



Kinder High School
for the
Performing and
Visual Arts

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District and Community

Houston ISD, with more than 209,000 students and encompassing 301 square miles within greater Houston, is the seventh-largest public-school system in the nation and the largest in Texas. HISD is among the largest employers in Houston, with approximately 27,395 full and part-time employees. Most HISD personnel are assigned to schools and deliver services directly to students on a day-to-day basis. Its schools are dedicated to giving every student the best possible education through an intensive core curriculum and specialized, challenging instructional and career programs. The district is extremely diverse with the following ethnic student breakdown: 62% Hispanic, 24% African American, 9% White, 4% Asian and 75% economically-disadvantaged.

The School

HSPVA evolved in 1971 from a realization that gifted young artists need highly specialized and rigorous training in the arts to be prepared for the intense competition they will meet in colleges, conservatories, and the professional arts world. The creation of HSPVA represented the first attempt by any public high school in the nation to correlate an academic program with concentrated training in the arts. Also, it was one of only three public schools in the nation to offer programs in both the visual and performing arts, and the first such institution in the southwest. For Houston ISD, the formation of HSPVA represented a dramatic departure from traditional comprehensive programs. In 2019, the school transitioned to our new building in downtown Houston and was renamed Kinder High School for the Performing and Visual Arts. Kinder HSPVA is fully accredited and offers the same academic curriculum and graduation requirements as all HISD high schools; the major difference in the academic program is that we offer the added ingredient of correlating the arts with academics, rather than treating either as isolated disciplines. The school schedule is an alternating A/B block schedule with classes meeting for 1.5 hours every other day with the exception of first period which meets every day for 45 minutes. Students spend three hours every day in rigorous focused study in one art discipline with the balance of the day's study in academics. **All students must audition for placement at Kinder HSPVA and are accepted to a single art area of focus.**

Grading Scale		
Range	Weighted	Regular
A=90-100	5.0	4.0
B=80-89	4.0	3.0
C=75-79	3.0	2.0
D=70-74	2.0	1.0
F=0-69	0	0

TRANSCRIPT SYMBOLS

Q-PreAP (honors pts)

:H-HISD Advanced (honors pts)

P-AP (honors pts)

Current Enrollment-785

Seniors-179

GPA and Rank

Kinder HSPVA only reports rank by student request. GPA is weighted on a 4.0 scale and is cumulative including all courses taken for high school credit. All HSPVA art area courses, which includes 16 credits over four years, are out of 4 points (there are no AP/PreAP/HISD Advanced options for art area courses).

Highest GPA: 4.56

Lowest GPA: 2.10

Median GPA: 4.0

School

Profile

2021-2022

School Administration

Dr. Priscilla Rivas, Principal
Sean Tellez, Assistant Principal
Oscar Perez, Assistant Principal
Christy Farris, Counselor
Becky Johnson, Counselor
Dan McCommis, Registrar
Jonathan Klein, Magnet Coordinator

School Recognition

Nationally Recognized Blue-Ribbon School

2021 Niche Ratings

#6 Best Public School in the Houston area
A+ Overall Grade

US News and World Report Best High Schools 2021

2017-2022 Exemplary School -Arts Schools Network

Rockefeller Award for Excellence in Arts Education

Coca-Cola Foundation Distinguished Arts School

Grammy Award Winning Music Department

Texas Education Agency "A" Rating 2018-2019

Texas Education Agency Exemplary School
2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012

32 students recognized as U.S. Presidential Scholars in
the Arts

Class of 2021--Achievements

(181 Graduates)

National Merit Finalists-8

National Merit Commended Students-19

AP Scholars-47

AP Scholars with Honor-32

AP Scholars with Distinction-65

2021 Scholarships Offered

Over \$20,426,105

Honors (Pre-AP or HISD Advanced), and Advanced Placement Courses

Kinder HSPVA offers ten HISD Advanced and sixteen Advanced Placement (AP) courses. Enrollment is open to all students; however, required campus arts programming **only allows five academic courses to be taken annually**. In addition, scheduling conflicts often exist due to fine art area requirements which may prevent a student from taking a desired HADV or AP course. Students taking AP are required to take the exam in May & AP test fees are paid by Houston ISD.

HISD Advanced Courses Offered

English I	English II
Geometry	Algebra II
Pre-calculus	Biology
Chemistry	World Geography
Spanish III	French III

Advanced Placement Courses Offered (2021-2022)

English Language	English Literature	Macroeconomics
Calculus AB	Physics C-Mech & EM	Statistics
Biology	World History	Music Theory
US History	US Government	Psychology
Spanish Language	Chemistry	European History

Campus Demographics

White	43.8%
Hispanic or Latino	20.5%
African-American	18%
Asian/Pac. Islander	10.2%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	.38%
Multiple	7.1%
Economically Disadvantaged	18%

Class of 2021 Post Graduation Plans

Class Size-181

Acceptance Rate	94%	170
4 Year College	92%	166
2 Year College	2%	4
Pursuing Higher Education	94%	170
Gap Year	6%	10
Out of State	52%	95
Military	1%	1

Kinder HSPVA students are accepted to a wide array of competitive academic and artistic programs across the United States and abroad. Please contact the Kinder HSPVA Counseling Department for a comprehensive list of these institutions.

SAT Score Summary - (Middle 50%)

2021 Mean Score-1211	Class of 2018	Class of 2019	Class of 2021
# of Seniors Taking Test	189	175	129
Critical Reading/ERW	590-705	590-700	600-690
Math	550-670	550-670	600-690
Writing	30-35	30-35	30-34

Advanced Placement Summary Score Report

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Total AP	392	357	355	326	307
Number of Exams	864	884	852	809	785
Exams with 3+	617	755	733	671	655
% of Total AP Students with 3+	72%	85.4%	82%	82.9%	83.4%

Detailed 2021 Advanced Placement Results

Subject	5	4	3	2	1	ALL
Music Theory	19	4	4	0	0	27
English Lang	14	44	49	31	5	143
English Lit	16	35	28	27	6	112
Macro Eco	16	18	6	9	24	73
US Government	23	17	29	17	12	98
US History	17	25	13	12	8	75
World History	25	27	24	10	6	92
Euro History	6	6	2	2	0	16
Calculus AB	9	8	9	9	2	37
Biology	3	14	7	7	2	33
Physics C: EM	5	4	0	3	0	12
Physics C: Mec	7	3	1	1	1	13
Psychology	11	5	8	7	15	46
Chemistry	1	11	13	6	2	33
Statistics	2	6	7	9	13	37
Spanish Lang	4	4	2	1	0	11
Number of	178	231	202	151	96	858
% of Total	20.7	26.9	23.5	17.	11.2	100

2021 Mean ACT Score-30

Average PSAT Scores
2019-1184 Total (ERW-M)
2020-1186 Total (ERW-M)
2021- 1166 Total (ERW-M)