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**Enrollment 2020-2021**  
Grade 7-12: 600  
Class of 2021: 90  
Student to Faculty Ratio 7:1  
Faculty: 77

**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.

**English Language Immersion**  
Our English immersion program and emphasis on academic language acquisition distinguishes us from other international schools serving Chinese nationals.

**Response to COVID-19:**  
NCPA moved to online learning from February to May of 2020. Teachers provided live and video lessons. Classes this school year continue to be a mix of online and in person teaching due to the Chinese government travel ban. All academic standards have remained the same during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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## ABOUT NCPA

Nansha College Preparatory Academy (NCPA) is a private, co-educational, American curriculum boarding school operated in partnership with ULink Education Group and the non-profit, Princeton-based International Schools Services (ISS). We occupy a modern, purpose-built 31-acre campus. We are an English-medium School serving Chinese national students.

All NCPA faculty are native-level English speakers, with the exception of the Chinese language teachers. All of the content-area faculty hold North American diplomas and licensure. 69% of our faculty holds advanced degrees, including 2 with doctorates.

## ACCREDITATION

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

## ACADEMIC PROGRAM AND CURRICULUM

English is the instructional language for all classes, except Chinese Literature. Teachers across the disciplines use research-based approaches and embedded language learning strategies to enable students to access grade-level content while helping them develop academic English proficiency. The curriculum is aligned to U.S. standards including the Common Core State Standards.

## HOLISTIC EDUCATION

NCPA students are involved in activities that cultivate lifelong habits in physical health, personal and interpersonal skills, and connectedness to faculty and peers.

- Our holistic curriculum includes 30 elective courses offered across all departments.
- Our grade 7-10 students meet every other day in small groups with their faculty advisors. Juniors and seniors are scheduled into semester-long seminar classes with their counselors.
- Our ASA program boasts over 200 activities including Model UN, Yearbook, Student Government, FBLA, National Honor Society and Tri-M Honor Society; and 24 competitive team sports and intramurals.

## RIGOROUS ACADEMICS

NCPA students must complete 8 credits annually. All students must pass a minimum of 4 AP® courses, one in each core content area. AP® courses are open to all students and most take 7 AP® courses over four years. NCPA is an AP® Capstone school.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

<b>4.0 English</b>
<b>4.0 Social Studies</b>
<b>4.0 Mathematics</b>
<b>4.0 Science</b>
<b>4.0 Chinese</b>
<b>3.0 Fine/Performing Arts</b>
<b>2.0 Health &amp; PE</b>
<b>1.0 Seminar</b>
<b>6.0 Electives</b>
<b>32.0 Total Credits</b>

## AP® RESULTS 2020

- 17 AP® course offerings: Art: Draw & 2D, Biology, Calculus AB & BC, Chemistry, Computer Science A & Principles, English Language, Environmental Science, Human Geography, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Physics 1, Statistics, Seminar and Research.
- 215 students sat for 505 exams.
- Our mean AP® exam score across all current programs was 3.13; 67% of our 2020 examinees earned a "3" or more.
- 79% of the Class of 2020 earned a "3" or more on at least one AP exam.
- 59% of the class earned AP Awards.

## AP® SCHOLAR AWARDS 2020

<b>AP® Scholars</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>AP® Scholars with Honor</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>AP® Scholars with Distinction</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>AP® Capstone Diploma</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>AP® Seminar and Research Certificate</b>	<b>4</b>

## 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 year. At the end of Semester 1, teachers in year-long courses report only a student's progress to date in relation to that year's set of standards and benchmarks.

**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 minimal understanding and/or application of the required knowledge and skills.

## CLASS OF 2016-2020 MATRICULATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES

There were 136 graduates in 2020 and 100% of NCPA college applicants received acceptances.

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

**Allegheny College**  
**American U.**  
**Arizona State U.**  
 Australian National U.  
**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 Polytechnic State U.  
 California State U., Long Beach  
 Carleton College  
 Carleton 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  
**Connecticut College**  
**Cornell College**  
 Dalhousie U.  
 Davidson College  
**Denison U.**

