



KARACHI AMERICAN SCHOOL

PROFILE OF THE CLASS OF 2022

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Thirty-six students, representing five countries, made up the class of 2022. 100% of the KAS graduates were admitted into one or more higher education destinations of their choice.

KARACHI AMERICAN SCHOOL (FOUNDED IN 1953)

Karachi American School (KAS) is a selective co-educational day school, which offers an English language instructional program from Pre-K through Grade 12. KAS does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, national or ethnic origin. Founded to serve American and other expatriate children, KAS has developed into a diverse learning institution serving host nationals and expatriates following an American College preparatory AP curriculum. KAS grants merit scholarships to deserving local students. The school is housed in a purpose-built plant on approximately twelve acres of land.

FACULTY

There are 44 full-time and 2 part-time faculty members including 18 U.S. citizens, 17 host country nationals, and 8 persons of other nationalities. Student/teacher ratio in the elementary school is 6:1 in the secondary school the ratio is 7:1. Twenty-three teachers and administrators comprise the overseas teaching staff. All overseas hires are certified and hold degrees from US universities with majority of the faculty holding fifth year or post-graduate degrees. KAS actively and financially supports teacher training and continuing education for its staff.

CALENDAR

A two-semester system is employed at KAS: the first semester is from August to December; the second semester from January through May.

ACTIVITIES

Extra-curricular activities are a part of each student and teacher's commitment to Karachi American School. Sporting events, field trips, music organizations, cultural programs, student government, drama productions, Model United Nations, and numerous clubs provide activities for students, parents, and teachers. KAS has chapters of the National Honor Society, National Junior Honor Society, French, Spanish and Music Honor Societies. Through its membership in the South Asia Inter-School Association (SAISA), KAS offers students in middle and high school opportunities to interact with students at other international schools in athletics, academic, and cultural exchanges several times a year.

COVID AND OTHER DISRUPTIONS

On February 27th, 2020 the government of Sindh, Pakistan closed all schools due to COVID19. KAS went remote for the remainder of the school year. KAS remained remote for 2020-2021 with a shortened daily schedule, 40-minute classes and our usual Friday half day to respect Pakistan's religious traditions. Course offerings were limited with no extracurriculars for the entire year. No change was made to the grading scale in 2020-2021 and community service was eliminated from the graduation requirements.

KAS started 2021-2022, in-person after being remote for 18 months. Pakistan and CDC COVID protocols were implemented. Classes started August 30th through May and were 45 minutes long, on a 6 of 8 classes per day rotating schedule with a half day Friday. Grading and graduation requirements remained the same as 2020-2021. A few extracurriculars were phased in during the second quarter as we met vaccination benchmarks. Sport was particularly impacted, and very few KAS teams formed and were never able to compete locally or to compete in regional school sport associations.

Over Winter Break, Omicron exploded in Pakistan causing a pivot to remote learning for the first six weeks of quarter three and all extracurriculars were suspended once again. We returned to campus on February 14th and remained in person for the remainder of the year.

Academic year 2022-2023 was delayed several times due to historic flooding in Pakistan which has made worldwide news, but KAS is in-person and offering a full program and are back to pre-COVID standards across all divisions with 55-minute class periods and a full-length day for the first time since February 2020.

GRADING SYSTEM

GPA's are calculated using a 4.0 scaling system. G.P.A.'s are weighted by calculating a multiple of 1.2 quality points for grades in Advanced Placement (AP) courses. Courses which are not designated AP are not weighted.

UN-WEIGHTED EQUIVALENT FOR COMPUTING G.P.A

Grade	%	GPA	Grade	%	GPA
A	(93-100)	4.0	C	(73-76)	2.0
A-	(90-92)	3.7	C-	(70-72)	1.7
B+	(87-89)	3.3	D+	(67-69)	1.3
B	(83-86)	3.0	D	(63-66)	1.0
B-	(80-82)	2.7	D-	(60-62)	0.7
C+	(77-79)	2.3	F	(Below 60)	0.0

WEIGHTED EQUIVALENT FOR COMPUTING G.P.A

Grade	%	GPA	Grade	%	GPA
A	(93-100)	4.8	C	(73-76)	2.4
A-	(90-92)	4.4	C-	(70-72)	2.0
B+	(87-89)	4.0	D+	(67-69)	1.6
B	(83-86)	3.6	D	(63-66)	1.2
B-	(80-82)	3.2	D-	(60-62)	0.8
C+	(77-79)	2.8	F	(Below 60)	0.0

Note: Only Advanced Placement courses are weighted.

CURRICULUM

Courses at Karachi American School are college preparatory level courses. Students must complete 26.0 credits for graduation. (Note: One credit is given for one year of successful study in any subject, which meets 220 minutes per week.) Minimum requirements are:

Subject	Credit	Subject	Credit
English	4.0	Speech/Writing	1.0
Mathematics	4.0	Physical Ed/Health	2.0
Foreign Language	3.0	Technology	1.0
Social Studies	4.0	Visual/Performing Art	3.0
Science	4.0		

COURSE OFFERINGS

English	Mathematics	Science	Social Studies
English 9	Algebra I	AP Physics 1	AP Comparative
English 10	Geometry	AP Chemistry	Government & Politics
English 11	Algebra II	Biology	AP Microeconomics
English 12	Accounting	Chemistry	AP Macroeconomics
AP English Language	Pre-Calculus	Physics	AP Psychology
AP English Literature	College Algebra	Environmental Science	AP World History
Speech/Writing	AP Calculus AB	AP Biology	Economics
Journalism	AP Statistics	AP Environmental Science	Psychology
Foreign Language	Fine Arts	Computer	Regional History
French I, II, III, IV	Vocal Music	Computer Applications	World History I
Spanish I, II, III, IV	Studio Art	Desktop Publishing & Yearbook	World History II
AP French Language	Photography	AP Computer Science	Pakistan Study
AP Spanish Language	Sculpture/Ceramics	Physical Education	Urdu
	Concert Band	P.E. 9-12 (with Health)	Urdu 9
	Drawing/ Graphics Design	Health & Fitness	
	AP Studio Art		

ADMISSION

Admission to Karachi American School is highly selective and competitive. Qualified students capable of completing a demanding college preparatory program with a strong AP program are admitted. AP International Diploma is offered through AP coursework. Admission is based on prior academic record, standardized test scores, three letters of recommendation, graded writing sample and, an admission interview for parent and applicant. The school makes a conscious effort to preserve size, ethnicity and gender each grade level.

