

# Stratford High School

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Accreditations/Memberships:

Texas Education Agency, The College Board

CEEB/ACT School Code: 443447



Spring Branch Independent School District (SBISD) is located just west of downtown Houston along Interstate 10. The district encompasses 44 square miles and about 188,000 residents who represent the world's cultural and economic spectrum. Home to nearly 32,000 students, SBISD traditionally ranks among the highest in Texas when it comes to college readiness indicators.

## About Stratford High School

- Comprehensive high school (grades 9-12) offering strong college preparatory program of over 200 course offerings designed to prepare graduates to be independent thinkers, problem-solvers and adept in using technology
- More than 90% of SHS graduates continue their education
- America's Best High Schools, Newsweek magazine 2010 (ranked #168), 2009, 2008
- Silver Medal School, U.S. News & World Report- 2009, 2008
- Texas Education Agency Gold Performance Award 2010, 2009, 2008
- College Readiness Award, Texas ACT Council 2010, 2009
- Honor Roll School, Texas Business & Education Coalition 2008
- No Place for Hate® School, Anti-Defamation League 2010, 2009, 2008
- Power Review, a comprehensive final exam preparation program held on Saturdays, voluntarily attended by more than 25% of SHS students
- Co-curricular program includes academic clubs and honor societies like JETS, Academic Challenge, Odyssey of the Mind & National Honor Society, performing arts organizations, student publications, student government, service organizations, and special interest clubs
- UIL sponsored athletic programs, Class 4A: baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, soccer, softball, swimming/diving, tennis, track & field, volleyball
- 129 faculty members; 30% hold advanced degrees

ACADEMICS/	
CURRICULUM	

- Courses offered at various levels to challenge each student's capabilities: Advanced Placement (AP), Pre-Advanced Placement (Pre-AP), Gifted & Talented (GT), Grade Level, Dual Credit (DC), Early College (EC) and Special Education
- Career & Technical training available along with cooperative work/ study programs
- Alternating Block Scheduling: 90 minute classes with 8 classes alternating 4 periods every other day
- 18 weeks/semester;
   6 week grading period

# ADVANCED COURSES

English II: Pre-AP, GT
English III: AP, GT, DC, EC
English IV: AP, GT, DC, EC
Geometry: Pre-AP
Algebra II: Pre-AP, GT
Pre-Calculus: Pre-AP, GT
Calculus AB: AP
Calculus BC: AP
Calculus: DC
Statistics: AP
Biology I: Pre-AP, GT

English I: Pre-AP, GT

Biology II: AP Chemistry I: Pre-AP, GT Chemistry II: AP Environmental Science: AP

Physics I: Pre-AP, GT Physics II B: AP Physics II C: AP Economics: GT, AP, EC
World Geography: Pre-AP, GT
U.S. History: AP, EC
World History: Pre-AP, GT, AP
European History: AP
Psychology: AP, EC
Sociology: EC
French III: Pre-AP
French IV: AP
German IV: AP
Spanish III: Pre-AP
Spanish IV: AP

Music Theory: AP

Studio Art: AP

U.S. Government: GT. AP. EC

### STUDENT ENROLLMENT

459
481
514
483
1937

#### SCHOOL PERSONNEL

**PRINCIPAL**Christopher Juntti

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL
Jennifer Jordan

12<sup>™</sup> GRADE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL Kathy Steen

11<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL Laura Ragsdale

10<sup>™</sup> GRADE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL Danny Gex

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REGISTRAR

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SPECIAL SERVICES COUNSELOR
D'Ann Franklin

### **TESTING PROFILE**

Class of 2010, Mean Scores

SAT (Taken by 76% of seniors	c) Critical Reading	Math	Writing	Total
Stratford Texas National	<b>538</b> 484 501	<b>575</b> 505 516	<b>534</b> 473 492	<b>1647</b> 1462 1509