DePauw U.  
 DePauw U.  
**Dickinson College**  
**Drexel U.**  
**Ecole hôtelière de Lausanne**  
 Elon U.  
**Emerson College**  
 Emily Carr Univ. of Art & Design  
**Emory University**  
**Fashion Institute of Technology**  
**Fordham U.**  
**Franklin & Marshall College**  
 Georgia Institute of Technology  
 Gettysburg College  
 Grinnell College  
**Hiram College**  
 Hobart and William Smith Colleges  
**Hofstra U.**  
 Hong Kong Baptist U.  
**Hong Kong Design Institute**  
**HK U. of Sci & Tech**  
 Illinois Institute of Technology  
 Illinois Wesleyan U.  
**Indiana U at Bloomington**  
 Indiana U-Purdue U.  
 Iowa State U.  
 Ithaca College  
**Johns Hopkins U.**  
 Kent State U.  
 Kenyon College  
 Lafayette College  
 Lawrence U.  
**Lehigh U.**  
**Lewis & Clark College**  
**Loyola Marymount U.**  
 Loyola U. Chicago  
**Macalester College**  
 Macquarie U.  
**Maryland Institute College of Art**  
 McGill U.  
**McMaster U.**  
 Mass. College of Pharmacy  
 Miami U., Oxford

**Michigan State U.**  
**Middlebury College**  
**Monash U.**  
**Mount Holyoke College**  
**Muhlenberg College**  
 New York Institute of Technology  
**New York U.**  
 North Carolina State U.  
**Northeastern U.**  
**Northeastern U., Qatar**  
 Oberlin College of Arts & Sciences  
**Occidental College**  
 Ohio Wesleyan U.  
**Ontario College of Art & Design**  
**Pennsylvania State U.**  
**Pepperdine U.**  
**Pratt Institute**  
**Purdue U.**  
 Queen's U.  
 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.**  
 Sacred Heart U.  
 Saint Mary's College of California  
 San Diego State U.  
 San Francisco State U.  
**San Jose State U.**  
**Sarah Lawrence College**  
 SCAD HK & US  
**Sch. of the Art Institute of Chicago**  
**School of Visual Arts**  
 Seattle U.  
**Simon Fraser U.**  
**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**  
**Syracuse U.**  
**Temple U.**  
 Texas A&M U.  
**The College of Wooster**  
 The Citadel  
**The George Washington U.**  
**The New School/Parsons**  
**The Ohio State U.**  
**The U. of Arizona**  
 The U. of Auckland-NZ  
**The U. of Edinburgh**  
**The U. of Hong Kong (HKU)**  
**The U. of Iowa**  
**The U. of Melbourne**  
 The U. of NC, Chapel Hill  
 The U. of the Pacific  
 The U. of Portland  
**The U of Queensland**  
 The Univ. of Southern California-USC  
 The U. of Texas, Austin  
**Trinity College, CT**  
 Trinity College, Dublin  
**Tulane U.**  
**Union College (New York)**  
**Univ. at Buffalo - SUNY**  
**U of British Columbia**  
**U of Calgary**  
**Univ. of California, Berkeley**  
**Univ. of California, Davis**  
**Univ. of California, Irvine**  
**UCLA**  
**Univ. of California, Riverside**  
**Univ. of California, San Diego**  
**Univ. of California, Santa Barbara**  
**Univ. 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  
**Univ. of Illinois, Urbana Champaign**  
**U. of Kansas**  
**U. of Maryland, College park**  
**Univ. of Massachusetts, Amherst**  
**U. Mich-Ann Arbor**  
**U. of Miami**  
**U. of Minnesota, Twin Cities**  
 U. of Nebraska at Lincoln  
 U. of Oregon  
**U. of Ottawa**  
**U. of Pittsburgh**  
**U. of Redlands**  
**U. of Richmond**  
**U. of Rochester**  
 U. of San Diego  
**U. of San Francisco**  
**U. of Sydney**  
**U. of Toronto**  
**U. of Utah**  
 U. of Victoria  
**U. of Washington**  
 U. of Windsor  
**U. of Wisconsin, Madison**  
 UNSW Australia  
 Ursinus College  
 Utah State U.  
 Villanova U.  
 Virginia Commonwealth U.  
**Virginia Tech**  
**Wake Forest U.**  
**Washington State U.**  
**Western U.**  
**Worcester Polytechnic Institute**  
**Wheaton College MA**  
**Whitman College**  
 Wilfrid Laurier U.  
 Wilkes U.  
 Willamette U.

## 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	2021*
Highest	4.61
Median	3.98
Mid-range 50%	3.59 - 4.24

\* Cumulative through 6th semester final grades.

## SAT PERFORMANCE CLASS OF 2020-2021

	NCPA Mean Score		Middle 50%	
	2020	2021	2020	2021
ERW	525	n/a*	460-600	n/a*
Math	680	n/a*	625-740	n/a*
Overall	1202	n/a*	1090-1310	n/a*

\* Data unavailable for class of 2021 due to lack of access to testing