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THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

University Preparatory Academy is a charter school accredited by WASC and authorized by the Santa Clara County Board of Education located in the suburb of San Jose.

We seek to enroll any student who is motivated and has a dream of going to a 4-year university and graduating with a 4-year degree. We are especially interested in working with students who may be under supported, overlooked, or under challenged in a large school environment, and would thrive in a highly intensive, supportive, and interpersonal environment.

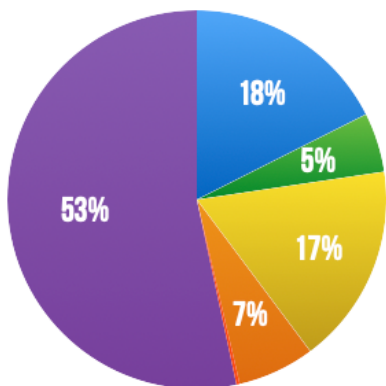
UPA's overall vision is to empower the school community through powerful teaching and learning and to provide the students with the core academic and life learning skills to enable them to be positive, successful contributors to the community.

MISSION STATEMENT

University Preparatory Academy strives to prepare a diverse population of 7-12th grade students in the central San Jose area and surrounding neighborhoods to enter and excel in the best colleges and universities in the nation with the training to assume leadership positions in their community.

ENROLLMENT - 732

ENROLLMENT BY ETHNICITY



LATINO
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER
NATIVE AMERICAN
AFRICAN AMERICAN
WHITE
2 OR MORE RACES

STATISTICAL PROFILE

Class of 2026 Students	104	SAT English RW	624
Low SES* (School-wide)	27%	SAT Math	654
Percentage College Bound	99%		
Percentage that qualifies for free or reduced lunch			34.1%

CO-CURRICULAR AND

EXTRA-CURRICULAR HIGHLIGHTS

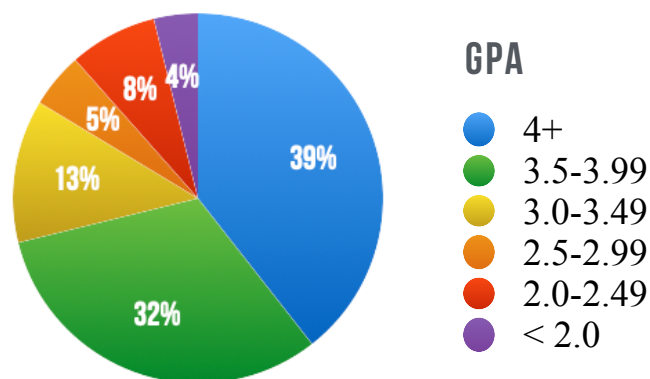
- More than 60 active student clubs focused on hobbies, cultures, humanitarianism and academics
- Expanding ASB leadership program
- 16 athletic programs offered
- Improv team and other visual and performing arts showcases
- WEB/Link Crew
- CJSF and CSF
- College Field Trip Day
- Junior Southern California College Trip
- Numerous field trip opportunities for experiential learning
- Award-winning journalism program
- Alumni network

LOTTERY BASED ENROLLMENT

Enrollment is based off a lottery each year with priority enrollment (up to 25%) to students of Low SES families.

GRADE DISTRIBUTION CHART

FOR CLASS OF 2026 AS OF SEPTEMBER 2025



GPA

- 4+
- 3.5-3.99
- 3.0-3.49
- 2.5-2.99
- 2.0-2.49
- < 2.0

GRADING SYSTEM

A	Excellent	90-100	4.0
B	Above	80-89	3.0
C	Average	70-79	2.0

- Grades and credits are calculated and posted at the end of each semester. Each semester for academic A-G classes are worth 5 credits, most being year long courses with 10 credits.
- Graduation credit earned only for grades 70% and above
- GPA is determined by using a 4.0 system with one bonus point given for AP courses

University Preparatory Academy is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

COURSE OFFERINGS

15 Advanced Placement Classes

AP 2-D Art and Design AP Biology AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Chemistry AP Computer Science AP English Language AP English Literature	AP Government AP Physics AP Psychology AP Spanish Language AP Spanish Literature AP United States History AP World History
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5 Project Lead the Way Classes

Principles of Biomedical Sciences
 Human Body Systems
 Medical Interventions
 Introduction to Engineering Design
 Principles of Engineering

GRADUATION COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Subject	Required	Credits
English	4 years	40
Social Studies	3 years	30
Mathematics	3 years	30
Lab Sciences	3 years	30
World Language	3 years or level 3	30
Visual & Performing Arts	2 years	20
College Preparatory Electives	2 years	20
Physical Education	1 year or waiver	10
General Electives	-	40
Other Requirements	2 AP Courses Minimum 250 credits	
UPA graduation meet UC/CSU requirements		

CLASS OF 2026 AP INFO

Percentage of graduating students who take 2 or more AP courses	100%
Percentage of students who take 3 or more AP courses	95%
Overall School AP Pass rate	79%

COLLEGE BOUND

Graduates Enrolled in a 4 Year College/University	77%
Graduates Enrolled in a Community College	18%
% of Students Attending College After Graduation	96%

COLLEGE MATRICULATION 2023-2025

Arizona State University
 Biola University
 Binghamton University
 Cal Poly Humboldt
 Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
 California Institute of Technology
 California State University, Bakersfield
 California State University, Channel Islands
 California State University, Chico
 California State University, East Bay
 California State University, Fullerton
 California State University, Long Beach
 California State University, Los Angeles
 California State University, Monterey Bay
 California State University, Sacramento
 Carnegie Mellon University
 Chapman University
 Clark Atlanta University
 Colorado College
 Cornell University
 De Anza College
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
 Evergreen Valley College
 Gavilan College

Georgia Tech
 Grand Canyon University
 Harvey Mudd College
 Indiana University, Bloomington
 Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
 Mission College
 New Jersey Institute of Technology
 New York University
 Northeastern University
 Pasadena City College
 Portland Community College
 Rutgers University
 Saint Louis University
 San Diego State University
 San Francisco State University
 San Joaquin Delta College
 San Jose City College
 San Jose State University
 Santa Clara University
 Seattle University
 Sonoma State University
 St. John's University
 The New School – Parsons School of Design

UC Berkeley
 UC Davis
 UC Irvine
 UC Merced
 UC Riverside
 UC San Diego
 UC Santa Barbara
 UC Santa Cruz
 UCLA
 Union College
 United States Air Force Academy Preparatory School
 University of Arizona
 University of Hawaii at Manoa
 University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
 University of Oregon
 University of Ottawa
 University of Portland
 University of San Francisco
 University of Southern California
 University of Texas at Austin
 University of the Pacific
 West Valley College
 Westmont College