



# Profile

## Contact Information

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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

Dean of Faculty & International Director -- Mrs. Amanda Schwausch, M.Ed.  
Principal -- Mrs. Jennifer Smith, M.Ed.  
Guidance Counselor -- Mrs. Bonnie Houck

## Accreditation

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

## Affiliations

Texas Private Schools Association;  
National Honor Society (NHS);  
YMCA Texas Youth and Government;  
Future Farmers of America (FFA)

## 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 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 Literature and Composition, AP Statistics, AP Computer Science A, AP Computer Science Principles, and AP Physics. Dual credit coursework is offered in Introduction to Communication, Introduction to Information Technology, Language/Literature and Composition, and College Algebra.

## 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 and 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, Taiwan, South Korea, Poland, Senegal, Vietnam, Mexico, Serbia, Ethiopia, France, Romania, Guatemala, Montenegro, Czech Republic, Ecuador, Rwanda, Spain, Cameroon, Belarus, and Brazil

## Calendar

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

## Graduation Requirements

All NCTA students must complete the Foundation High School Program and at least one endorsement for a minimum of 26 credits for graduation. Students will be required to take the following: 4 credits in English, 4 credits in mathematics, 4 credits in science, 4 credits in social studies, 2 credits in a language other than English, 1 fine art credit, 1 physical education credit, 1 bible credit, and 5 elective credits. Students may pursue endorsements in the following areas: STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics); Business and Industry; Arts and Humanities; Multidisciplinary Studies. All NCTA students will also 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 or personal items. Please call 254.897.1361 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

Alabama A&M University  
Baylor University  
Boston University  
Clemson University  
Colorado State University  
Dallas Baptist University  
Dartmouth College  
Hardin-Simmons University  
Indiana University  
Indiana Purdue University (IUPUI)  
Iowa State University

Michigan State University  
Penn State University  
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 (UCLA)  
University of Colorado  
University of Kansas  
University of Maryland  
University of Nebraska  
University of Oregon  
University of Texas at Austin  
Virginia Tech  
Washington State University



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