

## About ASU Prep Academy

ASU Preparatory Academy is an innovative 7-12 school where teachers, students and families share the same goal – college graduation. Located in Casa Grande and chartered by Arizona State University, the district has a diversified student population.

ASU Prep Casa Grande is part of the network of site-based schools in Arizona. Currently ASU Preparatory Academy campuses are located in Mesa (PreK-12), Phoenix (K-12), South Phoenix (PreK-12), Casa Grande (7-12), Pilgrim Rest (PreK-6), and Digital (K-12). The student body of ASU Preparatory Academy Casa Grande is culturally diverse with a population that is 50% Hispanic, 10% African American, 31% white, 7% Asian, and 2% American Indian/Alaskan Native. The mission of ASU Prep Casa Grande is to design new models for educational success and raise academic achievement for all learners.

## School

ASU Preparatory Academy Casa Grande is a comprehensive free, public charter school serving grades 7-12. Located in Casa Grande, Arizona, the school opened in the Fall of 2016. ASU Preparatory Academy Casa Grande graduated its first senior class in the spring of 2017 and is accredited by Cognia.

## Academic Program

ASU Preparatory Academy's program includes curriculum that is designed to help students build:

- Foundational knowledge and confidence for further study
- Learning skills to be able to read, write and speak clearly and accurately
- Critical thinking skills to observe, interpret and analyze information
- Problem solving skills, and the ability to interpret and communicate results

Core curriculum is designed to be accessible for all children. Students who are highly capable and highly motivated have access to University courses at ASU starting their freshman year.

2023 School Initiatives include:

- Personalized Mastery Based Learning using Blended Learning Strategies
- Project-Based Learning
- Multi-Tiered System of Support

## Rank

School policy does not allow for individual ranking and instead ranks students based on grade point average percentage in the class; GPA for Summa Cum Laude - 3.8+; GPA for Magna Cum Laude - 3.6 - 3.79; GPA for Cum Laude - 3.4 - 3.59.

## Curriculum

### Honors courses\*

Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, Calculus, Chemistry, Biology, Earth and Space Science, Physics, English 9, English 10, English 11, English 12, US History, World History, Government, Economics, Spanish 3, Spanish 4, German 3, German 4, French 3, French 4, Mandarin 3, Latin 3. \*Placement requires a B or better in the subject area. ASU Prep's list of NCAA courses reflects those courses reviewed by the NCAA Eligibility Center.

## School Information

**CEEB code:** 030083

**Establish Date:** 2016

**Size (enrollment):** 272

**Accreditation:** Cognia

**Grades Served:** 7-12

## Our Team

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### Concurrent course offerings\* (39)

Arizona State University: Advanced First-Year Composition, Art in My World, Art-Prehistory thru Middle Ages, Brief Calculus, Calculus for Engineers I, Calculus for Life Sciences, College Algebra, College and Career Readiness, College Mathematics, Elementary German, Elements of Interpersonal Communications, First-Year Composition, General Biology I, General Biology II, General Chemistry I, Global History Since 1500, Human Anatomy/Physiology I, Introduction to Criminal Justice, Introduction to Digital Culture, Introduction to Environmental Design, Introduction to Human Communication, Introduction to Information Technology, Introduction to Nutrition, Introduction to Sociology, Introduction to Engineering, Introduction to Psychology, Intro to Sustainability, Introductory Chemistry, Media and Society, Microeconomics Principles, Modern Differential Equations, Precalculus, Principles of Programming, Principles of Programming with C++, Public Service and Policy in the 21st Century, Poetry in America, Travel Writing, US History to 1865, Writing for the Professions. \*The courses listed are a sample of what ASU Prep students have taken in 2020. Eligible students may take any course in the Arizona State University Undergraduate Catalog.

### Grade Point Average (GPA) Calculation

GPA is calculated based on adding all points earned and dividing the total points by the total number of courses taken. All grades, starting in the students' freshman year, count toward their cumulative GPA. Honors and concurrent courses are awarded an extra grade point for a grade of A, B, C, up to a maximum of 5 points. Grades are recorded at the end of the fall and spring term. At ASU Prep Casa Grande, 22 credits are required for graduation.

