



Glendale Preparatory Academy

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School Information

School Code - 030697
Established Date - 2007
Size (enrollment) - 552 students
Accreditation - AdvancED

Our Prep Schools



GreatHearts

Great Hearts Academies is a non-profit network of charter schools and the largest "brick and mortar" provider of classical liberal arts education in the nation.

As a public charter, we provide a tuition-free education for approximately 14,000 students in 28 academies in Arizona and Texas. Great Hearts is subject to open enrollment laws. Typically, our academies receive more applications for enrollment than there are seats available. If this is the case for any grade level at an academy, a lottery will be held. Students who are not admitted through the lottery process will be placed on a waitlist and may be offered admission during that year if a seat becomes available.

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.

Testing Results

(Network Averages of 383 Students from the Class of 2017)

	Middle 50%	Mean
SAT		
SAT EB Reading and Writing	570-680	625
SAT Math	540-660	600
SAT Composite	1120-1320	1230
ACT		
English	24-31	27.2
Reading	23-31	26.8
Math	24-28	26
Science	23-27	25
Composite	24-29	26.4

National Merit Commended: 15%

National Merit Finalists: 4%

Students accepted to more or most selective colleges and universities: 68%

Students immediately attending college: 98% (* 2% gap year or military)

Faculty Data

41 # of faculty members

22 # of faculty members with a Masters degree

13:1 Student/Teacher Ratio

3 # of faculty members with a PhD

High School Curriculum

9th Grade Curriculum:

- Honors Humane Letters I
- Honors Geometry
- Honors Biology (with lab)
- Music III (including theory, composition, and choral performance)
- Honors Modern Language I (French or Spanish) or Honors Latin IV
- Studio Art III

10th Grade Curriculum:

- Honors Humane Letters II
- Honors Trigonometry / Pre-Calculus
- Honors Physics I: Mechanics (with lab)
- Honors Modern Language II (French or Spanish) or Honors Latin V
- Honors Economics
- Music IV (including theory, composition, and choral performance)

11th Grade Curriculum:

- Honors Humane Letters III
- Honors Calculus I / II
- Honors Physics II: Electromagnetism/ Thermodynamics/ Wave Motion (with lab)
- Drama II
- Honors Modern Language III (French or Spanish) or Honors Ancient Greek I
- Poetry I

12th Grade Curriculum:

- Honors Humane Letters IV
- Honors Calculus III / Advanced Math Topics
- Honors Chemistry (with lab)
- Studio Art IV (including drawing, painting and sculpture)
- Honors Modern Language IV (French or Spanish) or Honors Ancient Greek II
- Drama III
- Studio Art IV
- Senior Thesis & Defense

Senior Thesis and Defense:

Each graduate completes a capstone project known as the Senior Thesis. The Senior Thesis is the culmination of the student's years at the academy. It is a year-long project completed in addition to the normal course load. The student, under the supervision of a faculty advisor, explores a scholarly question of his/her choice through the close reading of two to three works from the Western Intellectual Tradition. The final project illustrates a deep understanding of the topic through a 15-20 page paper and a thesis defense, a public presentation and oral examination with a faculty panel. Students receive .25 credit for successfully completing their thesis and defense.

Due to our deliberate Great Books curriculum and dedication to Socratic seminar, no AP classes or electives are offered; instead, all students take a common sequence of honors level classes. The core curriculum is four years of college-prep math, four years of laboratory science, four years of Humane Letters (a two hour block) that includes four years of literature/philosophy and four years of social science. All students also enroll in four years of full immersion foreign language, and fine arts.

