

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 ten art schools:

- Audio Production and Engineering
- 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. 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 11th and 12th 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	Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, Los	George Washington	Lewis & Clark College
Adelphi University	Angeles, Merced, Riverside,	University	Lincoln University
Agnes Scott College	San Diego,	Georgetown University	Linfield College
Alabama A&M University	Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz	Georgia Institute of	Long Island University,
Alabama State University	Carnegie Mellon University	Technology	Brooklyn
AMDA	Castleton University	Gettysburg College	London Academy of Music
American University	Catawba College	Gordon College	and
American University of Paris	Cazenovia College	Goucher College	Dramatic Art
Arizona State University	Central Saint Martins College	Grambling State University	London College of
University of Arizona	of Art & Design	Guildhall School of Music &	Communication
University of Arkansas	Chapman University	Drama	London Contemporary Dance
Azusa Pacific University	University of Chicago	Hampshire College	Los Angeles Film School
Bard College	University of Cincinnati	Hampton University	Louisiana State University
Barnard College	Clafin University	University of Hawaii at Hilo	Loyola Marymount University
Baruch College of the CUNY	Clark Atlanta University	University of Hawaii at Manoa	Loyola University Chicago
Bates College	Clark University	Hawaii Pacific University	Loyola University New
Belmont University	University of Colorado:	Hillsdale College	Orleans
Beloit College	Boulder, Colorado Springs,	Hofstra University	Macalester College
Bennington College	Denver	Hollins University	University of Maine
Berklee College of Music	Colorado College	Holy Names University	Manchester College
Bethune-Cookman University	Columbia College Chicago	Howard University	Manhattan College
Biola University	Columbia University	Hunter College of the CUNY	Manhattan School of Music
Boise State University	Concordia University Irvine	University of Idaho	Mannes College of Music
Boston Conservatory	Concordia University	University of Illinois	College of Marin
Boston University	Montreal	Chicago,	Marist College
Brandeis University	Cooper Union	Urbana-Champaign	Mars Hill University
University of British	Coppin State University	Illinois Institute of	Maryland Institute College of
Columbia	Cornell University	Technology	Art
Brooklyn College of the	Cornish College of the Arts	Indiana University	Marymount California
CUNY	DePaul University	Bloomington	University
Bryn Mawr College	Dickinson College	Institute of American Indian	Marymount Manhattan
Butler University	Dillard University	Arts	University of Massachusetts
California College of the Arts	Dominican University of	Int'l Academy of Design &	McGill University
California Institute of the Arts	California	Technology	Menlo College
California Jazz Conservatory	Drew University	University of Iowa	Miami University, Oxford
California Lutheran University	Drexel University	Jacobs University Bremen	University of Miami
California Polytechnic State	Duke University	John Cabot University	University of Michigan
University	Eastman School of Music	Johnson C. Smith University	University of Minnesota
California State University:	Elizabethtown College	Juniata College	University of Minnesota
Bakersfield, Channel	Elmira College	University of Kansas	Middlebury College
Islands, Chico, Dominguez	Emerson College	Kent State University	Mills College
Hills, East Bay, Fullerton,	Emory University	University of Kentucky	Montana State University,
Humboldt, Long Beach, Los	Evergreen State College	Kenyon College	Bozeman
Angeles, Maritime,	Expression College for Digital	Kingston University	Morehouse College
Monterey Bay, Northridge,	Arts	The Kubert School	Morgan State University
Pomona, Sacramento,	Fashion Institute of	Laguna College of Art and	Mount Holyoke College
San Bernardino, San Diego,	Technology	Design	Mount St. Mary's University
San Francisco, San Jose,	FIDM	Langston University	Muhlenberg College
San Luis Obispo, San	Fisk University	Las Positas College	Musicians Institute
Marcos, Sonoma, Stanislaus	Fordham University	University of La Verne	Napa Valley College
University of California:	George Mason University	Leeds College of Art &	University of Nevada
		Design	New College of Florida

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

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