



Vision Statement

Rockhurst High School will be sought out and recognized for its ability to educate men-for-others. Rockhurst High School will, in the Jesuit tradition, foster lifelong friendships based on enduring principles and Ignatian values. It will be nationally and locally recognized as the best value-added education because of its success in developing community leaders for an increasingly diverse world.

Accreditation Information and Memberships

- AdvancED/North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement
- Jesuit Schools Network
- National Association for College Admission Counseling and its Missouri and Great Plain affiliates
- North Central Education Association of Independent College Preparatory Schools

History

Rockhurst draws upon a tradition of education in continuous practice for more than 475 years. Founded in 1910, The Academy of Rockhurst College graduated its first students in 1917. In 1923, The Academy became Rockhurst High School.

School Environment

Rockhurst High School is the only Jesuit Catholic private college preparatory school for boys in grades 9 – 12 in the Kansas City area. It is located in the southern residential portion of Kansas City, Missouri, a metropolitan area of more than 2-million people. The economy of the Kansas City metropolitan area is anchored in Kansas City, Missouri, which is the largest city in Missouri and the 37th largest city in the United States. Kansas City is home to such Fortune 1000 companies as Sprint, H & R Block, Hallmark and many others.

Student Composition

Rockhurst draws a student body that is ethnically and socio-economically diverse from **95** different zip codes, **56** in Missouri and **39** in Kansas. The current freshman class entered from **29** private and **26** public middle schools. The entire student body represents more than **127** elementary and junior high schools from the metropolitan area, with **20%** who are self-identified students of color.

Rockhurst High School's financial commitment enables student attendance from diverse socio-economic backgrounds. In the **2015-16** school year, **38%** of students received **\$2.1** million in financial aid.

Rockhurst High School, through its various programs and activities, aids in the total development of its students. While academic excellence is the hallmark of the school, Rockhurst is equally committed to provide an experience of excellence through student activities. Rockhurst's programs of

Men Distinguished by their Competence, Conscience and Compassion

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athletics, intramurals, clubs and activities, aim to be truly co-curricular, i.e., equal partners to academic course work that support and advance the goals of a Jesuit education:

- 99% of graduates attend a 4-year college or university;
- More than 45 co-curricular activities are offered in addition to 12 varsity athletic teams (in the past 10 years, teams have won 31 Missouri titles and 70 district championships);
- Students hold positions on key decision-making panels that affect the school climate (i.e. Student Government Association, Student Life Committee);
- High quality acting, vocal and instrumental programs have enabled students to participate in community events and win awards in state band and orchestra competitions;
- Students write for the nationally recognized award-winning publications: Prep News, the Quarry Yearbook and the Rock Collection Literary Magazine;
- Students participate in the "Total Ignatian Experience," an immersion program, in and out of Kansas City, and internationally, each year. These trips are built on the four pillars of service, community, simplicity, and prayer;
- National Honor Society and select students tutor weekly in the Counseling Department's Student Success Center; and
- Each year funding efforts led by student-leaders raise over \$50,000 for local and international aid organizations, emphasizing the school's mission of being compassionate to those in need.
- Students are recognized on a yearly basis through the National Merit Foundation Scholarship Program.

Class of 2016:

12 Finalists	13 Semifinalists
10 Commended	

Grading Policy

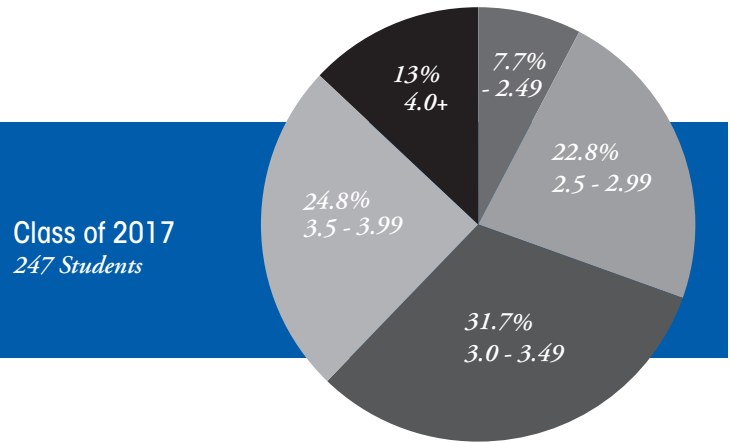
Grading periods occur quarterly; but the transcript only records semester grades. Grade point averages are computed on all subjects taken. Weighted points are assigned to the course according to the difficulty level (level I and level II). The grade point average chart below is a three-year cumulative average of the students' six semesters of high school. The GPA is weighted for AP and Honors courses.