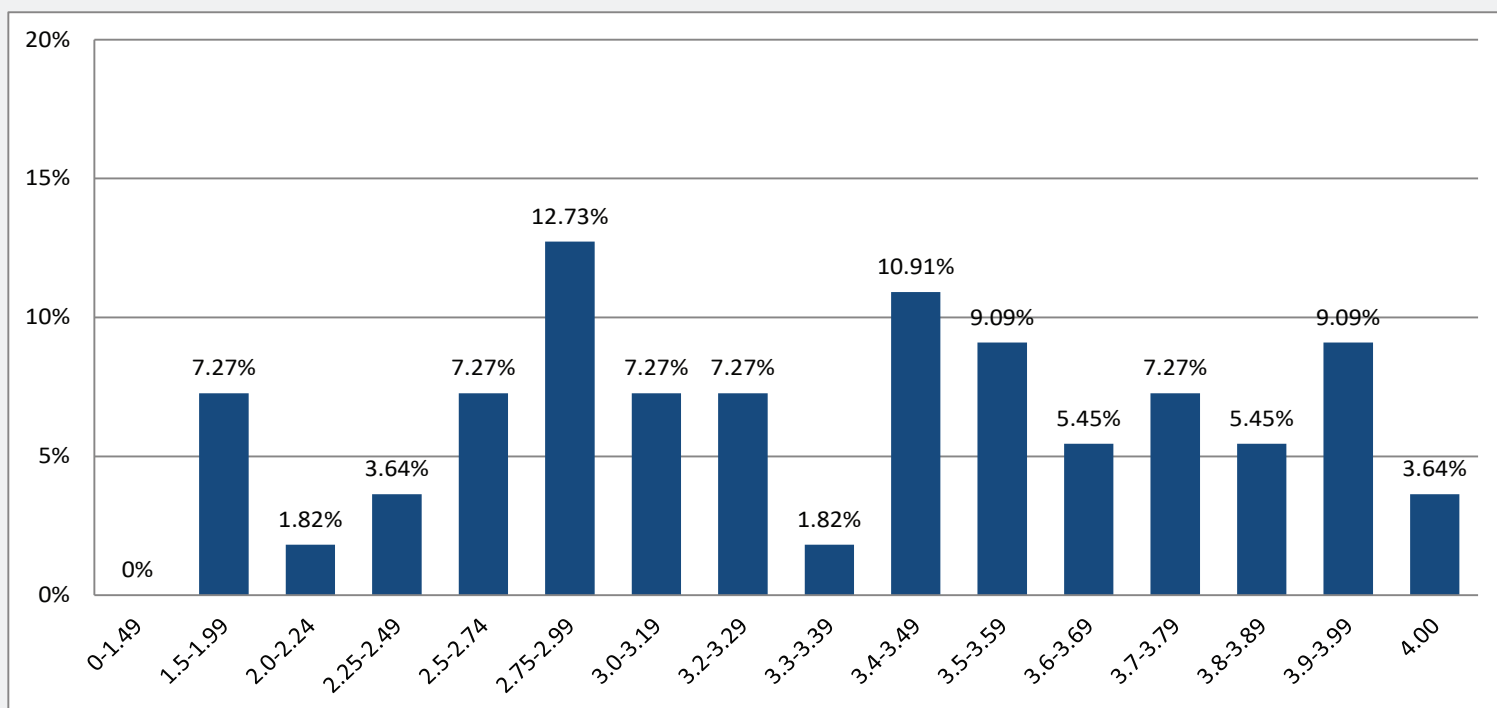
Humane Letters: Perhaps the most distinctive feature of the high school curriculum at Great Hearts is Humane Letters. The class is an exploration of the permanent questions that animate any truly human life through the history and literature of the Great Tradition of the West. What is a good man and good citizen, what are the qualities of a true friend, what kinds of virtue are necessary for a flourishing political

and moral life are just a few of the important questions that are addressed with uncommon subtlety and profundity in the books that we read together. Meeting daily for nearly two hours affords an opportunity for serious discussion among students guided by a skilled teacher who assists them to read more deeply, exploring difficulties and puzzles, and ever striving for greater clarity. This collaborative setting allows for the development of the art of conversation, which includes above all the habit of listening well to both the great authors as well as their peers.

