MONTCLAIR KIMBERLEY ACADEMY

SCHOOL PROFILE 2024-2025

Mission Statement: MKA's challenging, engaging, and innovative academic program provides a vibrant and transformative education. Our faculty's deep and genuine understanding of our students as individuals and as learners fosters their ethical development, intellectual growth, and personal success. MKA's diverse, collaborative, and inclusive community inspires students to lead lives of noble character, purpose, and distinction.



Montclair Kimberley Academy is one of the largest independent day schools in New Jersey, located on three campuses with traditions dating back to 1887. There are 177 faculty members; 86% hold advanced degrees. MKA currently enrolls students in grades Pre-K through 12 from more than 85 communities in New Jersey and New York. There are 447 students in the Upper School; the Class of 2025 numbers 112 students.

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DIVERSITY & INCLUSION STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

We believe that a diversity of experiences presented through a rigorous multicultural curriculum develops our global cultural competency. To cultivate a love of learning, we encourage ourselves to explore and appreciate differences and similarities, to challenge stereotypes and to acknowledge the broad range of perspectives within and outside of our community. We uphold that an inclusive school environment fosters a culture of mutual respect, oral responsibility, and academic excellence. To recognize complexity and value empathy, we welcome, embrace, support and encourage our entire community: its races, cultures, genders and sexualities, its experiences and economics, its aspirations, abilities and affiliations. We strive for equity and social justice as the foundation for our engagement with an increasingly complex world. To promote full and active citizenship and leadership, we engage with the world through the strength of our ethical convictions and recognize our deep interdependence with others.

GLOBAL EXPERIENCE

MKA values the integration of classroom learning and real-world experience. The Global Experience program empowers students to think critically about and cultivate empathy for the classroom beyond our walls and to gain the skills necessary to be more informed, ethical and active global citizens. Students can participate in our PenPal programs with schools in China, Tanzania, and Morroco, various virtual experiences such as cooking classes and manga lessons, and our travel programs over Spring Break, May Term and summer. Through these opportunities, students find themselves in a position to affect meaningful change because they are encouraged to build bridges between themselves and people in other places.

MAY TERM

May Term provides a transitional learning experience for seniors, helping to prepare them for life beyond high school. Options include group travel, independent projects, internships, service projects, and an entrepreneurial venture known as Startup 101. In recent years, students have utilized AI to create a translator for underrepresented languages, written, directed and performed an original theater production, interned with a National Geographic photographer, assisted in collegiate biochemistry research, and launched a tick repellent business.

112	16	100+	27,000	86%
SENIORS IN THE CLASS OF 2025	AVERAGE CLASS SIZE	UPPER SCHOOL STUDENTS ATTEND MKA'S ETHICAL LEADERSHIP RETREAT	SQUARE FOOT INQUIRY AND INNOVATION CENTER	OF FACULTY HOLD ADVANCED DEGREES

ACADEMIC PROGRAM & DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

GRADING POLICIES

MKA does not weight grades or rank its students. Only graded courses taken at MKA are used in the GPA calculation.

Graduates must earn 120 credits, including 4 years of English, 3 years of a single World Language, 3 years of Mathematics, 3 years of History, 3 years of Science; 9 credits in the Fine and Performing Arts, and 4.5 credits in Health, Wellness and Physical Education.

CURRICULUM NOTES

Classes meet for 75 minutes, 4 times in an 8-day cycle, with an average class size of 14. Beyond the 5 traditional academic disciplines, curricular offerings include courses in computer scienceand the fine and performing arts. Course placements are based on student achievement and teacherrecommendation, and do not alwaysconform to gradelevel generalizations below. Honors courses are accelerated courses for qualified students who have shown exceptional ability and who work well independently. Students are recommendedfor honors courses by meeting specific prerequisites and may request only one honors course against recommendation each school year. Enrollment in AP coursesis by faculty invitation only and all students are required to take the corresponding exam in May. Students may not request any AP or Post-AP course against recommendation.

All Honors, AP and Post-AP courses are highlighted.

