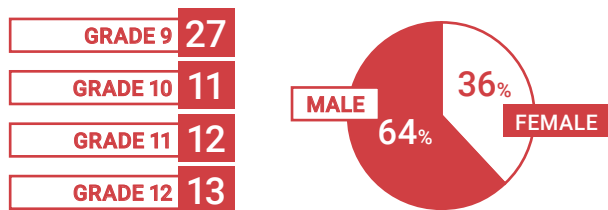


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*At BASIS Independent Schools, our mission is to educate students to the highest international levels with a spiraling liberal arts and sciences curriculum benchmarked to the best education systems in the world.*

BASIS Independent Manhattan is a PK-12 independent school founded in 2017 that forms part of a larger network of independent schools across the US and internationally. The Manhattan campus has grown into two campuses - the lower school in the Upper West Side of Manhattan and the Upper School located in the Chelsea neighborhood. The Upper School currently has 179 students from grades 6 through 12. Our first graduating class will be the Class of 2024.

## 2023–24 ENROLLMENT FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 9–12



## STANDARDIZED TESTING SNAPSHOT: CLASS OF 2024

### SAT SCORES

SECTION	AVERAGE	MEDIAN	RANGE
Evidence-Based Reading and Writing	687	690	630-790
Math	736	760	660-800
TOTAL	1423	1510	1320-1590

### ACT SCORES

AVERAGE	33	MEDIAN	34
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## ELECTIVE OFFERINGS

Each year students are required to take an elective. Our most popular electives include:

AP Computer Science A	Introduction to Engineering Band
AP Computer Science Principles	Introduction to Computer Science
AP Microeconomics / AP Macroeconomics	Drama
AP Psychology	Intro to Art Studio 2D
AP Environmental Science	Intro to Photography
AP 2D Art and Design	Introduction to Business
AP Seminar	PE & Sports
AP Statistics	Topics in Economics

## GRADING POLICY AND GPA CALCULATIONS

Transcripts provide both an unweighted and weighted GPA, and AP® Exam results are incorporated into final grades for AP courses. The unweighted GPA is based on a 4.0 scale, the weighted GPA is computed on a 5.0 scale by adding one point to all Honors and AP courses. We do not rank our students.

### UNWEIGHTED GPA



### WEIGHTED GPA



## MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY

SUBJECT	CREDITS	CLASSES
Mathematics	5	Minimum Level of AP Calculus AB
Electives	3	Minimum Requirement of an elective course in PE, Fine Art, AP Level Science
English	4	2 Honors Level: Literature and Language, 2 AP Level or 1 AP Level + Honors Level 10
Science	4	3 Honors Level Courses and Minimum of 1 AP Level Course
History	3	Minimum 3 AP Level Courses
World Language	3	Chinese, French, Latin, or Spanish
Economics	0.5	Minimum Requirement

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Students are prepared to take AP courses and AP Exams as early as grade 8, and typically take more than the required 6 AP Exams. The externally generated and graded AP Exams also count as final exams for AP courses.

BASIS Independent Manhattan REQUIRES AP coursework – 4 AP courses and exams–of all students.

- In the 2022–2023 school year, **49** students took **113** AP examinations across **14** AP subject areas
- In total they achieved an average score of **3.8**, with an overall pass rate of **89%**

## CURRICULAR PATHWAY TO GRADUATION

The BASIS Curriculum is built upon two main premises: that students should be held accountable for mastering advanced content across all core subjects; and that students should effectively use executive functioning skills such as time management, organization, and advanced research and presentation skills to “own” their academic outcomes.

To ensure that students have mastered advanced content, we begin rigorous coursework in the middle grades, including such required courses as Biology, Physics, and Chemistry in each middle year, Economics, Latin and a World Language of students’ choice, and Algebra I, II, and Geometry. All students must pass high-stakes cumulative exams in each subject in order to be promoted to the next grade. Thus, by the time they are in grade 9, they have accumulated 3.5 credits required for graduation (in math and Econ) and are prepared for AP courses far earlier than their peers. All our students are required to take at least 6 AP courses throughout high school (with a minimum of one each in Math, English, History, and Lab Science); we do not have an “Honors track,” and there is no option not to take AP courses in all subjects. Final exams are the AP Exams, which are factored into students’ grades using a conversion table, and students must pass at least one AP Exam in order to graduate. Students typically finish these AP requirements in their sophomore and junior years, after which they may take Post-AP courses with such titles as Multivariable Calculus, Organic Chemistry, Postcolonial Literature, and Machine Learning. These courses replace the breadth of AP courses with depth and are equivalent to 200 or 300 level courses at university.

The final required course in the BASIS Curriculum, and the only one scheduled in grade 12, is College Counseling, in which students work to determine the programs and schools that are the best fits for their intellectual passions and the strengths they have diligently honed over the past seven years.