Level I

A+	4.3
A	4.0
A-	3.7
B+	3.3
B	3.0
B-	2.7
C+	2.3
C	2.0
C-	1.7
D+	1.3
D	1.0
D-	0.7

Level II (AP and Honors)

A+	5.3
A	5.0
A-	4.7
B+	4.3
B	4.0
B-	3.7



Class Rank

Rockhurst High School offers a college preparatory track to all of our students. However, since all students do not take the same classes, we believe that a ranking system based on weighted or un-weighted grades may not fairly represent a student's achievement. Therefore, we do not rank our students.

Standardized Testing

Students are encouraged to take both the SAT and ACT exams for college admission. However, Rockhurst does **NOT** submit standardized test scores as part of the transcript. It is the student's responsibility to request and send scores directly from the testing agency.

2016 ACT Composite Profile

Representing 88% of the 2016 senior class.

	Middle 50%	Mean
English	23-30	26.8
Math	24-29	26.1
Reading	24-31	27.4
Science Reasoning	23-29	25.9
Composite	23-29	26.5

2016 SAT Composite Profile

Representing 22% of the 2016 senior class.

	Critical Reading	Math	Writing
Middle 50%	570-700	590-740	560-670
Mean	635	665	626

Disclosure Policy of Rockhurst High School

Rockhurst High School's policy regarding disclosure of disciplinary records is that Rockhurst will not notify colleges/universities that request such information of infractions resulting in probation, suspension or dismissal from this school. Rockhurst will not report disciplinary actions that occurred at previous schools attended. Nor does the school report academic probation to the colleges because those are internal measures students use to improve their performance. When students are asked on college applications about disciplinary actions during their senior years, students are expected to answer truthfully and completely.

Honors and Advanced Placement (AP)

It is our intention to make the best use of students' God-given talents by ensuring that they are presented with the academic challenge and individual attention which has been the hallmark of Jesuit Catholic education at Rockhurst High School. Enrollment in Advanced Placement and Honors courses is determined by faculty recommendation and grade point average performance on specific standardized tests.

Advanced College Credit (ACCP) Programs and High School/College Partnership (HSCP) Programs

Advanced college credit courses are offered for college credit through Rockhurst University and University of Missouri – Kansas City.

Courses offered through Rockhurst University (ACCP):

- Advanced Placement French 4
- Honors French 3 and 5
- Honors Spanish 3 and 4

Courses offered through the University of Missouri – Kansas City (HSCP):

- Advanced Placement Calculus 1
- Advanced Placement Calculus 2
- Advanced Placement Calculus 1 and 2
- Honors Chemistry
- Multivariable Calculus

Rockhurst STEAM Initiative

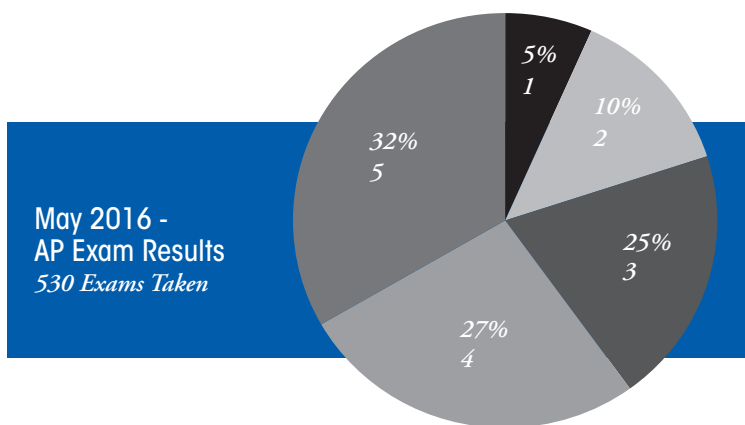
The Rockhurst High School STEAM initiative serves the school by ensuring that every student has the skills, knowledge, and thinking strategies that prepare them to be innovative, creative, and systematic problem-solvers in STEAM fields of study and work. The school is pursuing a STEM certification through AdvanCED to be completed in early 2017.



Advanced Placement Program – May 2016

Biology	Latin 4
Calculus AB	Physics C - E & M
Calculus BC	Physics C - Mechanics
Chemistry	Spanish Language
Comparative Government and Politics	Statistics*
Computer Science A*	Studio Art
Computer Science Principles*	U.S. Government
English Language/Composition*	U.S. History
English Literature/Composition	World History
European History	
French Language	

*Newly added as of 2016-17



Faith and Service Leadership

Faith and Service are at the heart of our mission at Rockhurst High School. The pastoral ministry office organizes student retreats, school Masses, and prayer services. Rooted in the Roman Catholic tradition, all programs offered at Rockhurst foster a deeper relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ; this includes students, faculty, parents, trustees and alumni. Students are invited to take an active role in our pastoral program. In particular, juniors and seniors take on leadership roles for retreats and other spiritual events. Program offerings are listed below:

- Class Retreats
- Masses, prayer services, and daily morning prayer
- Sophomore Family Conversation Program
- Mission Week and the Harvest Food Drive
- Service Trips to Tijuana, Belize, Guatemala, Urban Kansas City, Tennessee and more.