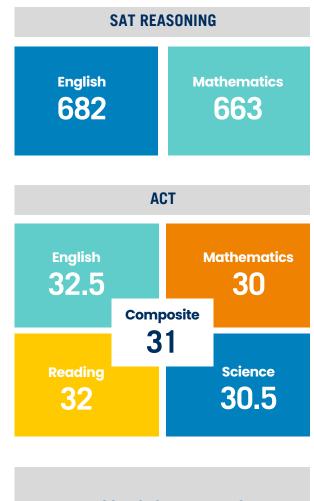
COURSE OF STUDY (AVAILABLE TO THE CLASS OF 2024)					
	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12	
ENGLISH	English 1 English 2 English 1 CRW English 2 CRW English 1 Honors English 2 Honors	Electives in Literature (Semester)			
		_	AP Language & Comp	AP Literature & Comp	
WORLD LANGUAGES	Chinese, French, Latin, S Chinese, French, Latin, S Chinese, French, Latin, S Chinese, French, Latin, S Chinese, French, Latin, S	Spanish 2 Spanish 2 Honors Spanish 2 Honors	Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish 4 Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish 4 Honors AP Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish Language	Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish 5 Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish 5 Honors	
HISTORY	Early World History Early World History Honors	Modern World History Modern World History Honors	United States History United States History Honors American & Comparative Government Honors	Economics Economics Honors Political Theory Honors Civil Rights Revolutions (12)	
MATHEMATICS & Computer Science	Geometry Geometry Honors Algebra 2 Algebra 2 Honors	Adv Algebra 2 Honors Precalculus Precalculus Honors Adv Precalculus Honors Comp Sci Fundamentals Intro to Programming	Calculus Calculus Honors AP Calculus AB AP Calculus AB/BC Statistics AP Statistics AP Computer Science Java Programming	AP Calculus BC Post-AP Linear Algebra Post-AP Multivariable Calculus Post-AP Data Structures & Algorithms	
SCIENCE	Biology 1 Biology 1 Honors Biology 1 Science Research Honors	Chemistry 1 Chemistry 1 Honors Chemistry 1 Science Research Honors	Biology 2 Honors AP Biology AP Chemistry Biomechanics & Physiology Astronomy 1, 2 Science Research Honors 1,2	Environmental Science 1, 2 AP Environmental Science Physics 1 Physics 1 Honors AP Physics 1 Physics 2 Honors AP Physics C: Mechanics, Electricity & Magnetism	

AP & POST-AP COURSE ENROLLMENT

# AP	2025	2024	2023
0	19%	23%	27%
1-2	21%	19%	18%
3-4	21%	14%	20%
5-6	21%	23%	18%
7-9	18%	21%	17%
# Post-AP	2025	2024	2023
1	16%	10%	8%
2	3%	7%	2%
3	3%	3%	2%

HONORS HISTORY COURSE ENROLLMENT

# Honors History Courses (11th & 12th)	2025	2024	2023
0	19%	21%	28%
1	54%	50%	43%
2	19%	28%	24%
3	8%	0%	5%
4	0%	1%	0%



AP COURSES AND EXAMS

MKA offers AP courses and exams in the following subjects: English Language and Composition, EnglishLiterature and Composition; Chinese Language and Culture, French Language and Culture, Latin, Spanish Language and Culture; Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Calculus AB/BC, Computer Science A, Statistics; Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Physics 1, Physics C: Mechanics and Electricity & Magnetism; Music Theory and Studio Art.

The Class of 2024 took 396 exams in 18 subjects. 84% of exams earned scores of 3 or higher; 53% earned scores of 4 or 5. This class includes 14 AP Scholars, 12 AP Scholars with Honors, and 27 AP Scholars with Distinction.

COLLEGE MATRICULATION (CLASSES 2021-2024)

Two or more MKA graduates matriculated at the following colleges and universities upon graduation. **Bold** type represents schools with three or more graduates.

Amherst College **George Washington University** University of Richmond **Georgetown University** Babson College University of Rochester

Gettysburg College Bates College **Rutgers University**

Harvard University Boston College San DiegoState University

Boston University Haverford College Savannah College of Art and Design

Bucknell University Howard University Skidmore College

Indiana University University of Southern California University of California Berkeley

Johns Hopkins University University of California Irvine Spelman College

Carnegie Mellon University **Kenyon College Stevens Institute of Technology**

Case Western Reserve University **Lafayette College Syracuse University**

Lehigh University College of Charleston University of Tennessee

List College-JTS **University of Chicago University of Toronto**

University of Miami Colby College Tufts University

University of Michigan Colgate University Tulane University

Montclair State University **Vanderbilt University** University of Colorado, Boulder

New York University Columbia University University of Vermont

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Villanova University Connecticut College

Northeastern University Cornell University University of Virginia

Northwestern University Virginia Polytechnic Institute **Dartmouth College**

Oberlin College Duke University Wake Forest University

Ohio StateUniversity **Elon University Wesleyan University**

Pennsylvania State University Emerson College Williams College

University of Pennsylvania

University of Pittsburgh

Pratt Institute Fordham University

Princeton University Franklin and Marshall College



University of Wisconsin

Yale University

Emory University

University of Florida