Upper School Courses Currently Offered:

AP U.S. Government and Politics	Honors English Language
AP U.S. History	Honors English Literature
AP English Language	Honors English 10
AP Physics 1	Honors Biology
AP Biology	Honors Chemistry
AP Chemistry	Honors Physics
AP World History: Modern	College Counseling
AP English Literature	Health

## CAPSTONE COURSES

Capstones are a privilege that seniors may only take if they have met specific requirements. They are two trimesters long and have AP courses as prerequisites; seniors take one Capstone each in Humanities and Math and then must take two additional courses in Lab Sciences, Math, Humanities, or World Language. Students may take AP Research in lieu of Capstone Humanities to fulfill these same goals if they have previously passed AP Seminar. These courses provide the opportunity for students to conduct original research, synthesize information, develop skills in critical evaluation and evidence-based writing, and embark on an intensive project requiring college-level motivation. Although Capstones may be focused on a specific theme that reflects the research interests of the instructor, they include assignments that foster intellectual independence in the student and thus propel students into Senior Projects.

Current Capstones Include:

Hitler and Nazi Germany	Chinese Literature and Culture
Rupture: Psychology and Literature	Industrial Chemistry
Linear Algebra	Quantum Physics
Multivariable Calculus	Roman Drama
Arte Contemporaneo	

## SENIOR PROJECTS

Seniors finish their Capstone courses by the second trimester, and many then opt into a three-month, off-site, independent project that is proposed and constructed by students under the guidance of an internal faculty advisor, as well as an external professional specialist in the field of the student’s choosing. Senior Projects illustrate each senior’s ability to apply their classroom-based education to experimental research and professional learning. Irrespective of the student’s research location—in a business, art studio, laboratory, charitable organization, or law office—each project goes beyond job shadowing and requires the student to develop and answer a research question, produce a weekly blog, and make public presentations of their findings at the end of the year.

Students who have taken AP Research also produce blogs and make presentations. Academic rigor and student accountability come together in Senior Projects and AP Research Projects—we don’t just want our seniors to be admitted to top universities; we want their experiences at BASIS Independent Schools to equip them to thrive throughout their college experience and to maintain the confidence, resourcefulness, and networking abilities they will need for their post-graduate lives.

## ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Beyond academics, our students seek additional opportunities through a variety of enrichment clubs, teams, and societies. We do not set enrichment or volunteerism requirements for our students, and many extracurricular activities are established and led by students.

BASIS Independent Manhattan offers many clubs, societies, and sports programs such as:

Robotics Club	Podcasting Club
Audio Engineering Club	Chess Club
Math Club	Soccer Club
Model United Nations	Volleyball Club
Speech & Debate	Fashion & Design Club
Drama Club	Student Council
Basketball Club	Yearbook
Running Club	Table Tennis

## COVID-19 UPDATE

In March of 2020, BASIS Independent students transitioned into an entirely online learning environment. All students continued to be assessed and our school continued on the A-F grading scale for the remainder of the year. BASIS Independent Manhattan started an in-person hybrid in the fall of 2020. All students returned to full-time in-person learning in the spring of 2021.

## DISCIPLINARY DISCLOSURE

The school reports student disciplinary violations, which resulted in an out-of-school suspension or expulsion when requested during the admissions process. Our students are expected to respond honestly about disciplinary violations prior to their senior year when completing a college application and in the event the violation occurs after submitting the application or enrollment deposit.

## BASIS INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

American University	Cornell University
Amherst College	Dartmouth College
Arizona State University	Denison University
Barnard College	Drexel University
Babson College	Duke University
Baylor University	Emory University
Bentley University	Florida Institute of Technology
Berklee College of Music	Florida State University
Boston College	Fordham University
Boston University	George Washington University
Bowdoin College	Georgetown University
Brandeis University	Georgia Institute of Technology
Brown University	Hamilton College
California Institute of Technology	Harvard University
California Lutheran University	Harvey Mudd College
California Northstate University	Haverford College
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	Hofstra University
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona	Illinois Institute of Technology
California State University, Bakersfield	Imperial College London
California State University, Fresno	Indiana University at Bloomington
Carnegie Mellon University	Iowa State University
Case Western Reserve University	Johns Hopkins University
City University of London	King's College London
Clemson University	Louisiana State University
Colby College	Loyola University Chicago
Colorado School of Mines	Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Columbia University	McGill University

## BASIS INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES CONTINUED

Marquette University
Miami University, Oxford
National University of Singapore
New Jersey Institute of Technology
New York University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
Oregon State University
Pace University
Pennsylvania State University
Pepperdine University
Pomona College
Pratt Institute
Princeton University
Purdue University
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rice University
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Rutgers University-New Brunswick
Saint Louis University
San Diego State University
San Francisco State University
San Jose State University
Santa Clara University
Sarah Lawrence College
Scripps College
Seton Hall University
Stanford University
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stony Brook University
SUNY at Albany
SUNY Buffalo State College
Swarthmore College
Syracuse University
Temple University
The London School of Economics and Political Science
The Ohio State University
The University of Arizona
The University of Edinburgh
The University of Manchester
The University of Texas, Arlington
The University of Texas, Austin
The University of Texas, Dallas
Tufts University

Tulane University
University College London
University of Bath
University of British Columbia
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Merced
University of California, Riverside
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Cambridge
University of Chicago
University of Colorado at Boulder
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Denver
University of Edinburgh
University of Florida
University of Glasgow
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Maryland (College Park)
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
University of New Mexico
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of Oxford
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
University of Rochester
University of San Francisco
University of Southern California
University of Virginia
University of Wisconsin (Madison)
Vanderbilt University
Wake Forest University
Washington University in St. Louis
Wellesley College
Wesleyan College
Williams College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Yale University