*Core Course studies may be reflected on a student's transcript. The 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 that students are also enrolled in.



Class of 2018 GPA Distribution - Glendale Prep



*Class of 2018 has 55 students

Glendale Prep Class of 2017 Facts

Number of graduates	53
Unweighted GPA Range	1.67-4.0
Average Unweighted GPA	3.37
% of graduates attending a 4-year college/university	79%
% of graduates attending a 2-year college	21%
National Merit Finaiists	1.8%
National Merit Commended	19%
National Hispanic Finalists	3.8%
% of First Generation	17%
% of Self-identified students of color	19%

TEST	Middle 50%	Mean	# Tested
ACT	24-29	26.6	41
SAT CR & M	1140-1350	1250	47

Select Features

- The Arizona state requirement, one full credit, for U.S. History is fulfilled in 9th grade Humane Letters
- The Arizona state requirement, one-half credit, for U.S. Government is fulfilled in 10th grade Humane Letters
- The highest course level in all subjects, with the exception of fine arts, is Honors
- For the weighted GPA, all Honors courses receive a full extra point for GPA calculation
- We believe in the growth of leaders through accomplishments; we do not have class officers or NHS
- We do not rank our students, and letter grades and competition among students are de-emphasized
- Transfer students may have a different curricular sequence

Network Sample College Acceptances and Matriculation 2015- 2017

Allegheny College	Evergreen State College	Point Loma Nazarene University *	University of Colorado, Colorado Springs *
American Academy of Dramatic Arts/West	Fordham University *	Portland State University	University of Colorado, Denver *
American University *	Franciscan University of Steubenville *	Princeton University *	University of Dallas *
Amherst College *	Franklin and Marshall College *	Providence College *	University of Delaware *
Arizona State University *	Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering *	Purdue University (Honors) *	University of Denver *
ASU (Barrett Honors College) *	George Fox College (Honors) *	Reed College *	University of Essex
Auburn University *	Georgetown University *	Regent University	University of Florida *
Azusa Pacific University *	George Washington University	Regis University *	University of Glasgow
Barnard College *	Georgia Institute of Technology *	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) *	University of Great Falls, Montana
Bates College *	Gettysburg College *	Rhodes College *	University of Hawaii *
Baylor University (Honors) *	Gonzaga University *	Rice University *	University of Idaho
Belmont Abbey College	Grinnell College *	Roanoke College *	University of Illinois *
Belmont University	Grove City College	Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) *	University of Iowa *
Beloit College *	Gustavus Adolphus College *	Roger Williams University *	University of Kansas *
Benedictine College *	Hamilton College *	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology *	University of Kentucky
Biola University (Torrey Honors) *	Hampshire College	Royal Conservatoire of Scotland *	University of Limerick
Boise State University	Harvard College *	Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama *	University of Maine (Honors)
Boston University *	Harvey Mudd College *	Rutgers University *	University of Mary
Bradley University	Haverford College *	Saint Louis University *	University of Massachusetts *
Brandeis University *	Hendrix College *	Saint Xavier University	University of Miami *
Briar Cliff University	High Point University *	Samford University (Honors) *	University of Michigan *
Brigham Young University, Idaho *	Hillsdale College *	San Francisco State University	University of Minnesota *
Brigham Young University, Provo *	Hofstra University	San Jose State University	University of Mississippi
Brown University *	Humboldt State University	Santa Clara University *	University of Missouri *
Bryn Mawr College *	Illinois Institute of Technology *	Sarah Lawrence College	University of Montana *
Bucknell University *	Illinois Wesleyan College *	Scripps College *	University of Nebraska *
Butler University	Indiana University	Seattle University *	University of Nevada, Las Vegas *
Cal Polytechnic Institute *	Indiana Wesleyan University	Seton Hall University *	University of New Mexico
California Institute of Technology *	Iowa State University *	Smith College *	University of Notre Dame *
California Lutheran University *	Ithaca College	Soka University *	University of Oregon (Honors) *
