



# THE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL

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## SCHOOL HISTORY:

The Independent School (TIS) is an independent co-educational PK-12 college preparatory school, founded in 1980 by Mrs. Jean Garvey to provide high curricular expectations and to encourage well rounded, creative individuals.

Our mission is to provide a superior independent college preparatory education for a diverse student population in a safe and supportive community conducive to the intellectual, emotional, and physical growth of each independent student.

The Independent School currently enrolls approximately 550 students, pre-kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Students come from a wide variety of racial, ethnic, economic, and religious backgrounds. TIS currently enrolls 212 students in the Upper School with **44 seniors in the Class of 2012.**

## CITY:

Wichita is located along the Arkansas River in south central Kansas, two and a half hours north of Oklahoma City and two hours southwest of Topeka. With a population around 360,000, Wichita is the 51st largest city in the country and Kansas' most populous city. Five major aircraft manufacturers, including Boeing, Bombardier, and Cessna call Wichita 'home' making it the "Air Capital of the World."

## ADMISSION, TUITION, AND FINANCIAL AID:

Students are admitted to TIS by application. Tuition is \$9,900 for grades 9 – 12. 22% of students receive financial aid.

## GRADING SCALE:

Beginning in the fall of 2011, TIS adopted a new, more traditional grading scale. We have not converted grades earned previously to the new scale, but have kept them within the context in which they were given. All new grades assigned will be under the new scale.

## New Scale:

<b>A+</b> 97-100	<b>B+</b> 87-89	<b>C+</b> 77-79	<b>D+</b> 67-69
<b>A</b> 93-96	<b>B</b> 83-86	<b>C</b> 73-76	<b>D</b> 63-66
<b>A-</b> 90-92	<b>B-</b> 80-82	<b>C-</b> 70-72	<b>D-</b> 60-62

## Old scale:

<b>A+</b> 98-100	<b>B+</b> 91-92	<b>C+</b> 83-85	<b>D</b> 70-74
<b>A</b> 95-97	<b>B</b> 88-90	<b>C</b> 79-82	<b>F</b> 0-69
<b>A-</b> 93-94	<b>B-</b> 86-87	<b>C-</b> 75-78	

Official weighted GPAs for the Class of 2012 will be calculated using 3 years of the old scale and 1 year of the new scale. A "retroactive" GPA has been listed on the transcript to show what a student's GPA would have been had they earned those percentages under the new scale. Both grading scales are listed on the transcript.

## REQUIREMENTS:

Twenty-five credits are required for graduation, along with *fifty hours of community service*. Credits below are minimum requirements\* by subject area:

Language Arts, 5	Mathematics, 3.5
Sciences, 3	Social Sciences, 3
Foreign Languages, 2	Fine Arts, 1
Physical Education, 1.5	Technology, 1

**\*TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS MAY DIFFER**

## HONORS AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT:

All Honors and Advanced Placement (AP) courses are designated on the student's transcript. Because of their rigor, Honors and AP courses receive a weighting of .5 upon completion.

TIS offers 11 AP courses:

AP Biology	AP Psychology*
AP Calculus BC	AP Spanish*
AP Chemistry	AP Statistics
AP English Language	AP U.S. Government
AP English Literature	AP U.S. History
AP Physics C	

**\*NEW IN FALL 2010**

In the 2010-2011 school year, 153 AP tests were administered: 5s – **31**, 4s – **36**, 3s – **52**.

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## RANK:

Due to the rigor and size of the classes, TIS **does not rank** its students. There are 44 seniors in the Class of 2012.

Class of 2012 GPAs at the end of Junior Year:

Decile	GPA
1st	4.13-4.23
2nd	4.02-4.12
3rd	3.94-4.01
4th	3.78-3.93
5th	3.64-3.77
6th	3.58-3.63
7th	3.25-3.57
8th	2.97-3.24
9th	2.85-2.96
10th	2.20-2.84

## TESTING:

Please refer to the chart below for average ACT results for the Class of 2012 at the end of junior year, compared with average State and National testing for the college-bound Senior Classes of 2010 and 2011.

	E	M	R	S	Comp
TIS '12	25.3	25.9	25.0	24.1	25.2
State of KS	21.4	21.7	22.3	21.9	22.0
Nation	20.5	21.0	21.3	20.9	21.0
TIS '11	25.3	26.6	25.2	25.0	25.5
TIS '10	25.7	25.6	25.0	24.1	25.0

There was **one** National Merit Finalist and **one** National Achievement Finalist in the Class of 2011. The Class completed 231 applications for admission to college. Of the 231 applications, 171 were admitted, 18 were waitlisted, and 40 were denied. **98%** of the Class of 2011 attends four-year institutions, and **2%** attend two-year institutions.

## Class of 2011 Offers of Admission

Arcadia University  
 Arizona State University  
**Auburn University (2)**  
 Azusa Pacific University  
 Baker University (2)  
 Baylor University  
 Biola University  
 Boston College (2)  
**Boston University**  
**Brown University**  
 Bucknell University (3)  
**Butler County Community College**  
 Case Western Reserve University (2)  
**Coe College**  
 College of Charleston  
 Colorado School of Mines (2)  
 Cornell College  
 Cornell University  
 Creighton University (5)  
 Davidson College  
**Denison University**  
**DePaul University**  
 Drake University  
 Florida International University  
 Georgia Institute of Technology  
**Gettysburg College**  
**Kansas State University (4) (13)**  
 Lenoir-Rhyne University  
 Lewis & Clark College  
 Mills College (2)

Missouri University of Science & Technology (2)  
**Mount Holyoke College (2)**  
 Northwestern University  
 Occidental College  
 Ohio State University  
 Oklahoma Baptist University  
**Oklahoma State University (5) (6)**  
 Pennsylvania State University  
 Pittsburg State University  
 Purdue University  
 Regis University  
 Rockhurst University (2)  
 Southern Methodist University  
**Southwestern College**  
**Stanford University**  
 Suffolk University, Madrid  
 Trinity College  
**Trinity University (4)**  
 Truman State University  
**University of California, Berkeley**  
 University of California, Irvine  
 University of California, San Diego  
 University of California, Santa Barbara  
**University of California, Santa Cruz**  
 University of Chicago  
 University of Cincinnati  
 University of Colorado  
 University of Connecticut  
**University of Denver (2)**  
**University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (2)**

**University of Kansas (17) (32)**  
 University of Maryland  
 University of Michigan  
 University of Nebraska  
**University of North Carolina, Charlotte**  
 University of Oklahoma (2)  
 University of Pennsylvania  
 University of Portland  
 University of Redlands  
 University of San Francisco (3)  
 University of Texas (2)  
**University of Texas, Arlington**  
**University of Tulsa (2) (5)**  
 Wake Forest University  
 Washington University in St. Louis  
 Western Carolina University  
**Wichita State University (6) (13)**  
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