



Key West High School

PROFILE 2024

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Community Facts

The Monroe County School District serves the educational needs of its unique communities that span some 3,737 square miles of from Key West to Ocean Reef, an island chain known as the Florida Keys.

Located in one of the state's most unique geographical and ecological areas, the district enjoys an economic base that centers on tourism. Currently, the district consists of five high schools, three middle schools, and 11 elementary schools utilizing a mix of K-5, K-8, and 9-12 grade level configurations.

Along with a diverse population, there is also a rich history of island traditions centered round the schools.

Career & Technical Education

The following Career & Technical Education (CTE) Programs can result in multiple certifications:

- Informational Technology
- Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS)
- Web Design
- Adobe Suite
- Auto-desk Inventor
- Television Productions
- Adobe Suite for motion pictures*
- Culinary Arts
- Safe Serve Accreditation*
- Health Careers
- Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)*
- Agriculture
- Certified Horticultural Professional*
- Fire Academy
- Automotive Mechanics
- Fashion Design
- Cosmetology

High School Facts

Key West High School is a comprehensive four-year public high school enrolling over 1200 students in grades 9-12. Established in 1906, Key West High School is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, and is a Grade A, Five-Star School. There are seven 55-minute class periods in a full school day.

A total of **24** credits resulting in a minimum 2.0 GPA are **required for graduation** including:

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| 4 English | 4 Math | 3 Science |
| 3 Social Studies | 1 Practical or Fine Art | 1 HOPE course |
| 7.5 Electives | ½ Credit of Personal Finance | |

In addition, a student must pass:

- The Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) English Language Arts Grade 10 and The End of Course (EOC) Exam in Algebra 1. 4

Grading Scale

Cumulative grade point average (GPA) is based on semester averages with a 4-point A scale for Level One and Two courses, a 4.5-point scale for Level 3 and Honors courses, and a 5.0-point scale for Advanced Placement and Dual Enrollment courses.

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| 90-100= A | 80-89= B | 70-79= C | 60-69= D | 59-0= F |
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Rigorous Academic Offerings

The following **A.P.**, **Honors** and 3rd/4th-year World Language courses are offered:

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| A.P. Music Theory | A.P. Human Geography | A.P. Biology |
| A.P. Calculus AB | A.P. Spanish | A.P. French |
| A.P. Chemistry | A.P. Physics | A.P. U.S. History |
| A.P. World History | A.P. Psychology | A.P. Macroeconomics |
| A.P. Lit. & Comp. | A.P. History | A.P. 2D Art & Design |
| A.P. Drawing | A.P. 3D Art & Design | A.P. Enviro. Science |
| A.P. Capstone Seminar | A.P. Capstone Research | A.P. Lang. & Comp. |
| A.P. Spanish Lang. & Culture | A.P. US Government & Politics | |
| A.P. Computer Science | A.P. Computer Science Principles | |
| Honors English 9, 10, 11, 12 | Honors World History | Honors US History |
| Honors Government | Honors Earth Space | Honors Algebra |
| Honors Biology | Honors Geometry | Honors Chemistry |
| Honors Algebra 2 | Honors Pre-Calculus | |
| Honors Anatomy & Physiology | Honors Economics | |
| Honors Probability/Statistics | French III, IV | Spanish III, IV |

Student Support Programs

A variety of academic support systems are offered to students including an after-school enrichment and tutoring program, Thursday Writing Lab, extended lunch for tutorial sessions, six computer labs on campus, and A.P. Saturday Sessions through our NMSI partnership for Math, Science, and English.

For additional student support, we boast a school-wide character education program, an 8-month transition program for all 9th grade students including peer mentorship, and a strong partnership with mentoring programs provided through Keys to Be the Change and Take Stock in Children. We have a life skills counselor, military family counselor, CINS counselor, ELL Parent Liaison, and Take Stock in Children Coordinator on campus. We also have a Parent Resource Center in the office.

