19.8 |
| SAT Total | 1382 | 1307 | 1191 | 1050 | 1001 |

*subscores are superscored

2023 AP[®] Program (27 Students)

68% AP[®] Exam Pass Rate
34 AP[®] Exams

COVID-19 IMPACT
2020-21 Completed the full school year in-person with normal grading policies and curriculum. Online school was available without AP or honors courses; online dual credit courses were available through LeTourneau University as transfer credits. 2019-20 Normal curriculum and grading practices continued in a distance learning format through the 4th quarter. Late grade penalties waived. No semester exams were given, concluding the year one week early. Quarter 3 & 4 grades were each 50% of the semester average.

Academic Policies:

- ◇ Rank #1 (Val) and #2 (Sal); otherwise non-ranking.
- ◇ Students must meet academic criteria to enroll in AP[®], Dual Credit or Honors courses.
- ◇ Retesting and extra credit not permitted.

AP and Dual Credit Program:

- ◇ Dual credit partners: John Brown University (JBU) and LeTourneau University (LETU)
- ◇ MCA instructors are the professors; Speech & History have online professors with MCA facilitator.
- ◇ All students enrolled in an AP course must take the AP Exam.

The Class of 2023

Class size: 49
GPA range: 4.58 to 3.13
Median GPA: 4.07
GPA includes only courses taken at MCA in grades 9-12.

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| 4.5+ | 1 |
| 4.00-4.49: | 27 |
| 3.50-3.99: | 15 |
| 3.00-3.49: | 6 |

*students enrolled after fall of 10th grade excluded & not eligible for ranking (#1 or #2)

Dual Credit Courses: (*1)

Bible OT/NT (JBU) 6 hrs
Calculus (LETU) 3 hrs
College Algebra (LETU) 3 hrs
English Comp I/II (LETU) 6 hrs
Philosophy (JBU) 3 hrs
Pre-Calculus (LETU) 3 hrs
Spanish I/II (LETU) 6 hrs
Speech (LETU) 3 hrs
Statistics (LETU) 3 hrs
U.S. History I/II (LETU) 6 hrs

Advanced Placement[®] Courses: (*1)

Biology
Calculus AB
Computer Science Principles
Physics 1
U.S. Government & Politics

Honors Courses: (*.5)

Algebra 2
Anatomy & Physiology
Bible OT/NT
Chemistry
Introduction to Java
Spanish 3 (20-21 only)

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