



# ***School Profile***

## ***2015-2016***

**R**egents Academy is a private classical Christian school serving the Nacogdoches community in East Texas. We are non-denominational and have approximately 150 students in grades PreK-12. Regents provides a rigorous academic program in the Western tradition of college preparatory schools.

Our goal is to graduate students with:

- Exceptional virtue and maturity
- Well-rounded competence
- Sound reason and sound faith
- Exposure to great books
- A masterful command of language
- A well-established aesthetic

### ***Mission Statement***

Regents Academy, as a Christian ministry to families, provides a Christian and classical education that trains students to view all areas of life and faith from a Christian worldview and equips students to lead lives of virtue, display mature character, love learning, and serve the Triune God.

#### ***Our Classical Approach***

- ❖ A Great Books humanities program called the Omnibus, integrating history, literature, writing, philosophy, and theology.
- ❖ Rigorous science, math, and logic instruction.
- ❖ Rhetoric training in writing, speaking, apologetics, and thesis defense.
- ❖ Latin and Spanish required.
- ❖ 1-2 hours of nightly homework for the average student.
- ❖ Well-rounded athletic and extracurricular programs.

#### ***School Facts***

- ❖ Fully accredited by the Texas Association of Accredited Private Schools (TAAPS), member of TEPSAC
- ❖ Member of the Association of Classical Christian Schools (ACCS)
- ❖ Student count: PreK-12, 158; 6 graduates in 2015-16
- ❖ Year founded: 2001
- ❖ Governance: 501(c)(3) Nonprofit Organization under a 6-member Board of Directors
- ❖ Web address: [www.regentsacademy.com](http://www.regentsacademy.com)
- ❖ Weblog: [blog.regentsacademy.com](http://blog.regentsacademy.com)

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#### **SAT Averages:**

	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Math</b>	<b>Writing</b>
<b>2009-2010</b>	550	620	590
<b>2010-2011</b>	700	590	590
<b>2011-2012</b>	610	630	590
<b>2012-2013</b>	560	540	490
<b>2013-2014</b>	760	660	660
<b>2014-2015</b>	600	560	570

### ***Scholarships***

Regents Academy graduates in 2008-2014 have received scholarships from the U.S. Air Force Academy, the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, Washington and Lee University, Stephen F. Austin State University, Texas A&M, Baylor, New Saint Andrews College (Idaho), the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, LeTourneau University, and Belhaven University.

## High School Faculty

Headmaster/Humanities: David Bryant, MDiv  
 Humanities: Roy Bradley, BA; Lance Vermillion, BA  
     David Henry, BA  
 Math and Science: Shannon Henry, BS;  
     Melissa Griner, BS  
 Latin: Lara Sowell  
 Music/Choir: Carolyn Andrews, BA, JD  
 Art/Drama: Rebecca Higdon, MA

## Graduation Requirements

Omnibus (History, Lit, Writing, Theology)	12
Mathematics (Geo/Alg II-PreCal/Cal)	4
Science (Bio, ASPC, Chem, Physics)	4
Foreign Language (Latin, Spanish)	3
Rhetoric I & II (incl. Senior Thesis)	2
Christian Apologetics	1
Logic	1
Government/Economics	1.5
Physical Education	2
Art	2
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>32.5</b>

Add'l Credits: Choir/Drama/Dual Enrollment

## Grading Scale

%	Grade	Grade Pt.
100-90	A	4.0
89-80	B	3.0
79-70	C	2.0
69-0	F	0.0

*Yearly Grade Calculations:* Yearly grades are calculated with semester grades counting 40% each and semester exams counting 20% each. Exam grades are not included on the transcript, but semester grades and final yearly grades are included.

*GPA Calculation:* GPA is based on a 4 point system. GPA is weighted based upon the number of credits awarded for each class (similar to college systems).

*Class Rank:* Due to selective enrollment and small class sizes, class rank is not meaningful. Our 2015 graduating class has 5 students.

