

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 2022-2023

Grade 8-12: 590

Class of 2023: 133

Student to Faculty Ratio: 7:1

Faculty: 85

School Calendar

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

Response to COVID-19

In 22-23, all classes are in-person. In 19-20, online school ran from February to May. After that, NCPA only had to offer online learning for two weeks in 20-21, and two weeks in 2021-2022. Due to COVID-19 NCPA students have not had access to most standardized tests since 11/2019.

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, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics, Computer Science A, Computer Science Principles, Biology, Chemistry, Physics 1, Environmental Science, Human Geography, 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 grade 8-10 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
- NCPA offers 24 competitive sports and intramurals
- Students have dedicated onsite support from their college and social emotional counselors
- Our after school program boasts over 200 activities including Model UN, Yearbook, Student Government, FBLA, National Honor Society and Tri-M Honor Society

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 2022

309	students sat for 793 exams
48%	of our 2022 examinees earned a "3" or more
78%	of our students took at least one AP® test in 2022
65%	of the 2022 graduates earned an AP® Award

AP® SCHOLAR AWARDS 2022

45	AP® Scholars
12	AP® Scholars with Honor
35	AP® Scholars with Distinction
11	AP® Capstone Diploma
3	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 knowledge 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 partial 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 2023
Highest	4.63
Median	3.95
Mid-range 50%	3.54 - 4.28

* Cumulative through 6th semester final grades.

CLASS OF 2016-2022 MATRICULATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES

Allegheny 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
Clark U.
 Clemson U.
 Colby College
Colgate U.
College of the Holy Cross
Colorado College
 Colorado State U.
 Columbia College, Chicago
 Concordia U.- Montreal, CA
Connecticut College
Cornell College
 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
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 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
 Lafayette College
 Lancaster U., UK
Lasalle College of the Arts
 Lawrence U.
Lehigh U.
Lewis & Clark College
Loyola Marymount U.
 Loyola U. Chicago
Macalester College
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, Austin
Trinity College, CT
Trinity College, Dublin, IE
Tulane U.
Union College (New York)
U. at Buffalo - SUNY
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 Florida
 U. of Georgia
 U. of Hartford
U. of Illinois, Urbana Champaign
U. of Kansas
U. of Manchester
U. of Manitoba
U. of Maryland, College Park
U. of Massachusetts, Amherst
U. Michigan-Ann Arbor
U. of Miami
U. of Illinois, 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 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.