



SCHOOL PROFILE 2022-2023

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 793 students in grades 6-12.

Admission

Students for grades 8-12 who attend OSA must audition into one of nine art sub-pathways:

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

Applicants for grades 8-12 currently audition before a panel of faculty/staff who assess their artistic talent and potential.

Schedule

Our on campus high school day runs from 8:30am – 4:30pm. 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.

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
Languages other than English	2 years

Honors Offerings:

- English II
- English III
- Ethnic Studies
- Pre-Calculus
- Spanish II & III

Advanced Placement Offerings:

- AP Government
- AP Studio Art
- AP Music Theory

Dual Enrollment Offerings:

- Statistics
- English 1A
- Calculus
- Chinese Music

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



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California Department of Education

College Acceptances 2022

Below is a list of colleges and universities that have offered admission to OSA graduates from the class of 2022

Academy of Art University	University of California:	Massachusetts College of Art and Design	Seattle University
Arcadia University	Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, Los Angeles, Merced, Riverside, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, San Diego	McGill University	Spelman College
ArtCenter College of Design		Middlesex University	St. John's College
Arts University Bournemouth		New York University	Stanford University
Ateneo de Manila University		The New School	Stockton University
Azusa Pacific University	Chapman University	Newcastle University	SUNY Purchase
Bard College	Columbia College Chicago	Northeastern University	Union College
Berklee College of Music	DePaul University	Nottingham Trent University	Temple University
Biola University	Drexel University	Oberlin College	University of Alaska
Boston Conservatory	Emory University	Ohio University	University Arts London
Boston University	Evergreen State College	Oregon State University	University of British Columbia
Brandeis University	Fordham University	University of Oregon	University of Denver
California College of the Arts	George Washington University	Otis College of Art and Design	University of Exeter
California State University:	Georgetown University	Pace University	University of Glasgow
Channel Islands, Chico, East Bay, Fresno, Fullerton, Humboldt, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Monterey Bay, Northridge, Pomona, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose, San Luis Obispo, San Marcos, Sonoma, Stanislaus	Grand Canyon University	Parsons School of Design	University of Hawaii
	Holy Names University	Penn State University	University of Maine
	Hope International University	Portland State University	University of Oregon
	Howard University	Pratt Institute	University of Rochester
	Johns Hopkins University	Princeton University	University of San Francisco
	Kenyon College	Reed College	University of Southern California
	Knox College	Rhode Island School of Design	University of the Pacific
	Lesley University	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Toronto
	Lewis & Clark College	Rutgers University	University of Vermont
	Lim College	Ryerson University	University of Washington
	Loyola Marymount University	Saint Mary's College of California	University of York
	Macalester College	SF Conservatory of Music	Vanguard University
	Maryland Institute College of Art	Sarah Lawrence College	Virginia Commonwealth University
	Marymount Manhattan	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	Whitman College
		School of Visual Arts	Whittier College
			Willamette University
			Xavier University of Louisiana

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