

Chandler Preparatory Academy

School Profile 2026-2027 Academic Year

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School & Community Context

Chandler Preparatory Academy (CPA) is a member of Great Hearts Academies which is a non-profit network of charter schools providing a classical liberal arts education. Our core curriculum is a robust liberal arts education that introduces students to the tools of critical inquiry essential to each discipline and every walk of life. The Great Books curriculum emphasizes the fundamentals of the arts, sciences, and humanities as students are in conversation with many of the most challenging, influential texts in the Western canon. This academic approach prepares college-bound students for the rigors of higher education as well as agreeing with Plato, that the highest goal of education is to become good, intellectually and morally. Due to our deliberate Great Books curriculum and dedication to Socratic Seminar, no AP or IB courses are offered. All core curriculum courses are honors courses. Dual enrollment options are available for 10th-12th grade, with the exception of 10th grade Poetry, and are designated as college level (CL) on our transcripts.

Leadership Opportunities For Students:

- Titan Leadership Council: A selected group of students to represent the student body who meet with our school administration once a month.
- Mentors: Selected and recommended by faculty and staff, Mentors support new students as they acclimate to the academic and social culture of the school.
- House Leadership: These positions include: House Captains, House Spirit Coordinators, and House Service Coordinators.
- Athletic Captains: Athletes have an opportunity to be captains for the various sports teams we have at CPA. The selection process for each team is decided by the coach and players.
- Student Ambassadors: These students are often helping at school events and are the first to greet visitors to our classrooms.

Unique Feature:

Chandler Prep is the only Great Hearts Academy in Arizona that has a community service graduation requirement of 40 hours.

School Information:

CEEB Code - 030649
Enrollment: 335
students (grade 9-12)
Accreditation - Cognia

Enrichment Course Offerings:

Robotics, Science Bowl, Award-winning Choral Performance and Instrumental Groups, Chess, Art Guild, Mock Trial, World Languages & Cultures, College Test Prep, Math Preparation, Yearbook, Newspaper, Jiu-Jitsu, Strategic Games, Drama, and Archery.

Class of 2026 Outcomes

Number of Graduates	65
Unweighted GPA Range	1.68-4.0
Average Unweighted GPA	3.40
Average Weighted GPA	4.24
# of National Merit Scholars	2
# of National Commended Scholars	1
# of National Recognition Scholars	16

Class of 2026 Test Data

Test	Middle 50%	Mean	# Tested
ACT	20-27	25	65
SAT	1170-1350	1260	44

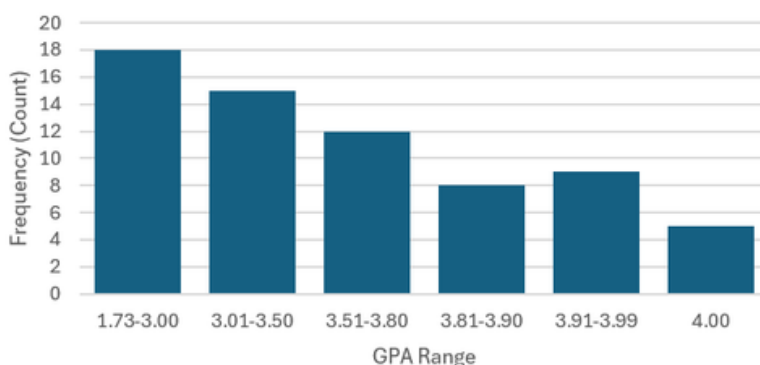
Class of 2026 Post Graduation Plans

- 80% attending 4-year institutions
 - 58% attending in-state schools
 - 22% attending out-of-state schools
- 18% attending 2-year institutions
- 55% pursuing a STEM major
- 1 entering the workforce

Merit and Honors

- 77% received some form of merit aid
- 57% graduated with Honors (3.5+ unweighted GPA)

Class of 2027 GPA Distribution (Unweighted GPA)



*Class of 2027 is 67 students

High School Curriculum- Chandler Preparatory Academy

Curriculum:

