Memorial High School

2011-12

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Accreditations:
Texas Education Agency; The College Board
CEEB/ACT School Code: **443402**

Spring Branch Independent School District
Inspiring minds. Shaping lives.

Memorial High School Mustangs

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 Memorial High School

- Comprehensive public high school (grades 9 -12) offering rigorous college preparatory program that supports excellence in academics and pride in performance to prepare graduates to become productive, knowledgeable and prepared citizens in a global workplace and changing world.
- High expectations for academic excellence among our community, which is primarily composed of professional and business families
- 93% of MHS graduates continue their education with approximately 80% attending 4-year institutions and 30% attending out- of-state colleges
- Top 10 Best High Schools in Area, Children at Risk – 2011, 2009, 2008
- College Readiness Award, Texas ACT Council – 2010, 2008
- America's Best High Schools, Newsweek – 2010 (ranked #225)
- Just 4 The Kids (NCEA) High Performing School – 2009, 2008
- Honor Roll School, Texas Business & Education Coalition – 2008
- Co-curricular program of more than 50 organizations includes academic clubs and honor societies; performing arts organizations like orchestra, band, choir, dance and theater; community service organizations; special interest clubs; spirit groups; and lacrosse club
- UIL sponsored athletic programs, Class 5A: baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, soccer, softball, swimming/diving, tennis, track & field, volleyball
- 135 faculty members; 33% hold advanced degrees

STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Seniors	568
Juniors	582
Sophomores	655
Freshmen	650
Total	**2455**

ACADEMICS/ CURRICULUM

- Strong AP & Pre-AP curriculum
- Extensive technology including Wi-Fi campus network; ACTIVclassrooms for all English, math, science, social studies and world language classes; 11 stationary computer labs & 3 mobile labs
- Option to earn college credit through Dual Credit (DC)
- Traditional 7 Period Day: 50 minute classes
- 18 weeks/semester; 6 week grading period

ADVANCED COURSES

English I: Pre-AP, GT
English II: Pre-AP, GT
English III: AP, DC
English IV: AP, DC
Geometry: Pre-AP, GT
Algebra II: Pre-AP, GT
Pre-Calculus: Pre-AP, GT
Calculus AB: AP
Calculus BC: AP
Statistics: AP
Biology 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
U.S. Government: GT, AP, DC
Economics: GT, AP, DC
World Geography: Pre-AP, GT
U.S. History: GT, AP, DC
World History: Pre-AP, GT, AP
European History: AP
Psychology: AP
Computer Science: AP
French III: Pre-AP
French IV: Pre-AP
French V: AP
German III: Pre-AP
German IV: Pre-AP
German V: AP
Spanish III: Pre-AP
Spanish IV: Pre-AP
Spanish V: AP
Studio Art: AP
Music Theory: AP

SCHOOL PERSONNEL

PRINCIPAL
William P. Lakin

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL
Mindy Muñoz

12TH GRADE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
Dave Parker

11TH GRADE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
Gary Johnson

10TH GRADE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
Ellen Green

9TH GRADE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
Kathy Crain

REGISTRAR
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LEAD/POST-SECONDARY COUNSELOR
Darla Shirley

12TH GRADE COUNSELOR
Lindsay Hollomon

11TH GRADE COUNSELOR
Betty Lowry

10TH GRADE COUNSELOR
Peggy Vincent

9TH GRADE COUNSELOR
Kacy Warren

TESTING PROFILE

Class of 2010, Mean Scores

SAT *(Taken by 466 seniors)*	Critical Reading	Math	Writing	Total
Memorial	**571**	**602**	**571**	**1744**
Texas	484	505	473	1462
National	501	516	492	1509

ACT *(Taken by 385 seniors)*	Composite
Memorial	**25.4**
Texas	20.8
National	21.0

National Merit Recognition	2012	2011	2010
Finalists		10	15
Semifinalists	15	10	15
Commended	30	17	33
National Hispanic Scholars	4	4	7

Advanced Placement	2011	2010
Total Students Taking Exams	654	670
Total Exams Taken	1729	1747
Percentage of Students Earning 3 or Higher	81%	85%
Score of 5:	415	514
Score of 4:	542	517
Score of 3:	428	455
AP Scholars	110	96
AP Scholars with Honors	55	54
AP Scholars with Distinction	120	133
AP National Scholar	26	43

DISTRICT GRADING SCALE/ CLASS RANK

	GT/AP/IB Pre-AP*	Grade Level/ 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**
- **Mathematics** **4**
- **Science** **4**
- **Social Studies** **4**
- **World Languages** **2**
- **Fine Arts** **1**
- **Health Fitness** **1**
- **Speech Communication** **½**
- **Electives** **5½**

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 2011

Allegheny College
American University of Beirut
Art Institute of Houston
Appalachian State University
Auburn University
Austin College
Babson College
Baruch College
Baylor University
Belmont University
Birmingham Southern College
Boston University
Brigham Young University
Brown University
California Polytechnic State University
College of Charleston
Colorado College
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Cornell University
Dallas Baptist University
Dartmouth College
Duke University
Elon University
Emory University
Georgetown University
Harvard College
High Point University
Houston Baptist University
Indiana University
Kansas State University
Kenyon College
Lees McRae College
Louisiana State University
Loyola Marymount University
McGill University
Mississippi College
Missouri University of Science & Technology
New Mexico Inst. Of Mining & Technology
New York Institute of Technology
New York University
Oregon State University
Pace University
Pennsylvania State University
Rice University
Rhodes College
Rollins College
Sam Houston State University
Skidmore College
Southern Methodist University
Southwestern University
St. Edward's University
St. Mary's University
St. Mary's Minnesota
Stanford University
Stephen F. Austin State University
Sul Ross State University
Syracuse University
Tarleton State University
Texas A&M University – College Station
Texas A&M University- Corpus Christi
Texas A&M University- Galveston
Texas Christian University
Texas State University
Texas Tech University
Trinity University
Truman State University
Tulane University
U.S. Air Force Academy
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
University of Arkansas
University of California - Berkeley
University of California – Davis
University of California - San Diego
University of California - Santa Barbara
University of Colorado - Boulder
University of Colorado - Colorado Springs
University of Georgia
University of Houston - Main
University of Houston – Downtown
University of Illinois- Urbana-Champaign
University of Iowa
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi
University of Missouri
University of North Texas
University of Oklahoma
University of Rhode Island
University of San Diego
University of South Carolina
University of St. Thomas
University of Texas - Austin
University of Texas- Arlington
University of Texas- Dallas
University of Texas- San Antonio
University of Tulsa
University of Victoria
University of Virginia
University of Washington
Vanderbilt University
Wake Forest University
Washington & Lee University
Wellesley College
Whittier College