Profile of the Class of 2011

Thirty students, representing eight countries, made up the class of 2011. Selective and highly selective colleges in the USA, Canada, UK and Pakistan accepted all of our students who applied for university entrance. 100% of the KAS graduates were admitted into one or more higher education destinations of their choice. KAS students are internationally diverse with most students coming from a bilingual culture. The mode of instruction and common language of the school is English. The mean grade point average for the class of 2011 was 3.01 with a range of 2.00 to 4.20.
KARACHI AMERICAN SCHOOL (Founded in 1953)

Karachi American School is a selective co-educational day school, which offers an instructional program from Pre-Nursery through Grade 12. Karachi American School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, national or ethnic origin, or any other factor. It is fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. The school seeks to accommodate primarily those transient students from the expatriate business and diplomatic communities whose academic careers are best served by an American educational system. The school is housed in a modern building on approximately twelve acres of land. Included are elementary and secondary libraries, art, science and computer laboratories, a gymnasium, an auditorium, squash and tennis courts, playing fields, auditorium, cafeteria, and a swimming pool, studios, health facilities, and snack bar.

FACULTY

There are 39 full-time and 2 part-time faculty members, including 17 U.S. citizens, 18 host country nationals, and 4 persons of other nationalities. Student/teacher ratio in the elementary school is 6:1 in the secondary school the ratio is 7:1. Twenty one 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 supports teacher training and continuing education for its staff. In 2010-2011 twenty percent of all KAS faculty members attended university courses, AP workshops and/or institutes.

CALENDAR

A two-semester system is employed at KAS: the first semester is from August 3 to December 15; the second semester runs from January 3 to May 30. Grades are published quarterly. Classes are held Monday through Friday, with Saturday and Sunday as the weekend. Scheduled in the secondary school, Monday through Thursday, are six 55-minute periods beginning at 8:00 a.m. And concluding at 2:55 p.m. On Fridays, there are four 55-minute periods with the day beginning at 8:00 a.m. and ending at 12:30 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Extra and co-curricular activities are a part of each student and teacher’s commitment to Karachi American School. The school serves as a community activity center for Americans and other expatriates in Karachi. Sporting events, field trips, music organizations, cultural programs, student government, drama productions, The International 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, and French and Spanish Honor Societies. Through its membership in the South Asia Inter-School Association (SAISA), KAS offers students in middle school and high school opportunities to interact with students of other American international schools in varsity athletics, academic, music, and cultural exchanges at least four times a year. Participation in activities is contingent upon maintaining a 2.0 grade point average or above.

GRADING 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.

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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:

**COURSE OFFERINGS**

**English**
- English 9
- English 10
- English 11
- English 12
- AP English Language
- AP English Literature
- Speech/Writing

**Mathematics**
- Algebra I
- Geometry
- Algebra II
- Pre-Calculus
- Intro. to College Alg.
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Statistics

**Science**
- Physics
- Biology
- Chemistry
- AP Physics B
- AP Chemistry
- Botany
- Zoology
- Environment
- Science
- AP Biology

**Social Studies**
- World History I
- World History II
- World History III
- US History
- AP Psychology
- AP Economics (Micro & Macro)
- AP World History

**Foreign Language**
- French I, II, III, IV
- Spanish I, II, III, IV
- Urdu, (Beg. Int. Adv.)
- AP French Language
- AP Spanish Language

**Fine Arts**
- Vocal Music
- Studio Art
- Photography
- Ceramics
- Concert Band
- Drawing/Graphic Design
- AP Studio Art

**Computer**
- Computer Applications
- Desktop Publishing/Yearbook

**Physical Education**
- PE. 9-12 (with Health)

**GRADE DISTRIBUTION (yearly average)- 2010-2011 Academic Year**

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**ADVANCED PLACEMENT**

The Advanced Placement (AP) program plays an integral part in the curriculum of Karachi American School. Admission to an AP class is based on teacher recommendations, PSAT scores, and past academic achievement, including a minimum grade of B in all prerequisite courses. Any student taking an AP course is required to take the AP exam in that course. In May 2011, students took 116 AP exams with just over forty two percent of scores four or better, and fifty eight percent of scores three or higher.
The academic environment at Karachi American School is demanding, rigorous and competitive. All courses are taught at a college preparatory level. The typical student spends an average of at least three hours per night on homework and course preparation.

The college counseling office recommends applying to no more than ten colleges and will compile and send no more than ten application packets per student as a service. As a part of its academic policy, Karachi American School does not offer SAT I, SAT II or other college entrance examination preparation courses on campus.

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 twenty-six students. Ninety percent of these students chose to attend college and universities in the U.S. And Canada, while the remaining ten percent enrolled in universities in Europe & Asia.

In 2011, each of the KAS graduates (100%) planned to attend college or university in the United States, Canada, Europe, or Pakistan in the fall of 2011 or in the immediate future. Graduates from the class of 2011 were accepted at:

US
Babson College
Brandies College
Bates College
Bentley University (3)
Boston College
Boston University
Brandies University (2)
Brown University
Bryn Mawr College
Case Western Reserve University
Columbia University
Concordia College
DePaul University (2)
Drexel University
Duke University
Earlham College
Elizabethtown College
Emerson College (3)
Emmanuel College (4)
Fordham University (2)
George Washington University
Hiram College
Indian University Bloomington (2)
Lake Forest College
Lasell College
Lesley University
Long Island University
Manhattan College
Mount Holyoke College (2)
Nazareth College
New York University
Northeastern University (7)
Ohio Wesleyan University
Ottis College of Art & Design
Oxford College of Emory
Pace University (2)
Penn State University
Providence College
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst
Rochester Institute of Technology
School of Museum of Fine Arts
Simmons College (2)
Southern Methodist University
Stanford University
Suffolk University (3)
Syracuse University (4)
University of California, Davis
University of California, San Diego (3)
University of Chicago
University of Kentucky
University of Massachusetts, Boston (4)
University of Pennsylvania
University of Tampa
University of Virginia
Utica College
Vanderbilt University
Virginia Tech University
Washington University
Wheelock College (3)
William & Mary College
Woodbury University

CANSADA
Carlton University
Concordia University (5)
Huron University College
McGill University (2)
Queens University (2)
Ryerson University
University of British Columbia (2)
University of Guelph
University of Toronto
University of Waterloo (4)
University of Western Ontario (3)
Wilfrid Laurier University
UK
Aston University
Cardiff University
King's College (2)
Royal Holloway
U of Nottingham (2)
U of Liverpool
PAKISTAN
Dow Medical College
Institute of Business Administration
Lahore University of Management Science