**Class of 2023 GPA** - There were 43 graduates in the Class of 2023.

Unweighted:	Weighted:
4 earned a 4.0+	13 earned a 4.0+
14 earned 3.5-3.99	8 earned 3.5-3.99
8 earned 3.0-3.49	8 earned 3.0-3.49
12 earned 2.50-2.99	11 earned 2.50-2.99
5 earned 2.0-2.49	3 earned 2.0-2.49
0 earned less than a 2.0	0 earned less than a 2.0

### Senior Seminar

As part of the ASU Prep Casa Grande college-going culture, all seniors take a Senior Seminar elective course in the Fall and Spring of the graduating year. In this course, seniors explore topics and strategies to aid them in the college admissions process and in future careers. Topics of study include FAFSA, Common App, career and major exploration, personal finance and interpersonal skills.

### Post High School

65% Admitted to 4-Year Colleges/Universities  
100% Admitted to 4-Year or 2-Year Colleges/Universities

### Colleges attended by ASU Prep Casa Grande graduates

Arizona State University	Eastern Washington University	Penn State - Brandywine	University of Denver
ASU Barrett, The Honors College	Elmhurst University	Pepperdine University	University of Edinburgh
Baylor University	Embry-Riddle University	Pima Community College	University of Alabama in Huntsville
Belmont Abbey College	Florida State University	Purdue University	University of Arizona
Berklee College of Music	Fort Lewis College	Quinnipiac University	University of Arkansas
Bowling Green State University	Fresno Pacific University	San Diego State University	University of Central Florida
Brigham Young University	Grand Canyon University	San Francisco State University	University of Colorado Boulder
Brandeis University	High Point University	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Hartford
Butler University	Lewis & Clark College	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	University of Maryland, Baltimore
Cal Poly	Loyola Marymount University	Scottsdale Community College	University of Missouri
Carrington College	Macalester College	St. John's College	University of New Mexico
Central Arizona College	Maryville University	St. Mary's College	University of Southern California
Central New Mexico Community College	Mesa Community College	South Mountain Community College	University of Toronto
Chandler-Gilbert Community	New Jersey Institute of Technology	Southern Methodist University	University of Utah
Colorado School of Mines	Northern Arizona University	Stanford University	University of Victoria
Colorado Mesa University	Northumbria University	Texas Christian University	University of Wisconsin-Madison
Colorado State University	Northwestern Nazarene	Utah Valley University	Virginia Tech
Corban University	Ohio State University	UC Berkeley	York College
Cornell University	Oklahoma State University	UC Irvine	
Creighton University	Oregon State University	UC Merced	
Dartmouth College	Ottawa University	UC Santa Barbara	
Denver University	Paradise Valley Community College	UC San Diego	
Drexel University	Palm Beach State College	University of Albany	

### Credit requirements

ASU Prep Casa Grande students must pass all courses required to meet the minimum college entrance standards for Arizona Board of Regents, along with required electives. To receive an ASU Prep Casa Grande high school diploma, students must earn a minimum of 22 total credits, 6.0 of which must be earned at ASU Prep Casa Grande. The minimum credits required per subject area include:

English	<b>4 Credits</b>
Mathematics	<b>4 Credits</b>
Lab Science	<b>3 Credits</b>
Social Studies	<b>3 Credits</b>
Foreign Language	<b>2 Credits</b>
Fine Arts/CTE	<b>1 Credits</b>
Elective	<b>5 Credits</b>

### Extracurricular Opportunities

Robotics Club	Chess Club
NHS	Soccer/Volleyball Fun Club
Yearbook	
Student Government	

### Grading and ranking

A	4	90-100 Exemplary
B	3	80-89 Highly Proficient
C	2	70-79 Proficient
D	1	60-69 Partially Proficient
F	0	60-59 Minimally Proficient
P: (Pass)		No GPA Points
NC: (No Credit)		No GPA Points
I: (Incomplete)		No GPA Points
W: (Withdraw)		No GPA Points

### Awards and Distinctions

\$4,352,400 earned by students in academic, athletic, and private Scholarships.

### Testing Scores, 2023

<b>ACT Math</b>	<b>ACT English</b>
Mean: 20.6	Mean: 20.3
Median: 21	Median: 19
Middle 50%: 16-25	Middle 50%: 14-26
<b>ACT Science</b>	<b>ACT Reading</b>
Mean: 20.9	Mean: 20.4
Median: 21	Median: 20
Middle 50%: 17-25	Middle 50%: 14-27