



# MIRUS ACADEMY

INDEPENDENT PRIVATE SCHOOL

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## 2020 – 2021 SCHOOL PROFILE

### SCHOOL FACTS

Founded in 2006, Mirus Academy is a non-sectarian, independent private secondary school enrolling fewer than 100 students. Admission is selective, requiring an excellent academic and disciplinary record. The school day consists of 8 academic periods. Curriculum and calendar closely follow the standards of Katy ISD.

### COMMUNITY

Mirus Academy is located in the small town of Katy, TX (population 13,500), a rural/suburban community west of Houston, TX. The socio-economic level of the area is mixed.

### CLASS RANKING

Because Mirus is a small school with selective admissions, the students are not ranked. If ranking is required, we recommend the following guidelines:

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 4.00 + 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2.00 – 2.99

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 3.00 – 3.99 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 0.00 – 1.99

### GRADING SYSTEM

The school year has 6 grading terms, divided into two semesters of 3 terms each. The semester grade is calculated by averaging the 3 term grades with the semester final exam. The grade point average is calculated by dividing the total number of grade points earned by the number of high school credits attempted.

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A full-year course is assigned the value of 1 credit; shorter courses receive 0.5 credits. Under normal circumstances, 26 credits are required for graduation. However, a 22 credit basic graduation plan may be approved on a case-by-case basis. Requirements for the *Regular Plan*, *Honors Plan*, and alternative *Basic Plan* are listed at right.

### NON-DISCRIMINATION

Mirus Academy does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, gender, or any protected group in its admissions or hiring programs or policies.

GRADING SYSTEM				
Percent Grade	Letter Grade	Regular GPA	Honors/AP [add 1.00]	Unweight UGPA
97-100	A+	4.00	5.00	4.00
93-96	A	4.00	5.00	4.00
90-92	A-	3.67	4.67	4.00
87-89	B+	3.33	4.33	3.00
83-86	B	3.00	4.00	3.00
80-82	B-	2.67	3.67	3.00
77-79	C+	2.33	3.33	2.00
73-76	C	2.00	3.00	2.00
70-72	C-	1.67	2.67	2.00
00-69	F	0.00	0.00	0.00
	P	Pass (not calculated)		

HIGH SCHOOL CLASSIFICATION		
GRADE	CLASSIFICATION	CREDITS
Grade 9	Freshman	0.0 – 5.5
Grade 10	Sophomore	6.0 – 12.5
Grade 11	Junior	13.0 – 18.5
Grade 12	Senior	19.0 +

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS			
SUBJECT	BASIC <sup>1</sup>	REGULAR <sup>1</sup>	HONORS
English	4	4	4
Mathematics	3	4	4
Science	3	4	4
Social Studies	3	3	3
Foreign Language	0	2	2
Fine Arts	0	1	1
Communications	0	½	½
Health	0	½	½
"Endorsement" <sup>2</sup>	0	2	2
Electives	9	5	5
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>26<sup>3</sup></b>

1. In Texas Public Schools beginning 2015, "Basic" is called "Foundation" and "Regular" is called "Endorsement".

2. Choice of endorsement classes will earn an "Endorsement" in STEM, Arts & Humanities, or Multi-Disciplinary.

3. Honors requires completion of either Pre-Calculus or a 3<sup>rd</sup> year of foreign language, 4 or more honors-level classes, completion of Chemistry or Physics, and GPA of 3.5 or higher



### ACCREDITATION

Mirus Academy is accredited by the National Association of Private Schools.

# 2020-2021 SCHOOL PROFILE, continued

## POST-GRADUATION PLANS

Student plans following high school graduation:

- 4-Year University—75%
- 2-Year University—20%
- Other—5%

## HONORS COURSES

In addition to regular courses, Mirus Academy offers HONORS options for most high school courses. Honors courses include additional reading and writing, more difficult versions of exams, and more opportunities for critical thinking and analysis.

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES:

Mirus offers 9 Advanced Placement courses. No limit is placed on the number of AP courses a student may take:

- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Statistics
- AP English Language
- AP English Literature
- AP Macroeconomics
- AP U.S. Government
- AP Psychology
- AP Computer Science A

## DUAL CREDIT COURSES:

Mirus Academy has Dual Credit agreements in place with the University of Texas: Permian Basin (for online classes) and Houston Community College (for in-person classes). A one-semester dual credit course receives 0.5 High School credit in addition to any college credit earned.

## CLASS SIZES AND RATIOS

CLASS SIZES		RATIOS	
1 – 5 Students	35%	Avg. Class Size	8
6 – 10 students	60%	Teacher: Student	1:8
11 – 15 students	5%	Staff : Student	1:6

## STUDENT DIVERSITY

GENDER			
Female	56%	Male	44%
ETHNICITY			
White	55%	Hispanic	21%
Asian	16%	Native American	0%
Black	8%	Other	0%

## ANNUAL STANDARDIZED TESTS (THROUGH 10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE)

	MIRUS Average	National Avg.
Reading	79 <sup>th</sup> %	50 <sup>th</sup> %
Language	75 <sup>th</sup> %	50 <sup>th</sup> %
Math	73 <sup>rd</sup> %	50 <sup>th</sup> %
TOTAL	76 <sup>th</sup> %	50 <sup>th</sup> %

## COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TESTS

SAT	MIRUS	National	Texas	KISD *
SAT	<b>1240</b>	1012	989	1079
ACT	<b>26</b>	21	21	24

*\* Average scores as posted on the Katy ISD website.*

## MIRUS GRADUATES HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED TO THE FOLLOWING UNIVERSITIES:

Adelphi University (NY)  
 American University (DC)  
 Austin College (TX)  
 Baylor University (TX)  
 Belmont University (TN)  
 Butler University (IN)  
 College of St. Rose (NY)  
 College of William & Mary (VA)  
 Cornell College (IA)  
 Denison University (OH)  
 DePauw University (IN)  
 Drake University (IA)  
 Earlham College (IN)  
 Eckerd College (FL)  
 Florida Institute of Tech. (FL)  
 Goucher College (MD)  
 Hawaii Pacific Univ. (HI)  
 Houston Baptist Univ. (TX)  
 Knox College (IL)  
 Lamar University (TX)

Louisiana State University (LA)  
 Louisiana Tech University (LA)  
 Northeastern University (MA)  
 Ohio State University (OH)  
 Ohio-Wesleyan University (OH)  
 Oregon State University (OR)  
 Purdue University (IN)  
 Reed College (OR)  
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst (NY)  
 Rice University (TX)  
 Rhodes College (TN)  
 Rochester Institute of Tech (NY)  
 Sam Houston State Univ. (TX)  
 Schreiner University (TX)  
 Southern Methodist Univ. (TX)  
 Southwestern University (TX)  
 Stephen F. Austin Univ. (TX)  
 Stony Brook University (NY)  
 St. Louis University (MO)

Texas A&M Univ, College Station (TX)  
 Texas Christian University (TX)  
 Texas State University (TX)  
 Texas Tech University (TX)  
 Texas Women's University (TX)  
 Trinity University (TX)  
 Tulane University (LA)  
 University of Alabama (AL)  
 University of Arkansas (AR)  
 University of Calif., Berkley (CA)  
 University of Calif., Santa Cruz (CA)  
 University of Houston (TX)  
 University of Incarnate Word (TX)  
 University of Miami (FL)  
 University of New Orleans (LA)  
 University of North Texas (TX)  
 University of St. Thomas (TX)  
 University of Texas, Austin (TX)  
 University of Texas, San Antonio (TX)