



# FORT WORTH COUNTRY DAY

## College Profile for the Class of 2024

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### THE SCHOOL

Founded in 1962, Fort Worth Country Day (FWCD) is an independent, coeducational, nondenominational college-preparatory school located on approximately 100 acres in southwest Fort Worth. Named one of the "Most Liveable Communities," Fort Worth is the nation's 13th-largest city. A major center for industry, technology and transportation, Fort Worth is home to many corporations, including American Airlines, Bell Helicopter and Lockheed Martin. Fort Worth also boasts several world-renowned museums and a thriving performing arts scene.

### ACCREDITATION/MEMBERSHIPS

FWCD is accredited by the Independent Schools Association of the Southwest (ISAS). It holds membership in the Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools (ACCIS), National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS), the National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC), the Texas Association for College Admission Counseling (TACAC), The College Board, the Educational Records Bureau (ERB) and the NAIS School & Student Service for Financial Aid (SSS).

### CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS AND RECOGNITIONS

**Malone Scholars Program** - The Malone Family Foundation and FWCD share the goal of preparing gifted, talented students for success in secondary school and in college. Funded by a \$2 million endowment grant from the Malone Family Foundation, top-level students (entering grades 7-12) with demonstrated financial need may apply to become **Malone Scholars**. The scholarship covers FWCD tuition, fees and other expenses.

**The Malone Schools Online Network (MSON)** provides FWCD upper school students, and other high school students enrolled at Malone Schools, with a variety of superior courses offered in an online classroom, enhancing FWCD's existing college preparatory curriculum. MSON courses use the Stanford University Online High School (OHS) virtual seminar model, and are taught by teachers from FWCD, OHS and the 25 other Malone Schools currently participating in the network.

**Bass Scholars** - The Edward P. Bass Scholarship, a need-based scholarship at FWCD, recognizes a new Upper School student who demonstrates outstanding academic achievement and potential for leadership.

**Breakthrough Fort Worth** is a tuition-free educational opportunity in which talented high school and college students teach promising middle school students from the Fort Worth Independent School District. **The Reilly Family Foundation/Breakthrough Fort Worth Scholarship** is a four- or five-year merit/need-based scholarship presented to Breakthrough Fort Worth students entering Grade 8 or 9. **Reilly Scholars** are academically talented students who demonstrate financial need.

**Capstone** is an interdisciplinary, summary exercise consisting of four components: exploration, research, a final project, and presentation. The purpose of the Capstone is to foster intellectual curiosity, educational purpose and engagement as students conclude their Upper School experience at FWCD. The Capstone program provides time, structure, and resources to develop a student's passion examining questions beyond the constraints of traditional classes and academic disciplines. At its conclusion, students, share their work with the school community and articulate their growth.

**Cum Laude Society** - FWCD carefully selects no more than 10 percent of the junior class and an additional 10 percent of the senior class into the national organization that recognizes excellence, justice and honor. Only 13 other high schools in the state of Texas have Cum Laude chapters.

### ENROLLMENT

FWCD enrolls 1,097 students in Junior Kindergarten through Grade 12. Upper School (9-12) enrollment is 366. **The Class of 2024 has 87 members.**

### ACADEMIC PROGRAM

The Upper School curriculum is listed on the Curriculum Offerings chart and available online at [fwcd.org](http://fwcd.org).

Average Classroom - 12 students

Upper School Faculty - 40

Student-to-Faculty Ratio - 10:1

Classes meet for 75 minutes four times each during a 7-day cycle; 5 cycles per quarter; 17 weeks per semester.

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

<b>English</b>	4 years
<b>Math</b>	4 years
<b>French or Latin or Spanish</b>	3 years
<b>History</b>	3 years
<b>Lab Science</b>	3 years
<b>Arts Appreciation</b>	1 semester
<b>Fine Arts/Other Electives</b>	2 years
<b>Athletics/Physical Education</b>	6 seasons of participation (Grades 9-11)
<b>Community Service</b>	30 hours for members of the Class of 2024

All FWCD students must carry five academic courses each semester.

Accelerated, Honors, Advanced Placement and MSON designations are noted on the transcript where applicable.

