

## ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

### OUR MISSION

The mission of Kansas Connections Academy is to help each student maximize their potential and meet the highest performance standards through a uniquely individualized learning program.

**Every Child, Every Day!** Every child deserves maximum school support always! Our job is extremely important, and students and families will always get our best effort!

**Live Story 4** We believe that all students can and must learn at relatively high levels of achievement. It is our job to create an environment in our classrooms that result in this high level of performance. We are confident that, with our support and help, students can master challenging academic material, and we expect them to do so. We are prepared to work collaboratively with colleagues, students, and parents to achieve this shared educational purpose.

**Positive and Encouraging** Continuous support must be our culture. All staff are key integral parts for success and encouraging each other with positive intent will define our interactions with each other.

**Vision** We will continue to do everything possible to help students learn at the highest levels while taking time to care for each other. Establishing an A+ culture with a spirit of collaboration will define us. KCA will continue to make strides and become the most outstanding virtual school possible!

### OUR PROGRAM

Kansas Connections Academy is accredited by the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA CASI), an accrediting division of Cognia.

- School is in session 180 days between the months of August and May.
- Students can earn up to eight credits during the school year.
- ACT test participation continues to grow annually.

## STUDENT POPULATION

Kansas Connections Academy includes a four-year comprehensive high school program with an enrollment of approximately 663 high school students. Post-graduation plans for the class of 2023 include: 2-year college (22.9%), four-year college (21.5%), vocational training (8.3%), employment(37.5%), and military (2.1%).

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

**SUPERINTENDENT:** Cherie Nicholson

**SCHOOL LEADER:** Joe Sailors

**PRINCIPAL 7-12:** Jamie Droegemeier

**PRINCIPAL K-6:** Laura Hochman

**MANAGER OF COUNSELING:**

Paul A. Walrod

## SCHOOL AND FACULTY ACCOLADES

The school has 42 certified/licensed professional High School staff. Of those, 30 have earned advanced degrees, including 3 staff members who hold a doctorate.

## ACCREDITATIONS



## SAMPLING OF COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Arkansas State Univeristy, Fort Hays State Univeristy, Georgia Institute of Technology, Iowa State University, Kansas State University, MidAmerica Nazarene University, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Newman University, Northwest Oklahoma State University, Rockhurst University, Texas A&M Univeristy, University of Kansas, University of Missouri-Kansas City, University of Saint Mary, University of Texas-Austin, Washburn University, Washington Univeristy-St. Louis, Western College of Colorado, Wichita State University

## ADVANCED COURSE OPTIONS

**AP course offerings include:** Calculus AB, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Psychology, U.S. Government, US History.

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

In 2021-2022 KCA had approx. 12.5% of 11th and 12th grade students participate in AP or Dual Enrollment courses.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

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

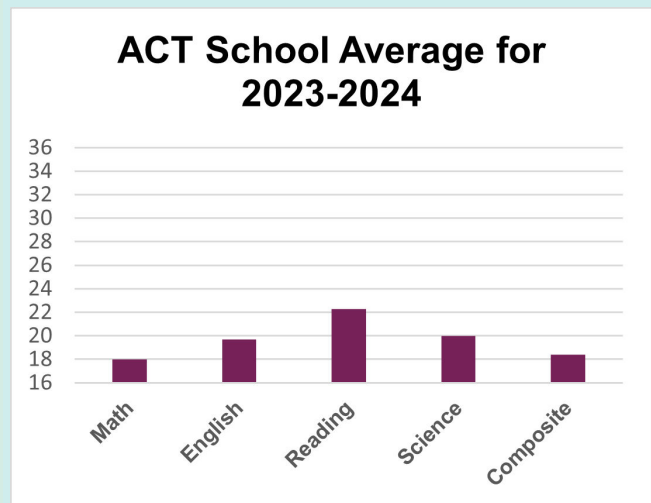
Area/Subjects	#Units for Graduation
Language Arts	4
Math	3
Science	3
Social Studies	3
Health/PE	1
Fine Arts	1
Other Electives	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>

## GRADE SCALE

The numerical grading scale is as follows:

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

### Average Test Scores



### Scholarship Results

Students in the Class of 2023 earned total college scholarship awards of approximately \$1,400,000.