

## ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

### OUR MISSION

The mission of Arizona Connections Academy (ACA) is to leverage technology to help each participating student maximize his or her potential and meet the highest performance standard. This mission is accomplished through a uniquely individualized learning program that combines the best in virtual education with unique technology-based teach productivity tools and very real connections among students, families, teachers, and the community. Every ACA Student has a Personalized Learning Plan and an entire team of adults (including an Arizona-certified teacher and a parent or other learning coach) committed to the student's successful fulfillment of that plan. ACA is a high-quality, high-tech, high-touch virtual "school without walls" program that brings out the best in every student through Personalized Performance Learning.

### OUR VISION

To be the very best virtual school where students achieve their top learning potential through caring connections and high expectations for all.

### OUR PROGRAM

Arizona Connections Academy is accredited by the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement, the Northwest Accreditation Commission, and the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS CASI), which are accrediting divisions of Cognia. Arizona Connections Academy includes a four-year comprehensive high school program. The school has 93 combined full time staff members combined of teaching staff and administrative staff. School is in session for 180 days between the months of August and May.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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### SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

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**DIRECTOR OF COUNSELING:** Megan Hines

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**EDUCATION:** Heidi Proctor

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### ACCREDITATIONS



### SAMPLING OF COLLEGE

#### ACCEPTANCES

Arizona State University, Grand Canyon University, Northern Arizona University, and University of Arizona

## STUDENT POPULATION

Arizona Connections Academy has an enrollment of 794 high school students. Plans for the Class of 2025 include:

PLANS	%
Two- and Four-year college	41
Workforce	22
Vocational/Trade School	35
Other	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

## ADVANCED COURSE OPTIONS

**AP Course Offerings Include:** Calculus AB, English Language, English Literature, Psychology, Statistics, United States Government and United States History

**Honors Course Offerings Include:** Algebra I and II, American Government, Biology, Chemistry, English 9-12, Geometry, Physical Science, Pre-Calculus, U.S. History, and World History.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Arizona Connections Academy operates on a semester system utilizing Carnegie units. One semester class equal one-half of a high school credit. Students who have taken high school level courses while in middle school may have been granted high school credit. The typical course load is six classes per semester.

Area/Subjects	# Units for Graduation
Language Arts	4
Math	4
Science	3
Social Studies	3
Fine Arts/CTE	1
Electives	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>

## GRADE SCALE

Student transcripts reflect weighted grades if the student took Honors or Advanced Placement courses.

The numerical grading scale is as follows:

Grade	Numerical Percentage	Non-Weighted	Weighted (Honors)	Weighted (AP)
A	90–100	4.00	5.00	5.00
B	80–89	3.00	4.00	4.00
C	70–79	2.00	3.00	3.00
D	60–69	1.00	2.00	2.00
F	0–59	0.00	0.00	0.00