### STANDARDIZED TESTING

	<b>Class of 2023</b>	<b>Class of 2024</b> (As of June 2023)
<b>ACT</b>	53 testers	51 testers
Middle 50%	24-32	26-31
<b>SAT</b>	64 testers	67 testers
Middle 50%	1168-1380	1210-1400
Evidence-Based		
Reading & Writing	600-730	620-710
Math	558-680	570-700

### NATIONAL MERIT/RECOGNITION PROGRAMS

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>Class Size</b>	93	93	87
National Merit Semifinalists	3	6	1
National Merit Commended Students	9	4	7
College Board National Recognition Awards	17	13	9

**GRADING SYSTEM**

- 90-100 = Excellent
- 80-89 = Very good
- 70-79 = Competent
- 60-69 = Weak
- 40-59 = Failing

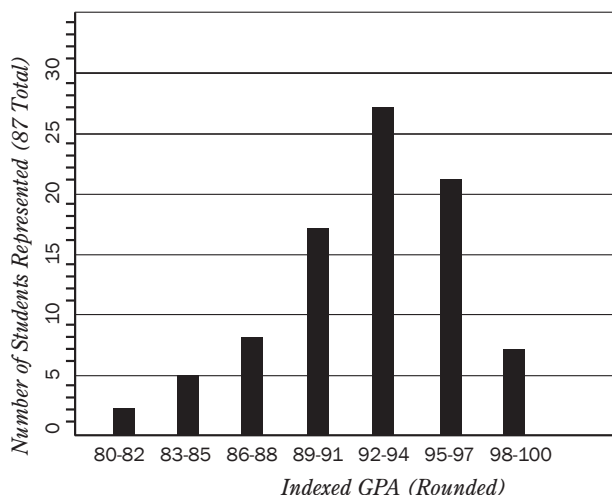
Honors, Advanced Placement, and MSON courses have three points added to the course grade. Those three points are included in the grades reported on the transcript.

When calculating GPA all courses, except Link Crew, are given full value. Link Crew receives half value. A GPA for each year is calculated and included on the transcript.

Additionally, the transcript shows an Indexed GPA. FWCD's Indexed GPA takes into account the rigor of the School's academic program, and reflects the difference in point value between the highest student GPA in the class and 100. *The highest cumulative GPA in the Class of 2024 is 98.87, so the Indexed GPA is calculated by adding 1.13 to each student's cumulative GPA.*

Because FWCD grades and GPA do not exceed 100, it is mathematically impossible for a GPA converted to a 4.0 scale to exceed 4.0.

**GPA DISTRIBUTION FOR THE CLASS OF 2024**



**COLLEGE MATRICULATION 2020-23**

Historically, 100 percent of FWCD graduates are admitted to four-year colleges or universities. Forty-four percent of the members of the Class of 2023 attended schools in the state of Texas, while 56 percent went out of state. The classes of 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 matriculated at the colleges and universities listed below. Numbers in parentheses indicate schools where more than one student enrolled.

- American University
- Angelo State University
- Arizona State University
- Auburn University (3)
- Austin Community College (4)
- Baylor University (5)
- Belmont University (2)
- Berklee College of Music
- Blinn College (5)
- Boston College
- California Polytechnic State University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Case Western Reserve University
- Clemson University (3)
- Colby College
- College of Charleston
- Colorado School of Mines (5)
- Cornell University (2)
- Creighton University
- Dartmouth College
- Duke University (2)
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- Fordham University
- George Washington University (2)
- Harvard University (3)
- Haverford College
- Howard University
- Indiana University Bloomington (2)
- Kenyon College
- Lewis & Clark College

- Louisiana State University (2)
- Loyola Marymount University
- Loyola University Chicago
- Loyola University Maryland
- Marymount Manhattan College
- Middle Tennessee State University
- Mississippi State University
- New York University
- Northeastern University
- Northwestern University (2)
- Occidental College
- Oglethorpe University
- Oklahoma State University (6)
- Olin College of Engineering
- Otterbein University
- Pace University (2)
- Pepperdine University
- Providence College
- Purdue University (3)
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Rice University
- Rutgers University
- Saint Edward's University
- Santa Clara University
- Savannah College of Art and Design (2)
- Sewanee: The University of the South (3)
- Southern Methodist University (11)
- Southwestern University (4)
- Stanford University (2)

- Tarleton State University
- Temple University
- Texas A&M University (40)
- Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi
- Texas A&M University at Galveston (2)
- Texas Christian University (34)
- Texas Tech University (5)
- Trinity University (6)
- Tufts University
- Tulane University (8)
- United States Air Force Academy
- University of Alabama (2)
- University of Arizona (2)
- University of Arkansas (6)
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Los Angeles (2)
- University of California, San Diego
- University of Chicago (3)
- University of Colorado Boulder (5)
- University of Denver
- University of Georgia (6)
- University of Houston
- University of Kentucky
- University of Miami (2)
- University of Michigan (2)
- University of Mississippi (4)
- University of New Hampshire
- University of New Mexico
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

- University of North Texas (5)
- University of Oklahoma (33)
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of South Carolina (13)
- University of Southern California
- University of Tennessee, Knoxville (4)
- University of Texas at Arlington (7)
- University of Texas at Austin (29)
- University of Tulsa
- University of Utah (2)
- University of Virginia (4)
- University of Vermont
- University of Washington
- Vanderbilt University (2)
- Virginia Tech
- Wake Forest University (2)
- Washington and Lee University (5)
- Washington University in St. Louis
- Yale University (3)

**INTERNATIONAL**

- University of St Andrews (SCOTLAND)
- York University (CANADA)

**STATEMENT ON CLASS RANK**

FWCD, like many independent schools of comparable caliber, **does not rank its students**. Since admission is highly selective and the tested aptitudes are well above the national average, rank in class cannot be regarded as a valid indication of preparation for college.

