NCPA
Nansha College Preparatory Academy

School Profile 2023-2024

About NCPA

Nansha College Preparatory Academy is a private, American curriculum boarding school founded in partnership with ULink Education Group and the non-profit, Princeton-based International Schools Services (ISS). We are an English-medium school serving Chinese national students.

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ACCREDITATION
The Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) granted NCPA full accreditation status.

Enrollment 2023-2024
Grade 9-12: 532
Class of 2024: 101
Student to Faculty Ratio: 6:1
Faculty: 83

School Calendar
The school calendar has 180 days of instruction, starting in August and ending in June every year.

OUR MISSION

Nansha College Preparatory Academy is a learning community that empowers students to achieve academic and social excellence. NCPA is an English-language immersion school that prepares students for success in higher learning.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

- 8 credits required yearly
- Pre-AP® English is used in G9 & G10
- A minimum of 4 AP® courses are required to graduate
- NCPA is an AP® Capstone School
- On average, NCPA students take 6 AP® courses before they graduate

19 AP® course offerings: Seminar, Research, Pre-Calculus, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics, Computer Science A, Computer Science Principles, Biology, Chemistry, Physics 1, Environmental Science, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Psychology, English Language and Composition, Studio Art: Drawing, 2D Design and 3D Design.

English is the instructional language for all classes, except Chinese Literature. Our English immersion program with emphasis on academic English language distinguishes us from other international schools serving Chinese nationals. Our curriculum is aligned to the Common Core State Standards for English and Math.

SOCIAL EXCELLENCE

- Our curriculum includes 30 elective courses offered across all departments
- Our after school program boasts over 200 activities including Model UN, Yearbook, Student Government, FBLA, National Honor Society and Tri-M Honor Society
- NCPA offers 16 competive sports and intramurals
- Students have dedicated onsite support from their college and social emotional counselors
- Our grade 9 students meet every other day in small groups with their faculty advisors. Juniors and seniors are scheduled into semester-long seminar classes with their college counselors

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

4.0	English
4.0	Social Studies
4.0	Mathematics
4.0	Science
4.0	Chinese
3.0	Visual/Performing Arts
2.0	Health & PE
1.0	Seminar
6.0	Electives
32.0	Total Credits

AP® RESULTS 2023

228	students sat for 741 exams
58%	of our 2023 examinees earned a "3" or higher
49%	of our students took at least one AP® test in 2023
48%	of the 2023 graduates earned an AP® Award

AP® SCHOLAR AWARDS 2023

49	AP® Scholars
19	AP® Scholars with Honor
23	AP® Scholars with Distinction
9	AP® Capstone Diploma
2	AP® Seminar and Research Certificate

ASSESSMENT

NCPA is a standards-based reporting school where teachers assess knowledge and skills through a set of benchmarks across the academic year. Official report card marks are given at the end of the courses.

Students' yearly levels of achievement are reported on the following scale:

- **Exemplary (E)** – The student demonstrates evidence of thorough understanding of the required knowlege and skills and the ability to apply them consistently in a wide variety of situations.

- **Proficient (P)** – The student demonstrates consistent evidence of understanding and/or application of the required knowledge and skills.

- **Approaching (A)** – The student demonstrates partial or inconsistent evidence of understanding and/or application of the required knowledge and skills.

- **Not Yet (N)** – The student demonstrates minimal understanding and/or application of the required knowledge and skills.

GRADE WEIGHTING AND REPORTING

NCPA computes a weighted grade point average. The weighted average includes all courses taken at NCPA and counts year-end course grades based on their level, according to this system below.

WEIGHTING SYSTEM	College Prep	AP®
Exemplary (E)	4.50	5.00
Proficient (P)	3.50	4.00
Approaching (A)	2.50	3.00
Not Yet (N)	1.50	2.00
Incomplete (I)	0.00	0.00

GPA RANGES	Class of 2024
Highest	4.66
Median	3.97
Mid-range 50%	3.61 - 4.30

* Cumulative through 6th semester final grades.

CLASS OF 2016-2023 MATRICULATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES

Allegheny College
Adelphi University
Agnes Scott College
American U.
Amsterdam U. College, NL
Arizona State U.
Australian National U., AU
Babson College
Baldwin Wallace U.
Bard College
Barnard College
Bates College
Baylor U.
Becker College
Beloit College
Bentley U.
Berklee College of Music
Binghamton U.
Boston Architectural College
Boston College
Boston U.
Brandeis U.
Bryn Mawr College
Bucknell U.
California College of the Arts
California Polytechnic State U.
California State U., Long Beach
Carleton College
Carleton U.
Carnegie Mellon U.
Case Western Reserve U.
Centre College
Chapman U.
Chinese U. of Hong Kong
City U. of London
Clark U.
Clemson U.
Colby College
Colgate U.
College of the Holy Cross
Colorado College
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State U.
Columbia College, Chicago
Concordia U.- Montreal, CA
Connecticut College
Cornell College
Cornell U.
Culinary Institute of America
Dalhousie U., CA