ACT (Taken by 55% of seniors)	Composite
Stratford Texas National	<b>25.0</b> 20.8 21.0

National Merit Recognition	2011	2010
Finalists	8	3
Semifinalists	8	3
Commended	7	19
National Hispanic Scholars	8	6

Advanced Placement	2011	2010
Students Taking Exams Total Exams Taken Percentage of Students Earning 3 or Higher AP Scholars AP Scholars with Honors AP Scholars with Distinction AP National Scholar	508 1209 78% 98 35 42 7	563 1298 71% 83 34 41

### DISTRICT GRADING SCALE/ CLASS RANK

	GT/AP/IB	Grade Level/
	Pre-AP*	ESL/Dual Credit/ Early College
A = 90-100	7	6
B = 80-89	6	5
C = 75-79	5	4
D = 70-74	4	3
F = Below 70	0	0

(An expanded grading scale includes special education)

\*Weighted grade points are awarded for only one course per year, grades 9-12, in each of the four core curricular areas (English, math, science, social studies). GPA is determined by dividing the total grade points by the number of courses attempted. Courses not included in the calculation of GPA include those taken as correspondence/online, credit by examination and those taken in summer school and middle school

For the Class of 2012, Spring Branch ISD will report class rank outside the top 10% only if students made a formal request to have it included on their transcript.

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete the State of Texas Recommended High School Graduation Program that requires a total of 26 credits, as follows:

• English	4
<ul> <li>Mathematics</li> </ul>	4
Science	4
<ul> <li>Social Studies</li> </ul>	4
<ul> <li>World Languages</li> </ul>	2
Fine Arts	1
Health Fitness	1
<ul> <li>Speech Communication</li> </ul>	1/2
Electives	51/2

The Distinguished Achievement Program requires students to complete the 26 credit requirements, a third year of a world language and four additional advanced measures to be chosen from test data, college courses and an original research project. Special permission is required to graduate under the state's Minimum Plan of 22 credits.

#### **COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES**

Class of 2009-2011

Abilene Christian University American University Angelo State University Art Institute of Houston Austin College Baylor University Belhaven University Berklee College of Music Blinn College Boston College Brown University California Institute of Technology Carnegie Mellon University College of William and Mary Colorado School of Mines Columbia University Cornell University
Dartmouth College DePauw University Drexel University Duke University Eastman College of Music Elon University Emory University Fordham University Furman University Georgetown University Georgia Institute of Technology Houston Community College Howard University Ithaca College
Johns Hopkins University Lamar University Lehigh University Lenigh University
Lone Star College
Louisiana State University
Loyola University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Manhattan School of Music Michigan State University Millsaps College North Carolina School of Arts North Texas State University Northwestern University Oberlin College Ohio State University Otterbein University Ouachita Baptist University Pepperdine University Princeton University
Purdue University Regis University Rhodes College Rice University Sam Houston State University Samford University
San Angelo State University
San Diego State University
Santa Clara University
Schreiner University Southern Methodist University Spring Hill College Stanford University St. Edward's University
St. John's University
Stephen F. Austin State University Texas A&M University - College Station Texas A&M - Corpus Christi Texas A&M – Galveston Texas A&M – Kingsville Texas Christian University
Texas State University Texas Tech University Trinity University Tufts University Tulane University
U.S. Military Academy
U.S. Naval Academy
University of Alabama University of Arizona
University of Arkansas
University of California - Berkley University of California – Davis
University of California – Los Angeles University of California - San Diego University of Cincinnati University of Dallas University of Houston - Main University of Houston - Downtown University of Michigan University of Missouri University of North Carolina University of North Texas University of Notre Dame University of Oklahoma
University of Southern California
University of St. Thomas
University of Texas – Arlington University of Texas – Austin University of Texas – Dallas University of Texas - Pan American
University of Texas - San Antonio
University of Texas - Tyler University of Virginia
Wake Forest University

Yale University