

SCHOOL PROFILE 2021-2022

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
- Digital Media
- Fashion Design
- Instrumental Music
- Literary 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 8:15am – 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.

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

Advanced Placement Offerings:

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

Dual Enrollment Offerings:

- Statistics
- English 1A
- 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 2012 – 2021

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

University of Aberdeen	Castleton University	Hampton University	Loyola University New Orleans
Academy of Art University	Catawba College	University of Hartford	Macalester College
Adelphi University	Cazenovia College	University of Hawaii at Hilo	University of Maine
Agnes Scott College	Central Saint Martins College of Art & Design	University of Hawaii at Manoa	Maine College of Art & Design
Alabama A&M University	Chapman University	Hawaii Pacific University	Manchester College
Alabama State University	University of Chicago	Hillsdale College	Manhattan College
AMDA	University of Cincinnati	Hofstra University	Manhattan School of Music
American University	Clafflin University	Hollins University	Mannes College of Music
American University of Paris	Clark Atlanta University	Holy Names University	College of Marin
Arizona State University	Clark University	Howard University	Marist College
University of Arizona	University of Colorado: Boulder, Colorado Springs, Denver	Hunter College of the CUNY	Mars Hill University
University of Arkansas	Colorado College	Hussian College	Maryland Institute College of Art
Azusa Pacific University	Columbia College Chicago	University of Idaho	Marymount California University
Ball State University	Columbia University	University of Illinois Chicago, Urbana-Champaign	Marymount Manhattan University
Bard College	Concordia University Irvine	Illinois Institute of Technology	University of Massachusetts
Barnard College	Concordia University Montreal	Indiana University Bloomington	McGill University
Baruch College of the CUNY	Cooper Union	Institute of American Indian Arts	Menlo College
Bates College	Coppin State University	Int'l Academy of Design & Technology	Miami University, Oxford
Belmont University	Cornell University	University of Iowa	University of Miami
Beloit College	Cornish College of the Arts	Jacobs University Bremen	University of Michigan
Bennington College	DePaul University	John Cabot University	University of Minnesota
Berklee College of Music	Dickinson College	Johnson C. Smith University	Middlebury College
Bethune-Cookman University	Dillard University	Juniata College	Mills College
Biola University	Dominican University of California	University of Kansas	Montana State University
Boise State University	Drew University	University of Kent	Montclair State University
Boston Conservatory	Drexel University	Kent State University	Morehouse College
Boston University	Duke University	University of Kentucky	Morgan State University
Brandeis University	Eastman School of Music	Kenyon College	Mount Holyoke College
University of British Columbia	Elizabethtown College	Kingston University	Mount St. Mary's University
Brooklyn College of the CUNY	Elmira College	The Kubert School	Muhlenberg College
Bryn Mawr College	Emerson College	Knox College	Musicians Institute
Butler University	Emory University	Laguna College of Art and Design	Napa Valley College
California College of the Arts	Evergreen State College	Langston University	University of Nevada
California Institute of the Arts	Expression College for Digital Arts	Las Positas College	New College of Florida
California Jazz Conservatory	Fashion Institute of Technology	University of La Verne	New England Conservatory of Music
California Lutheran University	FIDM	Leeds College of Art & Design	University of New Haven
California Polytechnic State University	Fisk University	Lehigh University	New Jersey Institute of Technology
California State University: Bakersfield, Channel Islands, Chico, Dominguez Hills, East Bay, Fullerton, Humboldt, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Maritime, Monterey Bay, Northridge, Pomona, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose, San Luis Obispo, San Marcos, Sonoma, Stanislaus	Fordham University	Lewis & Clark College	University of New Mexico
University of California: Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, Los Angeles, Merced, Riverside, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz	Free University of Berlin	Lincoln University	New York Conservatory for Dramatic Arts
Carleton College	George Mason University	Linfield College	New York Film Academy
Carnegie Mellon University	George Washington University	Long Island University, Brooklyn	New York University
	Georgetown University	London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art	The New School
	Georgia Institute of Technology	London College of Communication	Norfolk State University
	Gettysburg College	London Contemporary Dance	North Carolina A&T State University
	Gordon College	Los Angeles Film School	University of North Carolina School of the Arts
	Goucher College	Louisiana State University	University of North Texas
	Grambling State University	Loyola Marymount University	Northeastern University
	Guildhall School of Music & Drama	Loyola University Chicago	Northern Arizona University
	Hampshire College		Northern Illinois University
			Northwestern University

Norwich University of the Arts	Pratt Institute	Savannah College of Art and Design	Towson University
Notre Dame de Namur University	Prescott College	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	Trinity Laban
Nova Southeastern University	Princeton University	School of Visual Arts	Tuskegee University
Oakwood University	University of Puget Sound	Scripps College	University of the Arts London
Oberlin College	Purchase College	Seattle Pacific University	The University of the Arts
Occidental College	University of Redlands	Seattle University	Vancouver Film School
Oregon College of Art & Craft	Reed College	Shaw University	Vassar College
Oregon State University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Skidmore College	University of Vermont
University of Oregon	Rider University	Smith College	University of Victoria
Otis College of Art and Design	Ringling College of Art and Design	University of Southern California	Walla Walla University
Pace University	Roosevelt University	Southern Methodist University	Warren Wilson College
Pacific University	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	Southern Oregon University	Warner Pacific College
Pacific Lutheran University	Royal Academy of Dramatic Art	Spelman College	Washington State University
Pacific Northwest College of Art	Rutgers University-New Brunswick	St. John's University: Staten Island, Queens	University of Washington
Pacific Union College	Ryerson University	St. Lawrence University	Wells College
University of the Pacific	Saint Augustine's University	Stanford University	Wesleyan University
Parsons School of Design	Saint Mary's College of California	Stella Adler Studio of Acting	West Virginia University
Peabody Institute of The Johns Hopkins University	University of San Diego	Sterling College	Western Washington University
University of Pennsylvania	San Francisco Art Institute	Stillman College	Westminster College
Pepperdine University	San Francisco Conservatory of Music	Stony Brook University	Whitman College
Philander Smith College	University of San Francisco	Syracuse University	Whittier College
Pitzer College	Santa Fe University of Art & Design	Union College	Wilberforce University
Point Park University	Sarah Lawrence College	University of Tampa	Willamette University
Portland State University		University of Utah	William and Mary
University of Portland		Temple University	University of Winnipeg
Prairie View A&M University		Texas College	University of Wisconsin, Madison
		Texas Southern University	Woodbury University
			Xavier University of Louisiana

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