Extra-Curricular Activities

There is a wealth of extra-curricular activities available to students including:

- Performing Arts:
 - Band,
 - Choir, Color Guard,
 - Conchettes,
 - Cheerleaders
- 32 Athletic Teams
- 36 Clubs including:
 - 8 Nationally Affiliated
 - 6 Academic
 - 20 Special Interest

College & Post-Secondary Plans

Class of 2023

Graduated: 309 students

Highest GPA: 4.698 (weighted)

35% (90) will attend a University (4-year institution)

45% (118) will attend Community or State College (2 year)

4% (10) will attend a Vocational Training School (1 year)

6% (13) joined the Military or chose an alternative plan

In total, 84% of all graduates will continue their education!

(Based on Exit Surveys of 252 respondents)

Standardized Test Data (2022)

ACT (167 Students)

Key West "Top 10" Composite: 29
Overall Key West Composite: 19.6
Florida Mean: 19.9
National Mean: 20.8

SAT (156 Students)

Key West (Overall): ERW Reading & Writing: 535 /Math: 518
Key West Composite Mean: 1053
Florida Mean: ERW Reading & Writing: 497 /Math: 485
National Mean: ERW Reading & Writing: 494 /Math: 508

Advanced Placement (AP) Results (2022)

365 students enrolled in AP courses.

614 AP tests administered.

60% of total AP students scored 3 or better.

Determination of Valedictorian and Salutatorian

- ❖ A scholastic grade point average based on semester final grades shall be calculated at the end of each academic year for each student in grades 9 through 12 based on the district's grade weighting policy.
- ❖ High school core courses taken at the middle school will be included in the Valedictorian/Salutatorian calculation. HOPE is NOT included in this calculation.
- ❖ Grades transferred from other accredited public schools were earned in courses coded as "high school" in the Florida Department of Education's Course Code Directory.

- ❖ Dual Enrollment “DE” courses in the core course areas (as per the Course Code equivalency list) which include the following: Math, English, Science, History/Social Studies, (as required for graduation), and World Language in the core course areas shall be included in calculating the Valedictorian/Salutatorian GPA.
- ❖ Grades earned by a student while enrolled in home education courses shall not be used in calculating Valedictorian/Salutatorian.

Achievements

- The Key West National Honor Society consisted of 29 members of the Class of 2023.
- 25% of students going to college from the Class of 2023 were eligible to receive a Bright Futures Scholarship.
- Excellent relationship between Key West High School and Take Stock in Children, as well as The College of the Florida Keys, resulting in over \$1 million in scholarships.
- Estimated grand total of community, school, military, and other scholarship dollars offered to the class of 2023: \$4.02 million.

College Acceptances of the Class of 2022

American University	Savannah College of Art & Design (SCAD)
Auburn University	Southeastern University
Ave Maria University	Stetson University
Berklee College of Music	Tallahassee Community College
Bethune-Cookman University	Texas A&M
Boston College	Tufts University
Bowden University	Tulsa Welding
College of Central Florida	North Carolina Central University
Cornell University	Ocala Fire College
Daytona State College	Pasco-Hernando State College
Embry-Riddle University	Pennsylvania State University
Emerson College	Union College
Emory University	United States Coast Guard Academy
Flagler College	United States Naval Academy
Florida Atlantic University	United States Military Academy at Westpoint
Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University	University of Alabama
Florida Gulf Coast University	University of Arizona
Florida Institute of Technology	University of Central Florida
Florida International University	University of Florida
College of the Florida Keys	University of Georgia
Florida Southern College	University of Louisiana
Florida Southwestern State College	University of Miami
Florida State University	University of Michigan
Georgia Institute of Technology	University of North Florida
Georgetown University	University of Pennsylvania
Indian River State College	University of South Florida
Jacksonville University	University of California at Los Angeles
Keiser University	USF—St. Petersburg
Louisiana State University	University of Tampa
Montana State University	University of Tennessee
Nova Southeastern University	University of Texas
Quincy University	University of Virginia
Rice University	University of Washington
Rollins College	Valencia State College
Santa Fe College	Williamette University