



**KENT DENVER SCHOOL**  
Excellence in scholarship and character

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## SCHOOL PROFILE

### VISION STATEMENT

Excellence in scholarship and character is the goal of a Kent Denver education. We strive to create a welcoming and diverse learning community of responsible citizens who have a positive impact on our world and on each other. We offer a challenging college preparatory curriculum that includes a rich variety of learning experiences while setting high ethical standards.

**CORE VALUES = INTEGRITY • RESPECT • PERSONAL GROWTH • COMMUNITY • WISDOM**

### SCHOOL AND ACCREDITATION

Kent Denver is fully accredited by the Association of Colorado Independent Schools (ACIS), which is recognized by the Colorado State Board of Education. The school is a member of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS).

Kent Denver has 729 students; 494 are in the Upper School. 29% of students self-identify as ethnically or racially diverse. More than 24% of the student body receives annual financial aid of more than \$3.9M. Advanced degrees are held by 70% of faculty members.

Kent Denver consistently earns recognition at the regional, state and national levels in athletics, arts, foreign language, speech and debate, journalism, Model U.N., mock trial, and bands in the commercial music program.

Kent Denver hosts Breakthrough Kent Denver. The mission of Breakthrough Kent Denver is two-fold: first, to increase the educational and social opportunities of motivated, under-resourced, middle school students through a quality year-round program, and, second, to motivate and train talented high school and college students for careers in education.

### GRADING SYSTEM AND GPA

A standard system of marking, A–F, is followed in all departments.

A+ 100-97=4.3	A 96-93=4.0	A- 92-90=3.7
B+ 89-87=3.3	B 86-83=3.0	B- 82-80=2.7
C+ 79-77=2.3	C 76-73=2.0	C- 72-70=1.7
D+ 69-67=1.3	D 66-63=1.0	D- 62-60=.70

Kent Denver School does not rank students. Advanced Placement and Honors courses, including Advanced Topics, are weighted 110% (A=4.4). GPA's are calculated based on courses taken in grades 9–12.

The Class of 2021 has 115 seniors; 100% plan to attend college. The highest average at the end of the junior year was 4.422; the lowest average was 2.778.

### GRADE DISTRIBUTIONS

4.00 - 4.422 - 32 students	3.00 - 3.490 - 20 students
3.75 - 3.990 - 32 students	2.50 - 2.990 - 3 students
3.50 - 3.749 - 27 students	2.00 - 2.490 - 0 students

### STANDARDIZED TESTING - MEAN CEEB SCORES

SAT EBRW = 689      SAT M = 704      ACT = 30

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

All students are required to independently complete 80 hours of community service outside of school and participate in athletics or Health & Wellness classes each year. All seniors must complete a required three-week Career Internship Experience (CIE), in which students gain valuable on-the-job experience working alongside professionals in various career settings.

<b>4yrs</b> of English	<b>4yrs</b> of math
	
<b>3yrs (consecutive)</b> of world language	<b>3yrs</b> of history
	
<b>3yrs</b> of science (Biology, Physics, & Chemistry)	<b>2yrs</b> of art & electives
	

## KENT DENVER SCHOOL CURRICULUM HIGHLIGHTS

Kent Denver recruits the very best teachers from all over the world. Most teachers have advanced degrees in their disciplines, and all are committed to providing the very best deep learning experiences for their students. They understand that a Kent Denver education begins with strong relationships between teachers and students, and they know that learning spaces are places where students are active, engaged, collaborating, discussing and thinking.

### Advanced Placement Program

AP coursework is available for students in grades 11–12 and, on rare occasions, to 10th-graders. Students must obtain permission to enroll in more than three AP courses per year. In 2020, 206 students took an AP exam and sat for a combined total of 455 exams in 24 different topics. 91% of the scores earned were a “3” or higher.

Post-AP courses, often labeled Advanced Topics, are offered in world languages, math and computer science. Honors courses are available in world languages and math in ninth grade. Honors courses in science are available in 10th grade. Independent studies are facilitated with faculty permission.