## Academic Program

	<i>English/Lit (Omnibus)</i>	<i>History (Omnibus)</i>	<i>Math</i>	<i>Language</i>	<i>Science</i>
<i>Freshman Year</i>	English I: Written documents, verbal/written arguments, literature	Modernity I: US History; Gov't/Econ	Geometry or Algebra II	Latin IV (Pre-req's: Latin I, II, III)	Biology (Gr. 7-8: Life, Earth Science)
<i>Sophomore Year</i>	English II: Written documents, verbal/written arguments, literature. Christian Apologetics	Antiquity II: World History and Geography	Algebra II or Advanced Math/Trigonometry	Spanish I	Accelerated Studies in Physics and Chemistry (ASPC)
<i>Junior Year</i>	English III: Written documents, verbal/written arguments, literature. Rhetoric I incl. Jr. Thesis	Christendom II: European History and Geography	Advanced Math/Trigonometry or Pre-Calculus	Spanish II	Chemistry
<i>Senior Year</i>	English IV: Written documents, verbal/written arguments, literature. Rhetoric II incl. Sr. Thesis	Modernity II: 19 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> C. History	Pre-Calculus or Calculus	Dual Credit Course option	Physics
<i>Each Year</i>	Fine Arts Electives: Choral Music, Art (Drawing and Mixed Media), Drama Physical Education: Team Sports, Fitness, Archery				

## ***Extracurricular Program***

### *Athletics*

High school students, both boys and girls, participate in several sports through the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS): Soccer, Cross Country, Basketball, and Track and Field.

### *Clubs and Activities*

Students may participate in the Key Club, TAPPS Speech and Academic Team, TAPPS Music/Instrumental, TAPPS Art, or Regents Orchestra Program.

### *Service Opportunities*

All Regents Academy students participate in a yearly spring service project called the BIG Serve, in which students serve the community in various projects. Also, high school students tutor and mentor elementary students and serve independently in the community in a wide array of capacities.

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## ***Student Accomplishments***

### *Musical Accomplishments*

All-Region Orchestra, All-State Orchestra, All-State Orchestra Concertmaster, Piney Woods Youth Orchestra, Orchestra of the Pines, Stephen F. Austin State University Piano Solo Festival winner, Senior Recitals.

### *Academic Accomplishments*

National Latin Exam Summa Cum Laude Award, National Merit Scholarship Program Commended Students, TAPPS Speech and Academic District and State Champions, TAPPS Art State Competition Qualifiers, TAPPS Music State.

### *Contests and Honors*

Rotary Youth Leadership Award Conferences, Colonial Dames Essay Contest, VFW Voice of Democracy Contest, Texas Farm Bureau Free Enterprise Speech Contest, Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Regional Award.

### *Athletic Accomplishments*

TAPPS All-Region Soccer Team, TAPPS All-Region Boys and Girls Basketball Team, TAPPS All-State Track and Field, TAPPS Cross Country State Champion.

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## ***The Omnibus***

### *Explanation*

Our core humanities program is called the Omnibus, a Great Books course that integrates history, literature, writing, and theology. The course consumes 2+ periods of the student's day for all 4 years of high school and spans ancient, medieval, and modern time periods. The course is taught at or above honors level course work and emphasizes analytical thinking, interpretation of written texts, and written and oral expression. All students must complete this core curriculum. In addition to core readings, students also read classics and high readings from an approved list.

### *Selected Readings*

- ❖ *Freshman Year/Modernity I:* The Bible, Of Plymouth Plantation, The Westminster Confession of Faith, The Social Contract, Foundational American Documents (Declaration of Independence, U.S. Constitution, Bill of Rights, etc.), A Tale of Two Cities, Reflections on the Revolution in France by Burke, Uncle Tom's Cabin, Selected Slave Narratives, Speeches of Lincoln, The Communist Manifesto, Huckleberry Finn.
- ❖ *Sophomore Year/Antiquity II:* The Bible, The Gilgamesh Epic, The Iliad, The Peloponnesian War by Thucydides, The Bacchae, The Republic, Nicomachean Ethics, Selected Works of Cicero, The Annals of Imperial Rome, Great Expectations, The Count of Monte Cristo, How Should We Then Live?
- ❖ *Junior Year/Christendom II:* The Bible, City of God by St. Augustine, The Consolation of Philosophy by Boethius, The Discarded Image by C.S. Lewis, The Divine Comedy, The Prince, The Faerie Queene, Paradise Lost, Frankenstein, Crime and Punishment, Lord of the Flies, The Scarlet Letter, The Red Badge of Courage.
- ❖ *Senior Year/Modernity II:* The Bible, Longitude by Dava Sobel, Les Misérables, Walden, Heart of Darkness, The Great Gatsby, The Waste Land, 1984, Animal Farm, Night by Wiesel, Of Mice and Men, Romantic poetry by Keats, Shelley, Wordsworth, etc., Brave New World, Anna Karenina, Amusing Ourselves to Death.



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