

## SCHOOL PROFILE 2020-2021

Oakland School for the Arts is a public charter school in the Oakland Unified School District that opened its doors in 2002 with a mission to offer immersive arts experiences in a college preparatory setting. The school curriculum revolves around the concept of integration, both between academic subjects and with the arts. OSA currently serves 801 students in grades 6-12.

### **Admission**

Each student who attends OSA must audition into one of nine art sub-pathways:

- Dance
- Digital Media
- Fashion Design
- Instrumental Music
- Literary Arts
- Production Design
- Theater
- Visual Art
- Vocal Music

Applicants for grades 7-12 currently audition before a panel of faculty/staff who assess their artistic talent and potential. Upon acceptance to the school, academic placement is determined based upon the student's prior preparation for a challenging academic curriculum.

### **Schedule**

Our on campus high school day runs from 8:15am – 4:15pm. Students take five academic classes in the morning and have a 3-hour immersive art block in the afternoon. Off-campus performance opportunities, as well as extra rehearsals, often take students' time in the evenings and on weekends.

Since March 2020, our campus remains closed due to COVID-19. Students attend online synchronous classes two hours per week for each academic period and spend two hours in the afternoon for their arts periods.

### **Curriculum**

OSA graduates meet the University of California "a-g" guidelines by completing the following required series of courses:

Art	4 years
<i>Technique, Theory, and Production</i>	
English	4 years
Laboratory Science	2 years
Mathematics	3 years
Social Science	4 years
World Language	2 years
Advanced Elective	1 year

### **Honors Offerings:**

- English II
- English III
- Environmental Science
- Ethnic Studies
- Physics
- Pre-Calculus
- Spanish

### **Advanced Placement Offerings:**

*Available to our 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students*

- AP Calculus
- AP Psychology
- AP US History
- AP Studio Art
- AP Music Theory

### **Dual Enrollment Offerings:**

- Statistics
- English 1A

Students must receive a grade of D or better in order to pass any class. Grade point averages are weighted for AP, Honors and college offerings.

As a college preparatory institution, Oakland School for the Arts supports homework as an instructional tool and students have approximately twenty hours of work – academic and artistic – to do outside of class each week. Institutionally, we advise students to be very cautious of

outside commitments, including jobs or artistic work with other organizations, as the long and demanding school day leaves them very little on-campus time to devote to completing their assignments. Students who do manage additional extra-curricular activities demonstrate stellar time management and study skills.

### **Grading**

OSA assigns letter grades using a 4.0 system as follows:

A	93-100	C+	77-79
A-	90-92	C	73-76
B+	87-89	C-	70-72
B	83-86	D	60-69
B-	80-82	F	0-59

### **Academic Honors**

Each semester students with a GPA of 3.0-3.49 are given academic recognition, while those with a 3.5 or above are given academic honors



*Awarded Spring 2009  
California Department of Education*

## College Acceptances 2012 – 2020

Below is a list of colleges and universities that have offered admission to OSA graduates over the past eight years.

