



SMALL SCHOOL BIG EDUCATION

Since 1973

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.

ACCREDITATION

Cognia NCA CASI, NWAC, SACS CASI 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 Admissions Counseling, Texas Association of College Admission Counseling.

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VANGUARD COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Vanguard College Preparatory School is a private, independent, coeducational, college preparatory day school for students in grades 7-12. Current enrollment is 267, 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 29 faculty members. The teacher-student ratio is 1:9 with an average class size of 13. The academic year begins on August 17. The first semester ends on December 16, and the second semester ends with graduation on May 26. 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.

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)
- 1 Elective
- 24 Total (minimum)

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Open enrollment is offered in the following 16 AP courses:

2D/3D Art & Design – Art History – Biology – Calculus BC – Chemistry - Computer Science A
Drawing - English Language & Comp - English Literature & Comp - European History
French – Latin - Spanish Language & Culture – U.S. Government – U.S. History

Vanguard had 67 students take 138 AP Examinations with 94% receiving scores of 3 or higher. The average AP score by Vanguard students was 3.7. There were 25 students named as AP Scholars. All Vanguard AP students are required to take the AP exam.

NUMERIC GRADE SCALE

Numerical grades are awarded grade points based on a 4.0 scale according to course designation. Grades are listed on the transcript, and 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-

CLASS RANK

Vanguard is a secondary, college preparatory school with a selective admissions process. In addition, we offer a very rigorous, challenging, and advanced curriculum. Because of the nature of our very able and competitive students participating in this type of curriculum, it is our policy not to 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 2022 PROFILE

28 students graduated in May 2022

2022 SAT SUMMARY 25 STUDENTS TESTED

Section	Middle 50%	Mean
EBRW	580-700	640
Math	580-720	650
Total	1140-1420	1290

2022 ACT COMPOSITE

Mean	Middle 50%	Top 10%
26	21-31	35

NATIONAL MERIT RECOGNITION 2017-2022

2 National Merit Finalists
9 National Merit Commended
5 National Merit Hispanic Scholars

2017-2022 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 2022 was awarded over \$2 million in academic scholarships. During the past six years, Vanguard graduates have been accepted to:

TEXAS

Abilene Christian University
Austin College*
Baylor University*
Midwestern State University*
Rice University
Schreiner University
Southern Methodist University*
Southwestern University*
St. Edward's University
Texas A&M University*
Texas A&M Univ., 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 Texas at Arlington*
University of Texas at Austin*
University of Texas at Dallas*
University of Texas at San Antonio

Cornell University*
Dartmouth University
Davidson College*
Denison University*
Duke University
Elon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Univ*
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
Univ 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 N. Carolina 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*
Brigham Young University*
Brown University
California Lutheran University*
Case Western Reserve University*
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Columbia University

*indicates one or more students matriculated