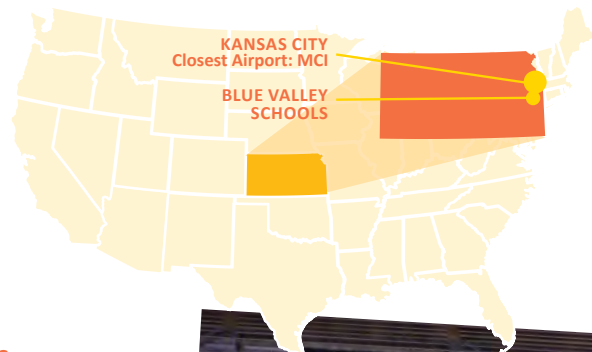




# Blue Valley Schools

## Overland Park, KS



### LOCATION:

- Population: 191,000
- Located 20 Minutes South of Kansas City
- Weather:  
Summer/Fall: Warm and Humid  
Winter/Spring: Cold and Temperate

### ELIGIBILITY:

- Grades Accepted: 11-12
- Minimum TOEFL: Not Required
- Minimum ELTIS: 215

### DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS:

- Nationally recognized US Blue Ribbon School
- High Schools in the district named top High Schools in Kansas by Washington Post and US News and World Report
- Two 2018 Presidential Scholars

### ACADEMICS AND FACTS:

- Grades at School: 9-12
- Total Students Per School: About 1,450
- Teacher/Student Ratio: 1:14
- Diploma Year Offered: YES
- Choose High School in District? NO
- High Schools Accepting Students: 5

### DISTRICT PROFILE

Located in the US "Heartland," nicknamed for its location in the heart of the country and its kind and caring communities, Blue Valley Schools district consists of five high schools accepting international students. These award-winning high schools offer dual enrollment courses for college credit as well as over a dozen AP options.

### FACILITIES

Blue Valley's facilities include gymnasiums, modern classrooms, a Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS), a cutting edge research facility that provides mentorships and dual-credit college courses.

### SPORTS AND ARTS

Blue Valley students can participate in sports such as basketball, softball, American football and wrestling. The district's art students participate in local, regional, and national festivals and competition. Arts options include broadcasting, drama club, and more.

### AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Named 2022's best school district in Kansas by niche.com and highly ranked on the US News and World Report list of Best High Schools. The CAPS program received the 2016-17 Exemplary School Award. In 2018, two Blue Valley graduates were named Presidential Scholars. Over the last 15 years, 17 Blue Valley students have been named US presidential scholars. In 2020, 27 Blue Valley students were named as candidates for the presidential scholar program

### COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Consistently ranked in the top 100 best cities to live in the US by CNN and Money Magazine, Overland Park is a suburb of nearby Kansas City and is the second largest city in the state of Kansas. Kansas City, only 20 minutes away, features cultural and educational destinations such as the Botanical Gardens, the Museum of Contemporary Art, the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts and the Nelson Atkins Museum.

**University Acceptance Rate:** 97%

**Partial List of University Acceptances:** Baylor University, Creighton University, Drake University, Emporia State University, Indiana University, Iowa State University, Kansas State University, Loyola University- Chicago, Missouri State University, Missouri University of Science and Technology, Oklahoma State University, Pittsburgh State University, Texas Christian University, The University of Tulsa, Truman State University, University of Arizona, University of Arkansas, University of Central Missouri, University of Colorado - Boulder, University of Kansas, University of Missouri, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Washburn University, Washington University - St. Louis, Yale University

### OPTIONS AVAILABLE\*:

**Foreign Languages:** Chinese, French, Latin, Spanish

**Advanced Placement Courses:** 2D Art and Design, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Computer Science A, Computer Science Principles, Drawing, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Environmental Science, European History, French Language and Culture, Human Geography, Latin, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Physics, Psychology, Spanish Language and Culture, Statistics, Studio Art, US Government and Politics, US History, World History

**Arts:** Band, Broadcasting and Journalism, Choir, Dance, Graphic Design, Newspaper, Orchestra, Painting, Photography, Theater, Visual Arts Yearbook, Wood Technologies

### Athletics\*\*:

#### Boys:

**Fall:** Cross Country, Football, Soccer  
**Winter:** Basketball, Swimming and Diving, Wrestling  
**Spring:** Baseball, Golf, Tennis, Track and Field

#### Girls:

**Fall:** Cross Country, Golf, Tennis, Volleyball  
**Winter:** Basketball, Bowling  
**Spring:** Soccer, Softball, Swimming and Diving, Track and Field

**Extracurricular Activities:** Art Club, Book Club, Cheerleading, Chess, Community Service, Debate, Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA), Drama, Environmental, Forensics, Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), Future Teachers of America, Math Team, National Honor Society, Prom Committee, Student Ambassadors, Student Council

**ESL Available/Level:** NO

\*All courses and options offered by the school are subject to change.  
\*\*State regulations may restrict sports in isolated cases



This year is definitely one of the best years in my life. Everything has been going so amazing for me.  
– Bao from Vietnam