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INFORMATION FOR COLLEGE ADMISSIONS OFFICERS, 2021-2022
Vanguard's Core Values: Rigor, Responsibility and Respect

Mission: Vanguard College Preparatory School is a non-parochial, independent school in Waco, Texas that prepares our students for academic success and fulfilling lives. The foundation of the Vanguard experience is based on our core values – rigor, responsibility, and respect. The community of Vanguard students, faculty, administrators, and parents are committed to a personalized learning experience that prepares each student to excel at the collegiate level. This commitment is what truly makes Vanguard Waco's best high school.

School: Vanguard College Preparatory School is a private, independent, coeducational, college preparatory day school for students in grades 7-12. Current enrollment is 241, which includes our international residential students.

Vanguard has a college-style campus with small academic class sizes where students get individualized attention for grades 7-12. Vanguard focuses on a complete education that emphasizes excellence in academics, the arts, athletics and other activities like clubs and community service. Academically, the School offers a comprehensive program enabling our students to think independently, to write and speak with clarity, and to appreciate the values and joys of the humanities, the arts, and the sciences. We hope that our students will graduate from Vanguard with a feeling of self-confidence and pride in their particular talents, capable of attending the colleges of their choice, and well prepared for what lies ahead. Our students also learn the importance of self-discipline, respect, personal responsibility and compassion.

The teaching faculty is comprised of 25 faculty members. The teacher-student ratio is 1:9 with an average class size of 13. The academic year begins on August 18. The first semester ends on December 17, and the second semester ends with graduation on May 27. Students are supported and encouraged to develop valuable study skills and the self-discipline necessary to succeed in postgraduate experiences. Opportunities for independent study are available.

Accreditation: Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and approved by the Texas Education Agency.

Memberships: Include National Association of Independent Schools, Southern Association of Independent Schools, Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools, Texas Association of Non-Public Schools, The College Board, National Association of College Admission Counseling, Texas Association of College Admission Counseling.

Graduation Requirements:

4	English
4	Social Science (must include World Hist, US Hist, Econ/Gov)
2	Foreign Language (Spanish, French or Latin)
4	Math (must include Geometry and Algebra II)
4	Science (must include Biology I and Chemistry I)
1	Technology Applications
1	Fine Arts
1/2	Speech
1 1/2	Physical Education
1	College Preparation (PSAT/SAT/ACT, College Admission)
<u>1</u>	<u>Elective</u>
24	Total (minimum)

Recommended High School Diploma (RHSP)

Advanced Placement:

Open enrollment is offered in the following 15 AP courses:
Eng Lit/Comp - Eng Lang/Comp - Calculus BC - Biology - Chemistry - Art History - European History - Comp. Science A - Spanish Lang/Comp - Latin - French - Government - U.S. History - 2D/3D Art - Drawing

Vanguard had 63 students take 122 AP Examinations with 71.3% receiving scores of 3 or higher. There were 12 students awarded AP Scholar, 6 students awarded AP Scholars with Honor, and 10 students awarded AP Scholar with Distinction. All Vanguard AP students are required to take the AP exam.

Numerical Grade Scale: Numerical grades are awarded grade points based on a 4.0 scale according to course designation. On the transcript grades are listed, and the GPA is shown both weighted and unweighted.

97-100	A+	93-96	A	90-92	A-
87-89	B+	83-86	B	80-82	B-
77-79	C+	73-76	C	70-72	C-
67-69	D+	63-66	D	60-62	D-

Ranking: Vanguard does not rank students.

Course Designation: Courses are designated CP (College Preparatory, ADV (Advanced), H (Honors) and AP (Advanced Placement). Advanced courses are advanced core academic curriculum requirements. Honors courses are academic courses taken above the core academic curriculum requirements. A grade of A received in these course levels would receive the following value: CP-4.0, ADV-4.5, H-4.75 and AP-5.0.

CLASS OF 2021 PROFILE

30 students graduated in May 2021

2021 SAT SUMMARY - 20 STUDENTS TESTED		
SECTION	MIDDLE 50%	MEAN
EBRW	620-680	630
Math	570-720	650
Total	1170-1360	1280

2021 ACT COMPOSITE - 24 STUDENTS TESTED		
MEAN	MIDDLE 50%	TOP 10%
27	23-30	33

National Merit Competition: 3 Commended Scholars
2 Hispanic Scholars

2017-2021 COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES AND MATRICULATION

95% of our graduating seniors enroll in four-year colleges and universities. Some students elect a Gap Year. The Class of 2021 was awarded over \$3 million in academic scholarships. During the past five years, Vanguard graduates have been accepted into colleges and universities such as:

TEXAS

Abilene Christian University
Austin College*
Baylor University*
Midwestern State University*
Northwood University
Rice University
Schreiner University
Southern Methodist University*
Southwestern University*
St. Edward's University
Texas A&M University*
Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi*
Texas Christian University*
Texas Lutheran University
Texas State University
Texas Tech University*
Trinity University*
University of Houston*
University of Mary Hardin-Baylor*
University of North Texas*
University of St. Thomas
University of Texas, Arlington*
University of Texas at Austin*
University of Texas at Dallas*
University of Texas at San Antonio

Columbia University
Dartmouth University
Davidson College*
Denison University*
Duke University
Elon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University*
Emerson College
Emory University
Georgia Tech University
George Washington University
Hamilton College
Harvard University*
Lewis and Clark College
Louisiana State University*
Michigan State University*
Mount Holyoke College*
New York University*
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
Ohio State University*
Oklahoma State University
Oral Roberts University
Ouachita Baptist University*
Penn State University*
Pepperdine University*
Princeton University*
Purdue University*
Rhode Island School of Design
Rhodes College*
Rutgers University*
Samford University*
Sewanee (University of the South)
Stanford University
Stetson University
The Citadel*
Tulane University
United States Naval Academy
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
University of Arkansas*
University of California, Davis*

University of California at San Diego
University of California, Santa Cruz*
University of California Los Angeles*
University of Central Oklahoma
University of Charleston
University of Chicago*
University of Colorado Boulder*
University of Connecticut*
University of Denver
University of Georgia
University of Illinois – Urbana Champaign*
University of Iowa
University of Kansas
University of Kentucky
University of Miami
University of Mississippi
University of Missouri*
University of Nebraska
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of North Dakota*
University of Notre Dame*
University of Oklahoma*
University of Pittsburgh
University of Rochester*
University of South Dakota*
University of Southern California
University of Tennessee
University of Tulsa
University of Wisconsin*
University of Virginia*
Vanderbilt University
Virginia Tech University
Wake Forest University*
Washington & Lee University
Washington State University*
Washington University in St. Louis
Wellesley College
West Virginia University
Wheaton College
Yale University*

OUT OF STATE

Allegheny College
Amherst College
Arizona State University*
Auburn University
Azusa Pacific University*
Belhaven University
Belmont University*
Boston University*
Bowdoin College*
Brown University
California Lutheran University*
Case Western Reserve University*
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University

*indicates one or more students matriculated