The Ignatian service program at Rockhurst provides our students with the opportunity to publicly demonstrate their commitment to being men of competence, conscience, and compassion. Christian service is an integral part of the Ignatian, Jesuit educational experience and is sewn into the fabric of our community. Students of all grades participate in year-round

service opportunities, as individuals and as small groups. All students are required to complete over **150** hours to graduate. In the 2016 school year, Rockhurst students completed more than **45,000** hours of service. In addition, **31** students received the 2016 Presidential Volunteer Service Award.

Theology is an integral part of the Rockhurst High School education. During their four years of high school, students also undertake a rigorous academic study of Christianity, social justice, moral issues, comparative religions and scripture. These courses draw upon many authors and texts including Plato, Aristotle, Saint Thomas Aquinas, Papal Encyclicals, Dorothy Day, and the New American Bible.



College Counseling Office

At Rockhurst High School, the College Counseling Office is dedicated to making the transition from high school to college a smooth and enjoyable experience. The primary goal of the office is to:

- work closely with students from the freshman year through the senior year; and
- provide guidance and support through evening programs, use of Naviance, classroom and individual meetings.

Guidance Counseling

This department has five guidance counselors who help students meet the following goals:

- design academic plans; and
- coordinate the use of services available to students.



List of Courses by Department

One full unit of credit unless indicated

Rockhurst has been one of only 17 schools chosen in the country to receive the prestigious ACT Red Quill Award for its curriculum and student preparation.

English (4 units required)

English 1, 2, 3, 4
Creative Writing: Fiction (.5)
Advanced English 1, 2
AP English 3 (Comp and Lang)
AP English 4 (Comp and Lit)

Math and Computer Programming

(4 units required)

Probability & Statistics (elective)
Algebra 1
Advanced Algebra 1
Geometry/Algebra 2
Advanced Geometry/Algebra 2
Algebra 2/Trigonometry
Honors Pre-AP Math
Intro to College Algebra
Precalculus
AP Calculus 1
AP Calculus 2
AP Calculus 1 & 2
Multivariable Calculus
Computer Management (.5)
Web Page Design (.5)
AP Statistics
AP Computer Science A
AP Computer Science Principles
Intro. To Computer Science (.5)
Software Application Development (.5)

Science (3 units lab required)

Biology
Honors Biology
AP Biology
Chemistry
Honors Chemistry
AP Chemistry
Human Physiology
Earth Science
Honors Physics
Pre-AP Physics
AP Physics
Intro to Robotic Engineering (.5)
Robotic Engineering I
Robotic Engineering II

Theology (4 units required)

Systematic Theology 1, 2
Scripture 1, 2
Philosophical Foundations of Catholic Faith 1, 2
Catholic Faith in Practice 1, 2

Social Studies (3 units required)

Ancient Civilizations (.5)
Modern World History
AP Modern World History
History of Kansas City Region (.5)
U.S. History
AP U.S. History
Economics (.5)
U.S. Government (.5)
Honors U.S. Government
AP European History
AP Comparative Government & Politics
AP U.S. Government

Physical Ed. (.5 units required)**

Physical Education** (.5)
Physical Fitness (.5)
Lifetime Sports (.5)

Modern & Classical Languages

(2 units required)

Honors Greek 1, 2
Latin 1 and 2
Honors Latin 3
AP Latin 4
Mandarin Chinese 1, 2, 3
Honors Mandarin Chinese 4
Spanish 1, 2, 3, 4
Advanced Spanish 1, 2
Honors Spanish 3
Honors Spanish 4
AP Spanish 4
French 1, 2
Honors French 3
AP French 4
Honors French 5

Communication Arts

(.5 units required)

Public Speaking (.5)
Competition Speech (.5)
Competition Debate (.5)
Intro to Mass Media (.5)
Photography (.5)
Yearbook
Newspaper 1
Honors Newspaper 2
Intro to Broadcasting (.5)
Business Law (.5)
Automated Accounting (.5)
Intro to Movie Making & Editing
Advanced Filmmaking & Editing (.5)
Advanced Competition Speech & Debate I (.5)
Broadcasting II (.5)
Intro to Graphic Design (.5)