California Maritime	James Madison University	South Dakota School of Mines and Technology	University of Pennsylvania *
Carleton College	Johns Hopkins University *	Southern Methodist University (Honors) *	University of Portland *
Carnegie Mellon University *	Johnson & Wales University (Providence) *	St. Catherine University	University of Puget Sound
Carroll University	Kenyon College *	St. John's College *	University of Redlands *
Case Western Reserve University *	King's College *	St. John's University	University of Rhode Island *
Catholic University of America	Lake Forest College *	St. John's University	University of Richmond *
Central College *	Lawrence University *	St. Lawrence University *	University of Rochester *
Centro De Investigacion Y Docencia Economicas	Lehigh University *	St. Mary's College of California *	University of San Diego *
Chapman University *	Lewis & Clark College *	St. Mary's College of Maryland	University of San Francisco *
Claremont McKenna College *	Liberty University	St. Olaf College *	University of South Carolina (Honors)
Clemson University	Louisiana Tech University	Stanford University	University of Southern California *
Colby College *	Loyola Marymount University (Honors) *	Swarthmore College *	University of Tampa
College of Charleston *	Loyola University of Maryland *	Syracuse University *	University of Texas, Austin *
College of Idaho *	Loyola University of New Orleans *	Temple University	University of the Pacific *
College of the Atlantic	Loyola University, Chicago *	Texas A & M University *	University of Toledo
College of the Holy Cross *	Macalester College *	Texas Christian University *	University of Toronto
College of William and Mary	Manhattan College *	Texas Tech University *	University of Utah (Honors) *
College of Wooster *	Manhattanville College	The New School - All Divisions *	University of Vermont
Colorado Christian University	Marquette University	Thomas Aquinas College *	University of Virginia *
Colorado College *	Marymount University (Honors)	Towson University	University of Washington *
Colorado School of Mines *	Massachusetts Institute of Technology *	Trinity College *	University of Wisconsin *
Colorado State University *	Master's College and Seminary	Trinity University *	Valparaiso University
Colorado State University, Pueblo	Mills College	Tulane University *	Vanderbilt University *
Columbia University *	Montana State University (Honors)	Tufts University *	Vassar College *
Concordia University	New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology	Union College	Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Connecticut College	New York University *	United States Air Force Academy *	Wabash College *
Cooper Union *	Northeastern University (Honors) *	United States Merchant Marine Academy *	Wartburg College *
Cornell University *	Northern Arizona University *	United States Military Academy *	Washington and Lee University *
Creighton University *	Northwest Christian University *	University College Dublin	Washington State University
Dartmouth College *	Northwestern University *	University of Alabama (Honors) *	Washington University in St. Louis *
Davidson College *	Notre Dame of Maryland	University of Alberta	Wellesley College *
DePaul University *	Nova Southeastern University	University of Arizona (Honors) *	Wesleyan University *
Dordt College *	Oberlin College *	University of Arkansas *	Westminster College
Drexel University *	Oberlin Conservatory of Music *	University of British Columbia *	Westmont College *
Duke University *	Occidental College *	University of California, Berkeley *	Wheaton College *
Duquesne University *	Ohio University *	University of California, Davis *	Whitman College *
Earlham College	Pace University, New York *	University of California, Los Angeles *	Whittier College *
Eastern University (Templeton Honors) *	Patrick Henry College	University of California, San Diego *	Whitworth University *
Eckerd College (Honors)	Peabody Institute of Johns Hopkins University *	University of California, Santa Barbara *	Willamette University *
Elon University *	Pennsylvania State University *	University of California, Santa Cruz *	Williams College *
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University *	Pepperdine University *	University of Central Missouri	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Emerson College (Honors) *	Pitzer College	University of Chicago *	Xavier University
Emory University *		University of Cincinnati *	Yale University *
		University of Colorado, Boulder *	

* Denotes attendance

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