ENROLLMENT SECTION

Currently there are 358 students in K3 through grade 12 representing 10 nationalities: 50 US citizens, 240 Pakistanis and 68 from other countries. In the high school, there are 148 students: 36 seniors, 39 juniors, 38 sophomores and 35 freshmen.

ACCREDITATION

The school has been fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and secondary schools since 1962 through 2024.

CLASS RANK

Because of the relatively small size and strong quality of our graduating classes, we have chosen not to rank our students. Historically, our strength is such that all our students have a solid academic foundation and have performed well at competitive colleges.

GRADE DISTRIBUTION (YEARLY AVERAGE) – 2021-2022 ACADEMIC YEAR

AP CLASSES	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F
AP English Language	9	3	2	3	1		1					
AP English Literature		2		1	2							
AP Calculus AB	1			1	1		1					
AP Statistics	3			5	4	2	6		1	1		
AP Chemistry	1		3		1			1		1	1	
AP Physics			1		1							
AP Comparative Government	9	4	1	4	1	3	2	1		1		
AP World History		2	5	3	1	1	3		1			
AP Psychology	3	1	1	4		1	1					
AP Economics	1	2		4	3	2						
AP French Language	2											
AP Studio Art	2	8	4	2								
AP Computer Science Principles	3	5	6	9	3	3	1	1	1			
AP Computer Science	2			2			2					
Departments with four or more classes												
English	14	14	9	5	4	3		1		2		
Mathematics	11	6	11	23	6	4	3	4	2	2	3	1
Science	2	4	2	5	4	8	6	4		3		
Social Studies	6	3	5	9	4	2	1	1				
Foreign Language	18	9	9	6	3	1	2		1			

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Admission to an AP class is restricted to juniors, seniors and is based on teacher recommendations, PSAT scores, and past academic achievement, including a minimum grade of B in all prerequisite courses. In May 2022, students took 120 AP exams with just over thirty-four percent of scores above four or better, and seventy percent of scores three or higher.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCORES 2022

Subject Total	1	2	3	4	5	Total Exams
2-D Art and Design			8	5		13
Calculus AB		1	3			4
Chemistry	4	2				6
Comparative Government and Politics	3	5	6	7	2	23
Computer Science A			2			2
Computer Science Principles		1	2	3	2	8
English Language and Composition	2	3	7	3	1	16
English Literature and Composition	1		1	1	2	5
French Language and Culture			1	1		2
Macroeconomics				1		1
Microeconomics		1	2	1		4
Physics 1	1		1			2
Psychology		1	2	2	2	7
Statistics	2	5	2	1	1	11
World History: Modern		4	6	3	3	16
Percentage of Total Exams	10.8	19.2	35.8	23.3	10.8	120

COLLEGE COUNSELING DEPARTMENT STATEMENT

The academic environment at Karachi American School is demanding, rigorous and competitive. All courses are taught at a college preparatory level. As a part of its academic policy, Karachi American School does not offer SAT preparation courses on campus, nor do we recommend or encourage enrolling in these classes. We believe that students are more than a number and encourage them to explore their interests through coursework, extracurriculars and working with outside community service organizations and mentors to develop their personal interests.

TESTS*

SAT I Score average and ranges for members of the class of 2022

	Total Score	ERW (Evidence-based Reading and Writing)	Math
Average	1218	573	644

* Karachi American School does not eliminate non-native English speakers from its statistical representation.

COLLEGE ENTRANCE

All graduates from Karachi American School seek a post-secondary education. Since 1979, Karachi American School has graduated an average annual class of thirty-five students. Ninety percent of these students chose to attend colleges and universities in the U.S. and Canada, while the remaining ten percent enrolled in universities in Europe & Asia.

In 2022, each of the KAS graduates (100%) planned to attend college or university in the United States, Canada and other countries in the fall of 2022 or in the immediate future. Graduates from class of 2022 were accepted at:

United States of America	
Allegheny College	University of Illinois-Chicago
Bentley University	University of Illinois-Urbana
Bryant University	University of San Francisco
Clark University	University of Southern Florida
Dennison University	University of Texas
DePaul University	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Indiana- Bloomington University	Wheaton College
Johnson & Wales University	Canada
Michigan State University	Laurier University
New Hampshire University	McMaster University
Northeastern University	Queen's University
Oberlin College	Ryerson University
Occidental College	University of British Columbia
Ohio- Wesleyan University	University of Calgary
Penn State University	University of Toronto
Rollins College	Western Ontario
Rutgers University	University of Waterloo
Seattle University	York University
Texas A & M University-Corpus Christi	United Kingdom
The College of Wooster	City-University of London
The Culinary Institute of America	King's College London
University of California -Davis	Queen Mary University of London
University of California - Riverside	Royal Holloway- University of London
University of Massachusetts - Amherst	SOAS University of London
University of Massachusetts - Boston	Other
University of Connecticut	American University in Dubai
University of Houston	RICE School of Architecture - Paris

