



CAMELBACK HIGH SCHOOL

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Camelback High School is "A Unified Community Dedicated to Building Graduates Worthy of the Spartan S.H.I.E.L.D." The Spartan SHIELD represents the six characteristics that all CBHS graduates should embody: Service, Honesty, Innovation, Engagement, Leadership, and Determination. Students are required to do community service, participate in an extracurricular club or interscholastic sport, and attend numerous campus events to ensure campus and community connectedness.

Camelback Montessori College Preparatory (CMCP) is a micro-school within the comprehensive campus. CMCP makes up 9% of the total student body. CMCP is the first and only public Montessori high school program in Arizona. Students receive a holistic Montessori education through a rigorous honors course sequence with a focus on cross-curricular connections, Socratic seminars, collaborative work, and project-based assessments. Beyond the classroom, students also engage in a service-learning curriculum, embark on nature-based field studies for mental and physical challenge, and are required to complete a year-long capstone senior project enact change in the real world. CMCP students thrive in a collaborative learning environment. Graduates of our program strive to develop a strong sense of empathy for humanity, possess high-level action research skills, strive for social justice and equity, and continually seek outside experiences to help them become active citizens of change.

CBHS offers a number of noteworthy college-going initiatives, AVID program offered to all 9-12 from its nationally recognized Achieving Via Individual Determination Program (**AVID**) in grades 9-12, our NAU GearUp partnership, Access ASU programs, ACE, META Network collaboration and post-secondary exploration in our Freshmen House. These initiatives and programs have resulted in achievement growth and increased college-going rates. CBHS boasts extensive advanced course offerings in business, entrepreneurial programs, and visual and performing arts with accompanying maker spaces, engineering labs, and state-of-the-art kitchens supporting our Culinary Arts Program.

Fast Facts 2026-2027

Grades	9-12
Student Enrollment	1850
Teaching Faculty	106
Support Staff	96
Attendance Rate	86.9%
Four-Year Graduation Rate	82.8%
Students on Free & Reduced Lunch	86%

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Ethnic Breakdown:

Hispanic	76.8%
White	4.8%
Black	10.6%
Native American	3.9%
Asian	1.4%
Other	2.5%

Grading System

Honors and AP marks are weighted 5 points for grade-point averages (GPA) and class rank. Grading is numerical; letter grade equivalents and grade points are as follows:

A = 100-90 (Excellent) = 4.0 grade points
 B = 89-80 (Very Good) = 3.0 grade points
 C = 79-72 (Satisfactory) = 2.0 grade points
 D = 71-70 (Passing) = 1.0 grade points
 F = Below 70 (Failing) = 0.0 grade points

Grades – Class of 2027

Un-Weighted GPA					
Percentile	Top 5%	Top 6-10%	Top 11-25%	Middle 50%	Bottom 25%
GPA Range	3.92-4.0	3.7-3.9	3.3-3.6	2.0-3.3	<2.0

Weighted GPA					
Percentile	Top 5%	Top 6-10%	Top 11-25%	Middle 50%	Bottom 25%
GPA Range	4.5-4.9	4.2-4.5	3.6-4.1	2.0-3.4	<2.0

ACT – Class of 2027

ACT Average					
	Overall	English	Math	Reading	Science
Scaled Score (out of 36)	15.2	14.1	15.6	15.9	16.2

ACT Percentile- Composite					
	99 th	93 rd	88 th	74 th	56 th
Scaled Score (out of 36)	30	23	20	17	15

Accreditation - Cognia

Honors and Advanced Placement

Honors courses in English, Math, Social Studies, Sciences, Engineering, Business, Performing and Visual Arts, and World Languages are offered. Twelve AP classes in English, Calculus, Human Geography, US Government, US History, World History, Art, Physics and Spanish are also offered. These courses are designated as such on the transcript. Due to the prescriptive sequencing within the Montessori curriculum, Montessori students are typically only able to pursue AP Courses in the Natural Sciences, Mathematics, Art and Spanish.

All freshmen core classes are available in Honors as an 'opt in'.

