

Grade Twelve Overview

Classroom Structure:

King's High School is on a block schedule which includes four daily classes that meet for 75 minutes, completing one course in two nine-week semesters, or one term. One block of 50 minutes over the entire school year (except Chapel days) meets at the beginning of each school day. Students take nine or ten classes per year. The school day runs from 8:10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Spiritual Life:

- **Chapel:** Christian living, youth culture, lifestyle issues and practical applications of Biblical truth to daily living are emphasized.
- **Bible Studies:** Our weekly Bible study called "The River," meets on Wednesday mornings at 7:00 a.m. in the Music Hall. All high school students are invited to come and pray for King's, encourage each other in faith, listen and share testimonies and worship God in song.
- **Christian Service:** Annual service projects of 40 hours per year are completed by each student as part of the Bible curriculum. In lieu of the service project, students have the option of taking a final exam.

Academic Life:

- **Bible:** Christian worldview and Biblical apologetics are emphasized. The Family Living section of the curriculum focuses on interpersonal relationship principles.
- **Advanced Placement (AP):** Advanced Placement courses are College Board directed for advanced students. Students are admitted by application and may receive college credit by passing the AP test given in May. Advanced Placement courses are offered in English, History, Math, Science, Art and Spanish.
- **English:** A deeper look at literary genres and text types, with an emphasis on preparing students for college coursework. The literature is approached in a way that develops critical reading and writing skills in preparation for college. AP Literature and Composition is offered as well. Senior English must be taken and passed at King's High School in order to graduate.
- **Composition:** An in-depth college writing course designed to prepare students for rigorous academic research and writing. This course can be taken for University of Washington credit through the UWHS program.
- **Speech & Debate:** Students are prepared for a variety of public speaking situations and use analysis, research, and organizational skills for formal debate.

- **History:** Civics is in two halves, U.S. Government and Contemporary World Issues. US Government covers the presidency, Congress and Supreme Court; federalism, separation of powers and checks and balances; rights and responsibilities of the citizens; the Constitution, civil liberties and civil rights; current issues in government and politics; and elections. The second half of both classes (in AP, starting after the AP exam) is Contemporary World Issues, focusing on those parts of the world that are likely to be challenging for Americans 20 years from now; Islam, India, China and Japan. In each, the class focuses on the impact of religion, foundational history (briefly), 20th century trends that led to the current state of affairs, and problems and prospects of these areas today. AP U.S. Government is available by application and covers the same issues.
- **Foreign Language:** Students must complete two years of Spanish to fulfill the graduation requirement. Students have the option to get dual credit in Spanish 3 & 4 thru Northwest University.
- **Mathematics:** Senior level math courses are Intermediate Algebra II, Algebra II, Intermediate Algebra III/Trigonometry or Algebra III/Trigonometry, Pre-calculus and AP Calculus. Students who completed AP Calculus in their junior year can take AP Calculus BC. Students who have completed Honors Algebra II, Algebra III/Trigonometry or Precalculus can take Statistics.
- **Science:** Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Science and Anatomy/Physiology are offered. Anatomy/Physiology is offered as concurrent credit with Northwest University (Human Biology SCIE1531/1 with lab). AP Chemistry, AP Physics and AP Biology are available by fulfillment of pre-requisites and application.
- **Speech/Debate:** Students are prepared for a variety of public speaking situations by using analysis, research, and organizational skills for formal debate.

Elective Options:

