



# Profile

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## Description

Founded in 1975, North Central Texas Academy (located on the beautiful, 500-acre campus of Happy Hill Farm) is an independent, accredited, coeducational, interdenominational college-preparatory, day, boarding, and international school.

## Mission

North Central Texas Academy equips a unified, but diverse, student body for lifelong success by providing a comprehensive education from a Christian worldview that cultivates the mind, transforms the heart, and develops each student's character and God-given abilities.

## Administration

Principal – Mrs. Jennifer Smith, M.Ed.  
Assistant Principal – Mrs. Amanda Schwausch, M.Ed.  
International Program Director – Mr. Brent Dodson

## Accreditation

Fully-accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) AdvancED Accreditation Commission

## Affiliations

A member of the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS);  
The Association of Boarding Schools (TABS);  
Texas Private Schools Association;  
Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI);  
National Honor Society (NHS); Student Government Association (SGA);  
Future Farmers of America (FFA); and Texas 4-H

## Curriculum

NCTA provides a strong academic curriculum that is based upon the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) and the College Readiness Standards. All topics are explored from a Christian Worldview framework in addition to traditional secular viewpoints. Honors and Pre-AP coursework is offered in English, Social Studies, Science, and Mathematics for students in grades 9-12. Advanced Placement coursework is offered in AP Calculus, AP English, AP Physics, AP Government, AP Microeconomics, and AP Statistics.

## Admission

North Central Texas Academy has a selective admission policy. Students are considered on the basis of academic performance, standardized testing, student and parent goals, and character references. Students must be able to meet grade level curriculum expectations to be considered for admission. Financial aid is awarded on a competitive basis and predicated upon financial need, family hardship, and student potential.

## Student Characteristics

Class Size: 8-12

Total Enrollment: 175-195

Countries represented: United States, China, Taiwan, Korea, Vietnam, Mexico, Serbia, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Congo, France, Romania, Czech Republic, and Brazil

Due to selective admissions policies and small class sizes, NCTA does not provide a class rank.

## Calendar

36 weeks; 2 semesters; 4 nine-week grading periods; 50-minute classes, meeting 5 days per week.

## Graduation Requirements

NCTA's Recommended High School Graduation Plan requires 26 high school credits composed of the following requirements: 4 credits English, 4 credits Mathematics, 4 credits Science (Biology, Chemistry, and Physics required), 3.5 credits Social studies, .5 credit Economics, 2 credits Foreign Language, 1 credit Fine Arts, 1 credit Physical Education, .5 credit Speech, 1 credit Bible, and 4.5 credits electives. NCTA's Recommended Plan is equivalent to the State of Texas Recommended High School Graduation plan in all core academic requirements, with some variations in elective course offerings. NCTA students are required to complete a prescribed number of community service hours each year from 6th grade through 12th grade.

## GPA Calculation

NCTA awards high school credit and calculates GPA on a semester basis. Students receive .5 credits per semester per class. NCTA uses a weighted, 4.0 scale for grade point calculation. GPA is calculated as follows, based upon the numerical grade received in the course:

Grade	Standard Level	Pre-AP/Honors	AP	Dual credit
90-100	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.0
80-89	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.0
70-79	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.0
69 & Below	No credit	No credit	No credit	No credit

## Tuition

Full Boarding Tuition is \$49,000 annually and does not include uniforms, insurance, or personal items. Please call 817.614.2541 for Day School information.

If you are interested in being considered for Financial Aid, please click the Financial Aid link on the website, and complete the process.

## College Acceptances

Baylor University  
 Boston University  
 California State University  
 Colorado State University  
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University  
 Indiana University Bloomington  
 Indiana Purdue University (IUPUI)  
 Iowa State University  
 Michigan State University  
 Penn State  
 Pepperdine University

Rice University  
 Southern Methodist University  
 Southwestern University  
 State University of New York  
 Texas A & M University  
 Texas Christian University  
 Texas Tech University  
 Trinity University  
 United States Air Force Academy  
 University of Alabama  
 University of California

University of Colorado  
 University of Kansas  
 University of Maryland  
 University of Nebraska  
 University of Oregon  
 University of Rochester  
 University of St. Thomas  
 University of Texas at Austin  
 Virginia Tech  
 Washington State University  
 Wentworth Institute of Tech.



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