Specialty Programs & Dual Enrollment

Students may receive both high school and community college credit while enrolled in secondary school classes. Courses available are Entrepreneurship, Percussion, Business, Introduction to Leadership/JROTC, Ceramics, English, Science and Math. Selected students from first generation/lower income backgrounds may also receive community college credit from participation in the **Achieving a College Education Program**, which allows students to earn free credits at local community colleges on Saturdays and during the summer. CBHS also has 115 current students (grades 9-12) participating in the **Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)** Program.

Over 500 students enrolled in college credit bearing dual enrollment classes. Dual enrollment is offered in every grade level as of 2024.

Our Career and Technical Education department offers two-year programs in Accounting, Business Operations, Culinary Arts, Early Childhood Education, Engineering, Entrepreneurship and Hospitality Management. Students have access to an internship during the 3rd year in the program. Some programs also offer possible dual enrollment and work-based learning through student-based businesses.

Recent Awards and Recognitions

Graduates have been awarded many scholarships over the past few years including: Questbridge, Gates-Millennium, Hispanic Scholarship Fund, Jack Kent Cooke, Coca-Cola, Dorrance, Armstrong Family Foundation, Arizona Community Foundation, GE Star Award, Toyota Financial Services, Friendly House, vPosse, National Junior College Athletic Association, NCAA, and Ronald McDonald House Charities awards. DECA students competed in state competition with 23 qualifying for nationals and this same distinguished group won 1st place out of 85 teams in the Junior Achievement Stock Market Challenge.

Student Leadership and Service

Camelback offers over 60 clubs on campus, representing a diverse range of student interest and opportunities for leadership. Some notable clubs to highlight include **Link Crew**, **JROTC**, **Montessori Club**, **Student Government**, and **National Honors Society**. All of these clubs have required service components and campus leadership frequently reach out to these clubs for supporting large community events, including Open House, Parent Nights, and recruitment.

Phoenix Union High School District

Phoenix Union High School District (PXU) is the largest high school district in the state with 12 comprehensive campuses, 8 small schools, 3 micro-schools, and one online school. PXU is expanding in both the portfolio of schools offered and in student enrollment with over 23,000 students. PXU is the most ethnically diverse district in Arizona with over 60 languages spoken.

District/School Graduation Requirements

	2013 & on
English	4
Fine Art or CTE	1
Mathematics	4
Biology	1
Science Lab	2
Social Science	3
Health	.5
Electives*	6.5
TOTAL	22 Credits

Post-secondary Plans:

Since the COVID-19 pandemic, CBHS graduates have experienced a drop in college enrollment in the fall following high school graduation, falling from a high of 51% in 2019.

Class of 2025 Graduates who entered post-secondary education immediately after high school– 40%

- 4-year Institutions: 25%
- Out-of-State Institutions: 5%
- 2-Year Community College: 16%

Montessori Class of 2025 Graduates who enter post-secondary education– 74%

- 4-year Institutions: 58%
- Out-of-State Institutions: 26%
- 2-Year Community College: 16%

College Scholarships 2026: \$22,496,328

Most Common Institutions for Post-Secondary Enrollment (in ranked order)

Arizona State University (4-year), Phoenix College (2-year), Gateway Community College (2-year), Grand Canyon University (4-year), Northern Arizona University (4-year).

Other College Acceptances

Air Force Academy	New Mexico State University
Amherst College	New York Institute of Technology
Bates College	Northern Arizona University
Benedictine University	Stanford University
Bowdoin College	Stetson University
Brown University	St. Mary's University-San Antonio
Carrington College	University of Arizona
Colgate University	University of California – Berkeley
Coast Guard Academy	University of California – Los Angeles
Creighton University	University of California – Santa Cruz
Dixie State University	University of Great Falls
Durham University, UK	University of Illinois at Chicago
Eastern Arizona College	University of Notre Dame
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	University of Rochester
Georgetown University	Wartburg College
Grand Canyon University	Washington University in St. Louis
Hamline University	Webster University
Harvard University	Wellesly College
Hawaii Pacific University	Yale University
Hofstra University	
King's College	
Pomona College	
Purdue University	
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	