Davidson College
Denison U.
DePauw U.
Dickinson College
Drexel U.
Durham U., UK
Ecole hôtelière de Lausanne, CH
Elon U.
Emerson College
Emily Carr U.of Art & Design
Emory University
Erasmus U. Rotterdam
Fashion Institute of Technology
Fordham U.
Franklin & Marshall College
Georgia Institute of Technology
Gettysburg College
Glion Institute of Higher Education
Gonzaga U.
Grinnell College
Hiram College
Hamilton College
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Hofstra U.
Hong Kong Baptist U.
Hong Kong Metropolitan U.
Hong Kong Poly.
Hong Kong Design Institute
HK U. of Sci & Tech
Illinois Institute of Technology
Illinois Wesleyan U.
Imperial College London
Indiana U. at Bloomington
Indiana U.-Purdue U.
Iowa State U.
Ithaca College
Johns Hopkins U.
Kent State U.
Kenyon College
Kingston U.
Lafayette College
Lancaster U., UK
Lasalle College of the Arts
Lawrence U.
Leeds Conservatoire
Lehigh U.
Lewis & Clark College
Loyola Marymount U.
Loyola U. Chicago
Maastricht Hotel Management School

Maastricht U.
Macalester College
Macao Polytechic U.
Maryland Institute College of Art
McGill U., CA
McMaster U., CA
Mass. College of Pharmacy
Miami U., Oxford
Michigan State U.
Middlebury College
Monash U., AU
Mount Holyoke College
Muhlenberg College
New York Institute of Technology
New York U.
North Carolina State U.
Northeastern U.
Northwestern U., Qatar
Oberlin College of Arts & Sciences
Occidental College
Ohio Wesleyan U.
Ontario College of Art & Design, CA
Pennsylvania State U.
Pepperdine U.
Pratt Institute
Purdue U.
Queen's U., CA
Quinnipiac U.
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhode Island School of Design
Rhodes College
Rice U.
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rollins College
Rutgers U.
Ryerson U., CA
Sacred Heart U.
San Diego State U.
San Francisco State U.
San Jose State U.
Santa Clara University
Sarah Lawrence College
SCAD HK & US
Sch. of the Art Institute of Chicago
School of Visual Arts
Seattle U.
Simon Fraser U., CA
Skidmore College
Smith College

Southern Methodist U.
St. Lawrence U.
St. Olaf College
St. Norbert College
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stony Brook U.
Swiss Hotel Management School, CA
Syracuse U.
Temple U.
Texas A&M U.
The College of Wooster
The Citadel
The George Washington U.
The Glasgow School of Art
The New School/Parsons
The Ohio State U.
The U. of Arizona
The U. of Auckland, NZ
The U. of Edinburgh, UK
The U. of Hong Kong (HKU)
The U. of Iowa
The U. of Melbourne, AU
The U. of NC, Chapel Hill
The U. of the Pacific
The U. of Portland
The U. of Queensland, AU
The U. of Southern California-USC
The U. of Texas, Arlington
The U. of Texas, Austin
Trinity College, CT
Trinity College, Dublin, IE
Tulane U.
Union College (New York)
U. at Buffalo - SUNY
U. of Aberdeen
U. of Amsterdam
U. of Bristol
U. of British Columbia, CA
U. of Calgary, CA
U. of California, Berkeley
U. of California, Davis
U. of California, Irvine
UCLA
U. of California, Riverside
U. of California, San Diego
U. of California, Santa Barbara
U. of California, Santa Cruz
U. of Cincinnati
U. of Colorado at Boulder
U. of Connecticut

U. of Delaware
U. of Denver
U. of Derby
U. of Florida
U. of Georgia
U. of Glasgow
U. of Hartford
U. of Illinois, Urbana Champaign
U. of Kansas
U. of Leicester
U. of Manchester
U. of Manitoba
U. of Maryland, College Park
U. of Massachusetts, Amherst
U. of Michigan-Ann Arbor
U. of Miami
U. of Minnesota, Twin Cities
U. of Nebraska at Lincoln
U. of Oregon
U. of Ottawa, CA
U. of Pittsburgh
U. of Redlands
U. of Richmond
U. of Rochester
U. of San Diego
U. of San Francisco
U. of Sydney, AU
U. of Toronto, CA
U. of Utah
U. of Victoria, CA
U. of Washington
U. of West London
U. of Windsor, CA
U. of Wisconsin, Madison
UNSW, AU
Ursinus College
Utah State U.
Villanova U.
Virginia Commonwealth U.
Virginia Tech
Wake Forest U.
Washington and Lee U.
Washington State U.
Western U., CA
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Wheaton College MA
Whitman College
Wilfrid Laurier U., CA
Wilkes U.
Willamette U.

* Sample University Acceptances • Student Matriculated • 2 or More Students Matriculated