Visual & Performing Arts

(.5 unit required)

Theatre Technology (.5)
Theater Technology II (.5)
Theatre 1, 2, 3 (.5)
Music in the Humanities (.5)
Music Theory (.5)
Freshman Choir
Rockhurst Choir (.5)
Advanced Choir
Concert Choir
Percussion Fundamentals (.5)
Intro to Band Fundamentals (.5)
Jazz Lab Band
Wind Ensemble
Orchestra
Jazz Ensemble
Painting (.5)
Drawing (.5)
Advanced Drawing (.5)
Intro to Dance (.5)
Drawing and Design for Industry (.5)
Visual Arts Foundations (.5)
Hand Pottery (.5)
Advanced Hand Pottery (.5)
Wheel Pottery
Advanced Placement Studio Art

Colleges/Universities Accepting Members of the Class of 2016

** Colleges/Universities members are attending*

Arizona State University*
Auburn University
Avila University*
Baker University
Baylor University
Belmont University*
Benedictine College*
Bethany College*
Binghamton University
Boston College*
Brown University*
California Polytechnic State University
Case Western Reserve University*
Chapman University
Claremont McKenna College
Clemson University
College of Charleston
College of Charleston
Colorado School of Mines*
Colorado State University*
Columbia College, Chicago*
Concordia University, Montreal
Concordia University – Seaward
Cornell University
Cowley County Community College*
Creighton University*
Culver-Stockton College
Denison University*
DePaul University*
DePauw University
Drake University*
Drury University*
Elon University
Emory University
Emporia State University
Florida Institute of Technology
Florida State University
Fordham University*
Furman University*
Grinnell College
Hendrix College
High Point University
Indian Hills Community College, Centerville*
Indiana University, Bloomington*
Iowa State University*
Iowa Wesleyan College
John Carroll University
John Jay College of Criminal Justice of the CUNY
Johnson County Community College*
Kansas State University*
Kansas Wesleyan University
Kenyon College
Knox College
Lindenwood University
Longview Community College*
Loras College
Louisiana State University
Loyola Marymount University*
Loyola University, Chicago*
Loyola University, Maryland*
Loyola University, New Orleans
Macalester College
Marquette University*
Marymount Manhattan College*
Metropolitan Community College
Miami University, Oxford*
Mid-America Nazarene University
Missouri State University*
Missouri University of Science and Technology*
Newman University
Northeastern University
Northwest Missouri State University
Nova Southeastern University*
Oberlin College
Oberlin Conservatory of Music*
Oklahoma State University
Pace University, New York City
Pennsylvania State University*
Peru State College
Pittsburg State University*
Pomona College
Pratt Institute*
Purdue University
Quincy University*
Regis University*
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*
Rhodes College
Rice University*
Robert Morris University, Illinois
Rockhurst University*
Saint Louis University*
Salve Regina University*
San Diego State University
Santa Clara University*
School of the Art Institute of Chicago*
Southeastern Community College*
Southern Methodist University*
Spring Hill College*
St. John's College
St. Olaf College*
Stanford University*
State Fair Community College*
Texas Christian University*
The Catholic University of America
The College of Wooster
The George Washington University*
The Ohio State University
The University of Alabama*
The University of Arizona*
The University of Georgia
The University of Iowa*
The University of Texas, Austin*
Trinity College Dublin, Ireland*
Truman State University*
Tulane University
United States Air Force Academy*
United States Military Academy*
United States Naval Academy*
University of Arkansas*
University of California, Davis*
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Central, Missouri*
University of Chicago*
University of Cincinnati
University of Colorado, Boulder*
University of Connecticut
University of Dallas*
University of Dayton*
University of Denver*
University of Kansas*
University of Louisville*
University of Maine
University of Maryland, College Park
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities*
University of Mississippi
University of Missouri, Columbia*
University of Missouri, Kansas City*
University of Nebraska, Lincoln*
University of New Haven
University of North Carolina, Wilmington
University of North Texas
University of Northern Colorado
University of Northern Iowa
University of Notre Dame*
University of Oklahoma*
University of Rochester
University of San Diego*
University of South Carolina*
University of South Florida, Tampa
University of Southern California
University of St. Mary
University of St. Thomas*
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
University of the Ozarks
University of the Sciences, Philadelphia
University of Tulsa*
University of Wisconsin, Madison*
University of Wyoming*
Ursinus College
Vanderbilt University*
Villanova University
Wake Forest University
Washington University, St. Louis
Webster University
West Virginia University
Westminster College
Wichita State University*
William Jewell College*
Xavier University*
Yale University*