- Due to our deliberate Great Books curriculum and dedication to Socratic seminar, we do not offer AP or IB curriculum. The highest course level in all subjects, with the exception of poetry, performing and fine arts, is Honors.
- Transfer students may have a different curricular sequence than that listed below.
- The Arizona state requirement, one full credit, for U.S. History is fulfilled in 9th Grade H. Humane Letters I.
- The Arizona state requirement, one-half credit, for U.S. Government is fulfilled in 10th Grade H. Humane Letters II.
- We do not rank our students, and letter grades and competition among students are de-emphasized.
- We have a menu of college credit options that students may self-select into (including but not limited to AP tests, CLEP tests, and dual-enrollment for select courses).
 - Enrolling in a dual enrollment course means that the student is pursuing the credit option ordered for that course. It should not be interpreted as completing more or different work than what is already being completed in that Honors course.

Transcript and GPA:

- The GPA represented on transcripts only includes classes taken at a Great Hearts Academy.
- If a student attended Great Hearts and earned a passing grade in Algebra, this will be denoted on the transcript with a “P” (pass) during the 8th grade year.
- For the weighted GPA, all Honors courses receive a full extra point for GPA calculation.
- Core Course Studies may be reflected on a student’s transcript. Core Course Studies class provides students with instruction and support to enable them to progress academically in core content areas. This instruction supplements but does not supplant any core-area course in which students are also enrolled.

9th Grade Curriculum: • Honors Humane Letters I: The American Tradition • Honors Geometry • Honors Biology (with lab) • Music Theory III / Choir Honors • Modern Language I ▪ French I, German I or Spanish I • Honors Latin • IV Poetry I	10th Grade Curriculum: • Honors Humane Letters II: The Rise of Modern Europe (CL) • Honors Algebra II/Trigonometry (CL) • Honors Chemistry (with lab) (CL) • Music Theory IV / Choir (CL) • Honors Modern Language II (CL) ▪ French II, German II or Spanish II • Honors Latin V (CL) • Poetry II	11th Grade Curriculum: • Honors Humane Letters III: Ancient Greece (CL) • Honors Physics I: Electromagnetism/ Thermodynamics/Mechanics (with lab) (CL) • Honors Calculus I (CL) • Honors Modern Language III (CL) ▪ French III, German III or Spanish III • Honors Ancient Greek I (CL) • Honors Economics (CL) • Drama I (CL)
12th Grade Curriculum: • Honors Humane Letters IV: Rome to Modernity (CL) • Honors Calculus II (CL) * • Honors Physics II (CL) * • Honors Modern Language IV (CL) * ▪ French IV, German IV, or Spanish IV • Honors Ancient Greek II (CL) • Honors Rhetoric (CL) * • Honors Logic and Computation (CL) * • Drama II (CL) • Studio Art III (CL) • Senior Thesis & Defense * Students must take Honors Humane Letters, Studio Art and Drama, and then choose three out of the five remaining Honors options.	Senior Thesis and Defense: • Each graduate completes a capstone project known as the Senior Thesis. • It is a year-long project completed in addition to the normal course-load. • Students receive .25 credit on their transcript for successfully completing their thesis and defense. This credit is not factored into the GPA. In this project, students... • Work closely with a faculty advisor to read and discuss two or three Great Books in one-on-one meetings. • Will have produced a 15-20 page paper on a major philosophical question of their choosing that synthetically brings forth their own answer to a major philosophical question by the end of the third quarter. • Will participate in an hour-long oral defense of their work before a panel of teachers and school community during the fourth quarter.	

Humane Letters: The “most distinctive feature” of a Great Hearts Academy

Humane Letters is a combined History and English course and is the most distinctive feature of the high school curriculum at Chandler Prep for all 9th-12th grade students. Humane Letters is a two hour, daily seminar, directed Socratically and revolves around readings from the Western Civilization's best works in philosophy, drama, history, poetry, novels, and essays. This collaborative setting allows for the development of the art of conversation and civil discourse, which includes above all the habit of listening well to both the great authors as well as their peers.