



COLLEGE & ACADEMIC COUNSELING



THE KING'S ACADEMY
CHRIST-CENTERED COLLEGE PREPARATORY
Junior and Senior High School • Grades 6-12

GRADUATING STUDENTS WITH A SENSE OF PURPOSE

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The King's Academy places a high value on counseling our students through the academic and college planning process. The College and Academic Planning program begins in the freshman year and emphasizes a sound foundation for academic and extracurricular choices. During second semester of the junior year, each student is assigned a personal college counselor who remains with the student through graduation.

Our comprehensive program includes informational presentations to parents at each grade level, individualized counseling, and state-of-the-art tools for our students and families to navigate the college admissions process successfully.

Students become aware of their talents and strengths, enabling them to use their God-given gifts to pursue their life's calling with confidence and maturity. In the end, students feel confident selecting the college or university that best matches their personal, career, and life goals.

RESOURCES

The TKA College and Academic Counseling webpage has a wealth of up-to-date information at www.tka.org/cacc.

- Career planning assessments and tools
- College application student guides for UC, CSU, private schools, Common Application schools, and community colleges
- Extensive website resources including entrance exam preparation, college links, essay writing, financial aid, scholarships, study abroad, and summer programs

- Presentations archived online
- College planning and college search
- *Camp College*, an optional summer workshop to prepare incoming seniors for their college applications and essays

STUDENT SERVICES

9th Grade

- Workshops for college and academic planning with students and parents
- Assistance in creating a four-year action plan
- Course selection to meet graduation and college admission requirements
- Advice on appropriate Honors or Advanced Placement (AP) courses
- Guidance in selecting extracurricular activities

10th Grade

- Assigned an academic counselor
- One-on-one meetings with student and parents to discuss college and academic planning, SAT/ACT testing, and four-year plan
- Assistance with career exploration and self-assessment
- PSAT testing and score interpretation
- Planning for coursework and timing of SAT subject tests

11th Grade

- First semester, the student continues to meet with an academic counselor for any academic concerns.
- In preparation for college planning meetings, college counselors will assign *College Match*, resume assignment, *Do What You Are*® personality profile, student response form, and parent response form in late fall.



- College counselor assignments for each junior are announced in January.
- Assistance with career exploration and self-assessment
- PSAT testing and score interpretation
- SAT prep courses available on TKA campus at reduced rates
- Planning for coursework and timing of SAT subject tests
- *College Match* workbook for self assessment
- *Naviance Family Connection*™ software package introduced to each student to assist with the college search, application, and admissions process
- *Do What You Are*®, the Myers-Briggs based personality test, and *StrengthsExplorer*® available to each student via *Family Connection*™
- Individual meetings for college admissions planning with counselor and parents

12th Grade

- The student continues with their assigned College Counselor through graduation (and sometimes beyond).
- *Naviance Family Connection*™ software package is continued with each student to assist with the college search, application, and admissions process.
- Individual college search and application counseling
- College application and essay writing workshops
- Campus visits by college admissions counselors
- Highly-personalized recommendation letter for college admissions

COLLEGE VISITS

In the fall, The King's Academy hosts over 60 representative visits from colleges and universities around the country. In addition, TKA hosts the Christian College Fair each fall with representatives from 20-25 colleges in attendance and a regional college fair in the spring with colleges from all over the U.S.

COLLEGES ATTENDED

Our students have eclectic tastes and diverse interests. The King's Academy has the resources, programs, and staff to equip students for admission to top-tier colleges and universities. Please refer to The King's Academy school profile for a list of schools in which TKA students have enrolled. You can find the profile at www.tka.org/profile.

TEST PREPARATION

- PSAT Testing 9th, 10th, & 11th grades
- ACT/SAT Diagnostic Testing

PARENT PROGRAMS

- "Parent College Night" presentations tailored for each year in grades 8-12
- Financial Aid Seminar
- PSAT Results Night
- College Guest Speaker Series

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“ Showing the generation to come
the praises of the Lord... ”
Psalms 78:4



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