- **BIBLE:** CS Lewis, Leadership, Revelation
- **ENGLISH:** Mock Trial Foundations, Mock Trial, FILM (Fundamentals of Interpreting the Language of Media)
- **FOREIGN LANGUAGE:** Spanish 1, 2, 3 and 4 (Northwest University option for 3,4), AP Spanish
- **HISTORY:** Introduction to Psychology, Social Justice, Advanced Social Justice, History in Film, Culture & World Religions
- **MUSIC:** Abundant Life, Living Faith, Concert Choir, Orchestra, Band, Guitar
- **FINE/PERFORMING ARTS:** Art Design 101, Cuisines, Cultural Arts, Introduction to Improv, Introduction to Acting, Advanced Drama, Graphic Design, Independent Art, KHS Live (improv group), Photography, Advanced Photography, Pottery 1, 2, 3, Yearbook (Sceptre), Studio Art 1 & 2, AP Art, AP 2D Design
- **CAREER CONCENTRATION:** Business 101, Advanced Business, Marketing/DECA, Advanced Marketing/DECA, Journalism and Design, Film Making, Robotics, Advanced Robotics, Gaming Software Development, Web Design & Communications, Computer Aided Design (CAD), Mobile App Design, AP /UWHS Computer Science 142 & 143
- **PHYSICAL EDUCATION:** Weight Training, General PE, Fitness & Balance
- **ADDITIONAL COURSES:** SAT Power Prep, Traffic Education

Textbooks:

- **Bible:** English Standard Version, Department generated texts and materials
- **Math:**
 - Larson Elementary and Intermediate Algebra 5th Edition (Brooks/Cole Cengage Learning 2010)
 - Larson Algebra 2 (McDongal Littell, 2011)
 - Precalculus, 7th Edition (Houghton Mifflin, 2007)
 - Calculus of a Single Variable, 9th Edition (Brooks/Cole Cengage Learning, 2010 – AP Edition)
 - Workshop Statistics: Discovery with Data, 4th Edition, by Rossman and Chance
- **History:**
 - United States Government: Principles in Practice (Holt McDougal, 2012) College Bound Classes
 - Government in America: People, Politics and Policy (Pearson, 2014) AP Classes
 - The World's History (Prentice Hall, 2006) Both AP & College Bound Classes
- **Science:**
 - Essentials of Human Anatomy & Physiology (Addison Wesley, 11th Edition, 2015)
 - Biology AP Edition: Campbell/Reece (Benjamin Cummings, 10th Edition)
 - Environmental Science (Holt, Rinehart & Winston, 2006)
 - World of Chemistry, (Zumdahl, 2006)
 - Chemistry (Zumdahl, 2006)
 - Physics, 9th Edition (Cutnell and Johnson, 2012)
- **Spanish 1:**
 - Piratas (TPRS Publishing, 2008)
 - El nuevo Houdini (TPRS Publishing, 2010)
- **Spanish 2:**
 - Los Baker van a Peru (TPRS Publishing, 2007)
 - La maldicion de la cabeza reducida (TPRS Publishing, 2009)
- **Spanish 3 & 4:**
 - Imagina, 3rd Edition (Vista Higher Learning, Inc., 2015)
- **AP Spanish:**
 - Temas, AP Spanish Language & Culture (Vista Higher Learning, Inc., 2014)

Extra-Curricular Life:

- **Activities:** “Kaleidoscope” – our first fall dance; Tolo; Winter Ball; Homecoming and Spirit Week; Mr. KHS; Knight of the Arts; Daddy & Daughter Dinner, Drama Productions; Clubs; National Honor Society; ASB Sponsored Dances
- **Competitive Academic Teams:** DECA, Mock Trial, Robotics, Ethics Bowl
- **Sports:** Volleyball, Football, Cross Country, Boys & Girls Basketball, Boys & Girls Soccer, Track, Cheerleading, Boys & Girls Golf; Girls Tennis, Boys Baseball
- **Link Crew:** Freshmen mentorship program with training and specific times to mentor inside and outside of the classroom

- **Student Government and Leadership:** Interhigh (a Cascade League leadership training program), class and ASB council positions
- **Recent Mission & Service Trips:** Israel, Dominican Republic, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Jamaica, Thailand, Honduras, Uganda and Rwanda in Africa, Guatemala, Mexico, Laos, China, England and France (trips vary annually)

Senior Year Experiences:

- **Senior Retreat:** A two-day retreat usually held the second week of school. The retreat focuses on class unity.
- **Senior 100 Days:** Planned by senior parents, this evening event celebrates the last 100 days of the school year.
- **Junior/Senior Ball:** This is the final formal event for the seniors.
- **Senior Graduation Party:** This is an all-night event planned by senior parents following the graduation ceremony in June.