### Independent Study

Kent Denver supports the individual interests, passions and talents of its students in various ways, including its robust independent study program. Through this program, students pursue a project independently with the supervision of a faculty member. Last year, Kent Denver saw students complete 80 independent study projects in areas such as music performance and composition, the intersection between social entrepreneurship and technology, race, and public health.

The school also partners with Global Online Academy and One Schoolhouse.

### Computer Studies

AP Computer Science A; AP Computer Science Principles; Advanced Topics: Data Structures; Advanced Topics: Servers and Data

### English

AP English Literature

### History

AP European History; AP U.S. History; AP Economics; Advanced Debate; Colorado History and Ecology Honors; Colorado and the West Honors; Power in America Honors; Wisdom of Ancient Traditions Honors

### Mathematics

AP Calculus AB; AP Calculus BC; AP Statistics; Geometry Honors; Algebra II Honors; Advanced Calculus Honors; Honors Multivariable Calculus & Advanced Mathematics Topics; Pre-Calculus Honors

### Science

AP Psychology; AP Physics C: Mechanics; AP Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism; AP Chemistry; AP Biology

### Visual and Performing Arts

AP Music Theory; Latin Ensemble Honors; R&B Ensemble Honors

### World Languages

AP French Language; French III Honors; Advanced Topics French Conversation and Culture; AP Spanish Language; AP Spanish Literature and Culture; Spanish III Honors; Advanced Topics Spanish; AP Chinese Language and Culture; Mandarin III Honors; Mandarin IV Honors

## KDS INNOVATION SCHOLARS PROGRAM AND SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

The Kent Denver Innovation Scholars program empowers students to pursue self-directed exploration and learning. Students may follow established tracks in the areas of Design, Entrepreneurship, Experimental Research, Robotics, or Technology, or they may pioneer their own track in the Innovation Scholars program.

Upper School students work with their advisor, dean, the Institute Director and the Upper School Director to create a personalized learning plan that defines expectations and required outcomes for their Innovation Scholars Certificate. Through the Innovation Scholars program, students demonstrate their accomplishments through the creation of a portfolio and can receive a graduation certificate.

Kent Denver Signature Programs provide authentic learning opportunities and help students follow their passions, find their voices and accomplish the extraordinary. Programs include Ethics Day, Global Travel, MidFirst Student Bank, Model UN, Robotics, Speech and Debate, and more.





COLLEGE ENROLLMENTS 2017-2020

University of Alberta ..... 1  
 American University ..... 5  
 Amherst College ..... 2  
 University of Arizona ..... 4  
 Babson College ..... 1  
 Bates College.....1  
 Boston College ..... 4  
 Bowdoin College ..... 1  
 Brigham Young University ..... 2  
 University of British Columbia.....1  
 Brown University ..... 5  
 Bryant University ..... 1  
 California Polytechnic  
     State University, San Luis Obispo.....1  
 University of California  
     Berkeley.....2  
 University of California  
     Los Angeles ..... 6  
 University of California  
     San Diego ..... 1  
 Carleton College ..... 1  
 Carnegie Mellon University ..... 1  
 Case Western Reserve University ..... 1  
 Champlain College ..... 1  
 Chapman University..... 6  
 University of Chicago..... 5  
 Claremont McKenna College..... 5  
 Clarkson University ..... 1  
 Clemson University..... 3  
 Colby College ..... 2  
 Colgate University.....4  
 University of Colorado/Boulder.....33  
 University of Colorado/Denver.....2  
 Colorado College.....10  
 Colorado School of Mines.....2  
 Columbia University.....2  
 Cornell University.....4  
 Dartmouth College.....6  
 Davidson College ..... 2  
 University of Dayton.....1  
 University of Delaware.....1  
 Denison University.....7  
 University of Denver.....6  
 Dickinson College.....1  
 Drew University.....1  
 Duke University.....4  
 Durham University.....1

