

i ABOUT OUR SCHOOL**OUR MISSION**

The NCA mission is to help each student maximize his or her potential and meet the highest performance standards through a uniquely individualized learning program.

OUR HISTORY

Nevada Connections Academy (NCA) is an accredited, public school serving students in grades K-12 from across the state. Our students come from urban, suburban, and rural communities. The school was founded during the 2007-08 school year to serve students in grades 4-11. Grades K-3 and 12 were added during the 2008-09 school year. NCA's first 12th grade class graduated in June 2009.

OUR PROGRAM

Nevada Connections Academy includes a four-year comprehensive high school program with an enrollment of over 1400 high school students. Here are some important facts about the program:

- Nevada Connections Academy is accredited by the Northwest Accreditation Commission (NWAC), an accreditation division of AdvancED.
- The school has 104 certified/licensed professional staff. Of those, 79 have earned advanced degrees.
- School is in session 180 days between the months of August and May.

HIGH SCHOOL VIRTUAL VISITATION

College representatives are invited to connect with our students through web conferencing technology. Two weeks' notice is greatly appreciated so that we have time to notify students. For more information about setting up a web conference session, please contact Candice Thomas at cathomas@nca.connectionsacademy.org.

**ADVANCED COURSE OPTIONS**

Nevada Connections Academy's core curriculum is geared toward preparing students for college and beyond. Students have access to AP, Honors, College Preparatory, and Basic programs. Students also can participate in the Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) program, in which they can earn dual high school and college credit by attending post-secondary institutions.

AP course offerings include: Art History, Biology, Calculus AB and BC, Computer Science, English Language, English Literature, Environmental Science, Human Geography, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Psychology, Spanish, Statistics, U.S. Government, and U.S. History.

Honors course offerings include: Algebra I and II, American Government, Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, English 9-12, Geometry, Marine Science, Physical Science, Pre-calculus, U.S. History and World History.

Please feel free to view all of our high school courses at <http://www.connectionsacademy.com/nevada-virtual-school/curriculum/high-school/courses>

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Candice Thomas

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K-8 Counseling Staff:
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ACCREDITATIONS.**TOP 5 ELITE SCHOOLS
STUDENTS ACCEPTED TO**

University of Nevada, Las Vegas
University of Nevada, Reno
Oregon State University
State University of New York
University of Washington

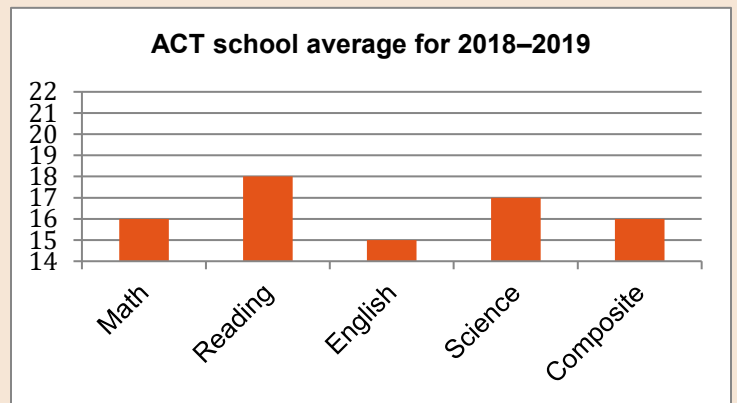


GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Nevada Connections Academy operates on a semester system utilizing Carnegie units. One semester class equals one-half of a high school credit. Students who have taken high school level courses while in middle school may have been granted high school credit. The typical course load is six classes per semester.

22.5 Carnegie units of credit are required for graduation. Specific requirements include:

Area/Subjects	#Units for Graduation
Language Arts	4
Math	3
Science	3
Social Studies	3
Financial Literacy	.5
Health	.5
Physical Education	2
Technology	.5
Humanities/Arts	1
Other Electives	5
Total	22.5



AP Results for 2018-2019

•26 Students in grades 11 & 12 were enrolled in AP courses

•NCA Average AP Test Score 2.70

•Statewide Average Score 2.62

•NCA % of Scores 3 or Above 55.60%

•Statewide % of Scores 3 or Above 49.30%

•Math courses must include at least one year of Algebra and one year of Geometry. Students must be enrolled in math for 4 years of high school level courses.

•Science courses must include at least one year of a physical science course (Physical Science, Chemistry, Physics or Earth Science) and one year of Biology.

•Social Studies courses must include one year each of World History (or Geography), U.S. History, and American Government.



GRADE SCALE

The numerical grading scale is as follows:

Grade	Numerical Percentage	GPA Points
A	90-100	4.00
B	80-89	3.00
C	70-79	2.00
D	60-69	1.00
F	0-59	0.00