Academy of Art University	San Diego,	Georgia Institute of	Long Island University,
Adelphi University	Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz	Technology	Brooklyn
Agnes Scott College	Carnegie Mellon University	Gettysburg College	London Academy of Music
Alabama A&M University	Castleton University	Gordon College	and
Alabama State University	Catawba College	Goucher College	Dramatic Art
AMDA	Cazenovia College	Grambling State University	London College of
American University	Central Saint Martins College	Guildhall School of Music &	Communication
American University of Paris	of Art & Design	Drama	London Contemporary Dance
Arizona State University	Chapman University	Hampshire College	Los Angeles Film School
University of Arizona	University of Chicago	Hampton University	Louisiana State University
University of Arkansas	University of Cincinnati	University of Hawaii at Hilo	Loyola Marymount University
Azusa Pacific University	Claffin University	University of Hawaii at Manoa	Loyola University Chicago
Bard College	Clark Atlanta University	Hawaii Pacific University	Loyola University New
Barnard College	Clark University	Hillsdale College	Orleans
Baruch College of the CUNY	University of Colorado:	Hofstra University	Macalester College
Bates College	Boulder, Colorado Springs,	Hollins University	University of Maine
Belmont University	Denver	Holy Names University	Manchester College
Beloit College	Colorado College	Howard University	Manhattan College
Bennington College	Columbia College Chicago	Hunter College of the CUNY	Manhattan School of Music
Berklee College of Music	Columbia University	University of Idaho	Mannes College of Music
Bethune-Cookman University	Concordia University Irvine	University of Illinois	College of Marin
Biola University	Concordia University	Chicago,	Marist College
Boise State University	Montreal	Urbana-Champaign	Mars Hill University
Boston Conservatory	Cooper Union	Illinois Institute of Technology	Maryland Institute College of
Boston University	Coppin State University	Indiana University	Art
Brandeis University	Cornell University	Bloomington	Marymount California
University of British Columbia	Cornish College of the Arts	Institute of American Indian	University
Brooklyn College of the	DePaul University	Arts	Marymount Manhattan
CUNY	Dickinson College	Int'l Academy of Design &	University of Massachusetts
Bryn Mawr College	Dillard University	Technology	McGill University
Butler University	Dominican University of	University of Iowa	Menlo College
California College of the Arts	California	Jacobs University Bremen	Miami University, Oxford
California Institute of the Arts	Drew University	John Cabot University	University of Miami
California Jazz Conservatory	Drexel University	Johnson C. Smith University	University of Michigan
California Lutheran University	Duke University	Juniata College	University of Minnesota
California Polytechnic State	Eastman School of Music	University of Kansas	Middlebury College
University	Elizabethtown College	Kent State University	Mills College
California State University:	Elmira College	University of Kentucky	Montana State University,
Bakersfield, Channel	Emerson College	Kenyon College	Bozeman
Islands, Chico, Dominguez	Emory University	Kingston University	Morehouse College
Hills, East Bay, Fullerton,	Evergreen State College	The Kubert School	Morgan State University
Humboldt, Long Beach, Los	Expression College for Digital	Laguna College of Art and	Mount Holyoke College
Angeles, Maritime,	Arts	Design	Mount St. Mary's University
Monterey Bay, Northridge,	Fashion Institute of	Langston University	Muhlenberg College
Pomona, Sacramento,	Technology	Las Positas College	Musicians Institute
San Bernardino, San Diego,	FIDM	University of La Verne	Napa Valley College
San Francisco, San Jose,	Fisk University	Leeds College of Art &	University of Nevada
San Luis Obispo, San	Fordham University	Design	New College of Florida
Marcos, Sonoma, Stanislaus	George Mason University	Lewis & Clark College	New England Conservatory of
University of California:	George Washington University	Lincoln University	Music
Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, Los	Georgetown University	Linfield College	University of New Haven
Angeles, Merced, Riverside,			

New Jersey Institute of Technology	Pacific Northwest College of Art	Saint Mary's College of California	Union College
University of New Mexico	Pacific Union College	University of San Diego	University of Tampa
New York Conservatory for Dramatic Arts	University of the Pacific	San Francisco Art Institute	University of Utah
New York Film Academy	Peabody Institute of The Johns Hopkins University	San Francisco Conservatory of Music	Temple University
New York University	University of Pennsylvania	University of San Francisco	Texas College
The New School	Pepperdine University	Santa Fe University of Art & Design	Texas Southern University
Norfolk State University	Philander Smith College	Sarah Lawrence College	Towson University
North Carolina A&T State University	Pitzer College	Savannah College of Art and Design	Tuskegee University
University of North Carolina School of the Arts	Portland State University	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	University of the Arts London
University of North Texas	University of Portland	School of Visual Arts	University of the Arts
Northeastern University	Prairie View A&M University	Scripps College	Vancouver Film School
Northern Arizona University	Pratt Institute	Seattle Pacific University	Vassar College
Northern Illinois University	Prescott College	Seattle University	University of Vermont
Northwestern University	Princeton University	Shaw University	University of Victoria
Norwich University of the Arts	University of Puget Sound	Skidmore College	Walla Walla University
Notre Dame de Namur University	Purchase College	Smith College	Warner Pacific College
Nova Southeastern University	University of Redlands	University of Southern California	Washington State University
Oakwood University	Reed College	Southern Methodist University	University of Washington
Oberlin College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Southern Oregon University	Wells College
Occidental College	Rider University	Spelman College	Wesleyan University
Oregon College of Art & Craft	Ringling College of Art and Design	St. John's University: Staten Island, Queens	West Virginia University
Oregon State University	Roosevelt University	St. Lawrence University	Western Washington University
University of Oregon	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	Stanford University	Westminster College
Otis College of Art and Design	Royal Academy of Dramatic Art	Stella Adler Studio of Acting	Whitman College
Pace University	Rutgers University-New Brunswick	Sterling College	Whittier College
Pacific University	Saint Augustine's University	Stony Brook University	Wilberforce University
Pacific Lutheran University		Syracuse University	Willamette University
			University of Winnipeg
			University of Wisconsin, Madison
			Woodbury University
			Xavier University of Louisiana

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