**POLICY ON DISCIPLINE**

Students and college counselors will work together to address questions about serious disciplinary infractions. Suspensions are reported when requested on college applications.

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES**

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| Art History                         | Latin   |
| Biology                             | Macroeconomics (semester)                       |
| Calculus AB                         | Music Theory                                    |
| Calculus BC                         | Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism, Mechanics |
| Chemistry                           | Psychology (semester)                           |
| Comparative Government and Politics | Spanish Language                                |
| Computer Science A                  | Spanish Literature                              |
| English Language                    | Statistics                                      |
| English Literature                  | Studio Art (Drawing, 2-D, 3-D)                  |
| Environmental Science               | U.S. History                                    |
| French Language and Culture         |   |

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCORES**

**FOR THE CLASS OF 2024** (As of July 2023)

- Number of students taking AP Exams – 78
- Total AP Exams taken – 183
- Percentage scoring 3 or higher – 88
- Number of students recognized as AP Scholars (24), AP Scholars with Honor (2) and AP Scholars with Distinction (3)

- The AP Exam is required for all juniors in an AP course.
- **All FWCD seniors take the AP English Language course and the corresponding AP Exam. AP Exams also are required for seniors taking AP math courses and AP Studio Art.**

# Fort Worth Country Day – Curriculum Offerings (2024)

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SUBJECT	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
<b>English</b>	English 9	English 10	AP English Literature English 11 Imaginative Writing (semester)	AP English Language Imaginative Writing (semester) Topics in English (semester)
<b>Mathematics</b> <i>Note: Students who are new to FWCD in Upper School may follow a path that is ahead or behind the indicated grade level</i>	Geometry Honors Geometry Algebra I	Algebra II Honors Algebra II Accelerated Algebra II Part 1	Analysis Honors Precalculus Accelerated Algebra II Part 2 AP Statistics	Multivariable Calculus* AP Calculus BC AP Calculus AB Precalculus AP Statistics Introduction to Calculus (semester) Introduction to Statistics (semester) Topics in Mathematics (semester)
<b>Science</b>	Biology I	Chemistry I Honors Chemistry I	Physics I Honors Physics I AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science Topics in Science (semester)	AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science AP Physics C Engineering Design Anatomy & Physiology (semester) Design Lab (semester) Organic Chemistry (semester)
<b>History</b>	World History	American Government & Civics	AP United States History United States History AP Macroeconomics (semester) History of World Religions (semester) Microeconomics (semester) Topics in History (semester) Film Studies (semester)	AP Comparative Government & Politics AP Macroeconomics (semester) AP Psychology Film Studies (semester) History of World Religions (semester) Microeconomics (semester) Philosophy (semester) Topics in History (semester)
<b>Modern &amp; Classical Languages</b> <i>Note: Students who are new to FWCD in Upper School may start at the I level in 9th grade, thus following this path one year behind the indicated grade level</i>	French II Honors French II Latin II Honors Latin II Spanish II Honors Spanish II	French III Honors French III Latin III Honors Latin III Spanish III Honors Spanish III	AP French Language French IV Advanced Latin Literature Latin IV AP Spanish Language Spanish IV Topics in Modern & Classical Languages (semester)	Business French* French V AP Latin Advanced Latin Literature AP Spanish Literature Spanish V
<b>Computer Science</b>	Computer Science Principles	Art and Code	AP Computer Science	Data Structures* AP Computer Science
<b>Arts Appreciation</b>			Art History (semester) Music History (semester)	AP Art History AP Music Theory Art History (semester) Music History (semester)
<b>Visual Arts</b>	Art Fundamentals Ceramics I Painting and Drawing I Photography I	Ceramics II Painting and Drawing II Photography II	Ceramics III Painting and Drawing III Photography III	AP Studio Art Ceramics IV Painting and Drawing IV Photography IV
<b>Performing Arts</b>	<i>9th grade: Theatre Arts; 10th grade: Acting I; 11th and 12th grade: Advanced Acting; Any year: Musical Theatre, Band, Chorus, Orchestra, Technical Theatre</i>			
<b>Other Electives</b>	<i>11th and 12th grade: Link Crew; Any year: Journalism, Yearbook, Speech (semester)</i>			
<b>MSON</b>	<i>11th and 12th grade: Please see the Profile for information about Malone Schools Online Network courses</i>			* = post-AP course
<b>Capstone</b>	<i>12th Grade: Please see the Profile for information about Capstone</i>			