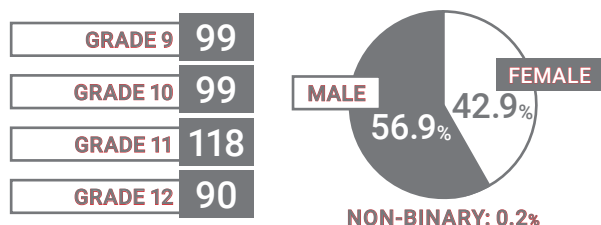


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At BASIS Independent Schools, our mission is to educate students to the highest international levels with a spiraling liberal arts and sciences curriculum benchmarked to the best education systems in the world.

Founded in 2014, BASIS Independent Silicon Valley is a co-ed grades 6–12 liberal arts private school with advanced STEM offerings. We currently have 406 students in high school and 818 total students. Our first graduating class was in spring of 2016. Our campus is located near downtown San Jose and is surrounded by the nation's thriving tech industry.

2024–25 ENROLLMENT FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 9–12



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 5.0 scale by adding one point to all Honors, AP and above courses.

2024 UNWEIGHTED GPA



3.863
AVERAGE
OUT OF 4.0

2024 WEIGHTED GPA



4.681
AVERAGE
OUT OF 5.0

2024 STANDARDIZED TESTING DATA

SAT SCORES

SECTION	AVERAGE	MEDIAN	RANGE
Evidence-Based Reading and Writing	745.7	760	640–800
Math	774.6	790	670–800
Overall	1513.1	1520	1330–1600

ACT SCORES

AVERAGE	33	MEDIAN	34
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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 and Fine Art
English	4	2 Honors Level: Literature and Language; 2 AP Level or 1 AP Level + Honors Level 10
Lab Science	4	3 Honors Level Courses and Minimum of 1 AP Level Course
History	3	2 AP Level Courses plus one additional Honors or AP Level Course
World Language	3	Chinese, French, Latin, or Spanish
Economics	0.5	Minimum Requirement

2024 NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

SEMI-FINALISTS



FINALISTS



WINNERS



ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Students are prepared to take AP courses and AP Exams as early as grade 8, and typically take more than the required 4 AP Exams. The externally generated and graded AP Exams also count as final exams for AP courses.

- In the 2023–2024 school year, **380** students took **1,580** AP examinations across **31** AP subject areas
- In total they achieved an average score of **4.50**, with a pass rate of **98%**

2024 AP SCHOLARS

31	AP SCHOLAR
45	AP SCHOLAR WITH HONOR

241 **AP SCHOLAR WITH DISTINCTION**

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THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM AT BASIS INDEPENDENT SILICON VALLEY

All of our students are required to take at least 4 AP courses throughout high school with a minimum of one each in Math, English, History, and Lab Science.

CURRICULAR PATHWAY TO GRADUATION

BASIS Independent students begin their pathway to graduation in the middle grades, including taking required, concurrent courses in high school-level Biology, Physics, and Chemistry in each year, and well as Latin and a World Language of students' choice; and earning high school credits in Algebra I, II, and Geometry. By grade 9, they are prepared for PreCalculus and AP courses far earlier than their peers. All of our students are required to take at least 4 AP courses with a minimum of one each in Math, English, History, and Lab Science. AP exams count as the final exam for their courses and factor into students' final course grades. Passing at least one AP exam with a 3 or higher is required for graduation.

Each year, students are required to take an elective. Some of the available electives at BASIS Independent Silicon Valley include:

AP Chinese Language and Culture

AP Computer Science A

AP Economics

AP Environmental Science

AP Psychology

AP Statistics

AP Studio Art

Ceramics

Digital Photography

Empowering Entrepreneurs

Introduction to Business

Introduction to Organic Chemistry

CAPSTONE COURSES

While most of our students fulfill graduation requirements after their Junior year, most stay for Senior year choosing to take capstone courses and graduating with an honors or high honors diploma. Seniors are eligible to take capstones if they have met graduation requirements. These courses are two trimesters long and have AP courses as pre-requisites; 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 of critical evaluation and evidence-based writing, and embark on an intensive project requiring college-level motivation.

CURRENT CAPSTONES INCLUDE:

Advanced Java Topics & Machine Learning

Corporate Finance

Differential Equations

Existentialism & The Absurd

Game Theory

Industrial Chemistry

Inorganic Chemistry

Linear Algebra

Modern Physics

Multivariable Calculus

Multiversal Fiction

Neuroscience

Psychology of Happiness

Rhetoric & Communications

Twilight of Democracy

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.

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 nearly all extracurricular activities are established by students.

During the course of the 2023-2024 school year, the school offered 166 extracurricular offerings. Eighty-eight percent of the student body participated in at least one school offering.

Beginning in the 2024-2025 school year, the school will be in an official athletic league. As a member of the Private School Athletic League (PSAL), the school will participate in High School Boys Basketball, High School Girls Basketball, High School Boys Volleyball, High School Girls Volleyball, High School Boys and Girls Cross Country, and High School Boys and Girls Track and Field. League participation will also make school teams eligible for section and state-level competitions.

Here is just a sampling of the many activities offered by the school:

Academic Decathlon

AI Research in HealthCare

ASB Club

Aviation Club

Book Palooza

Business Entrepreneurship Club

Computational Mathematics Club

Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Science Club

Fencing Club

Genes in Diseases and Symptoms

Golf Club

Investment Club

K Pop Dance Club

Key Club International

Kids for Kindness

Machine Learning and Project Application

Mock Trial

Music Collaboration Club

Music Production Club

National Economics Challenge, The

Robotics Club

Science Bowl

Software Startup Club

Ted Ed Student Talks

Women's Empowerment Club

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.