École hôtelière de Lausanne.....1  
 Elon University.....6  
 Emory University.....4  
 Florida State University.....1  
 Fordham University ..... 1  
 The George Washington University ..... 2  
 Georgetown University.....2  
 University of Georgia ..... 3  
 Georgia Institute of Technology ..... 2  
 Gonzaga University ..... 6  
 Grambling State University ..... 1  
 Hamilton College..... 4  
 Hampton University ..... 1  
 Harvard University ..... 3  
 Harvey Mudd College ..... 1  
 Haverford College ..... 1  
 Hobart and William  
     Smith Colleges ..... 1  
 Illinois Institute of Technology.....1  
 Indiana University Bloomington ..... 6  
 University of Iowa.....1  
 Johns Hopkins University..... 2  
 University of Kansas ..... 2  
 Kenyon College ..... 1  
 Knox College ..... 1  
 Lafayette College..... 2  
 Langston University ..... 1  
 Lehigh University..... 1  
 MA Institute of Technology ..... 2  
 Marist College ..... 1  
 Miami University ..... 4  
 University of Miami..... 2  
 University of Michigan ..... 12  
 Middlebury College..... 2  
 University of Mississippi.....1  
 University of Missouri ..... 2  
 Montana State University..... 1  
 University of New Hampshire..... 1  
 New York University..... 5  
 New York University, Shanghai ..... 1  
 University of North Carolina  
     Chapel Hill..... 4  
 University of North Dakota..... 1  
 Northeastern University ..... 4  
 Northwestern University ..... 10  
 University of Notre Dame..... 4  
 Oberlin College ..... 2

Occidental College..... 1  
 University of Oklahoma ..... 3  
 University of Oregon..... 4  
 University of Pennsylvania..... 7  
 Pennsylvania State University ..... 1  
 Pepperdine University.....1  
 Pitzer College ..... 1  
 Pomona College..... 2  
 Princeton University ..... 5  
 University of Puget Sound..... 5  
 Purdue University ..... 1  
 Red Rocks Community College ..... 1  
 University of Redlands..... 5  
 Reed College ..... 3  
 Regis University.....1  
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute ..... 1  
 University of Richmond ..... 2  
 University of Rochester ..... 1  
 Rutgers University.....1  
 University of St Andrews ..... 2  
 St. Lawrence University..... 1  
 Saint John’s University, MN..... 1  
 Saint Joseph’s University.....1  
 Saint Louis University..... 1  
 University of San Diego..... 6  
 Santa Clara University..... 4  
 Scripps College..... 1  
 Seattle University..... 1  
 Sewanee: University of the South..... 2  
 Smith College..... 1  
 University of South Carolina ..... 2  
 University of Southern California..... 6  
 So. California Institute of Architecture.....1  
 Southern Methodist University ..... 9  
 Stanford University ..... 6  
 Swarthmore College ..... 1  
 Syracuse University..... 2  
 Temple University..... 1  
 Texas Christian University ..... 10  
 University of Texas at Austin ..... 5  
 University of Toronto..... 1  
 Trinity College ..... 2  
 Trinity University ..... 3  
 Tufts University..... 9  
 Tulane University ..... 6  
 Union College ..... 2  
 United States Air Force Academy..... 1



COLLEGE ENROLLMENTS 2017–2020 CONT.

United States Military Academy.....	1
United States Naval Academy.....	1
University of Utah.....	2
Vanderbilt University.....	3
Vassar College.....	3
Villanova University.....	2
University of Virginia.....	4
Virginia Polytechnic and State University.....	1

Wake Forest University.....	10
Washington and Lee University.....	3
Washington University.....	7
University of Washington.....	6
University of Washington, Tacoma.....	1
Webb Institute.....	1
Wesleyan University.....	2
Wheaton College.....	1
Whitman College.....	1

Whittier College.....	1
Willamette University.....	1
College of William and Mary.....	2
Williams College.....	3
University of Wisconsin–Madison.....	3
College of Wooster.....	1
Yale University.....	3

College Matriculation  
Class of 2020

# listed is how many students are attending a school in that state  
3 students are taking a gap year in 2020-2021

