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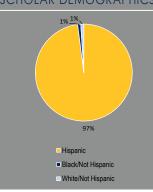
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#### 441856

#### SCHOLAR DEMOGRAPHICS



# ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Uplift Williams Preparatory is a tuition-free, public charter school managed by the Uplift Education charter school network. Uplift Williams offers a college-preparatory education with a global perspective to scholars in Dallas. As a Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) school, Uplift Williams also offers scholars unique opportunities for learning in these fields through a partnership with UT Southwestern Medical Center.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

Creativity, activity, service (CAS) is a key component of the IB Diploma Programme core. With its holistic approach, CAS is designed to strengthen and extend scholars' personal and interpersonal learning through experiences. CAS formally begins at the start of 11th grade and continues regularly for at least 18 months with a reasonable balance between creativity, activity and service. This often takes form in scholars participating in extra-curricular activities and community service in order to fulfill the requirements of CAS.

### **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Uplift Williams offers 25 different extracurricular opportunities. These include organizations such as HOSA, Robotics, Video Game Club, Band, Art Club, SIGUE, National Honor Society, Debate Club, Student Council, WOW, Yearbook Club, Student Ambassadors, SILT, SHPE, Falcon Talented Youth, EF Tours, and Falcon Store Volunteers, in addition to the following UIL-4A Varsity athletic programs: Basketball (M/W), Cross Country (M/W), Track and Field (M/W), Soccer (M/W), Volleyball (W), and Cheerleading (Co-Ed).

## CURRICULUM AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Academic Rigor: Uplift Williams is committed to exposing all scholars to a rigorous college preparatory curriculum. The International Baccalaureate was introduced to encourage students to be internationally minded and academically well-rounded. As an IB continuum school, Uplift Williams is authorized to offer both the Middle Years Programme (MYP) for grades 6-10 and the Diploma Programme (DP) for grades 11-12. Uplift is a DP For ALL network and is committed to making sure that all scholars, regardless of their background or educational need, have access to participate in the Diploma Programme. Our scholars are also required to participate in the DP Core by taking a Theory of Knowledge course, completing a Creativity, Activity, and Service project and the Extended Essay.

Course Schedule: Uplift scholars accrue credits by semester, but most courses are year-long. Traditionally, classes rotate on an A/B block schedule with five days of four 90-minute periods. At the start of the 2023-2024 academic school year, scholars now attend classes every day for 45 minutes. Every two weeks, scholars have a 90-minute rotation with each class. Four days a week, the schedule also includes RISE Time (Advisory) and enrichment/intervention.

**Graduation Requirements:** Scholars must attempt the full Foundation High School Program, at least one Endorsement and the Distinguished Level of Achievement (26+ credits). Any scholar graduating on the Foundation Only program (22 credits) requires additional approval. Scholars must complete the following:

English (4) Math (4) Humanities (4) Science (4) Language other than English (2) Fine Arts (1) Physical Education (1) Electives\* (7)
\*Includes Road to College and Career courses, Career and Technology courses and additional core courses

# GRADING SYSTEM

Letter Grade	Numeric Value	GPA Points
A+	100-97	4.0
A	96-93	4.0
A-	92-90	3.7
B+	89-87	3.3
В	86-83	3.0
B-	82-80	2.7
<b>C</b> +	79-77	2.3
C	76-73	2.0
<b>C</b> -	72-70	1.7
F	<69	0.0

- Dual Credit courses receive an extra 0.5 points for C- and above in calculating the weighted GPA.
- AP/DP courses receive an extra 1.0 points for C- and above in calculating the weighted GPA.
- Credit recovery is mandatory for all failed courses required for graduation, all attempts are included on the transcript and calculated into the GPA.
- Pass/Fail, Local Credit, HS credit earned in Middle School, and courses for which the scholar received prior credit, are not included in the GPA.
- · It is Uplift Education's policy not to rank scholars.
- Uplift Education uses a criterion-based approach to grading. All major grades are meant to reflect
  the scholar's skills and knowledge using a variety of summative and formative assessment tools.
  Classroom grading procedures are directly related to clear criteria and standards that show evidence
  of scholar mastery. Grades for behaviors such as effort and participation are considered minor
  grades and are either not calculated in the overall grade or calculated as a small percentage, no
  more than 20%.

#### ADVANCED COURSES

- All courses in grades 6-10 are taught as part of the IB Middle Years Programme unless otherwise noted.
- All scholars in grades 11-12 are required to participate in some component of the IB Diploma Programme.
- · Enrollment in DP courses is contingent upon completion of prerequisites, departmental approval, assessment data, grades and teacher recommendation.

### ADVANCED COURSES AVAILABLE TO THE CLASS OF 2026

Audio/Video Production I (IB Film SL & HL; Dual Credit) Audio/Video Production II (IB Film SL & HL; Dual Credit) Computer Programing I (IB Computer Science SL, Dual Credit)

Computer Programming II (IB Computer Science SL, Dual Credit)

Graphic Design & Illustration I (IB Visual Art SL & HL; Dual Credit)

Graphic Design & Illustration II (IB Visual Art SL & HL; Dual Credit)

IB Art, Visual Arts (SL & HL)

IB History of the Americas (SL & HL)

IB Language Studies A, Language and Literature – English (SL & HL)

(SL & HL)

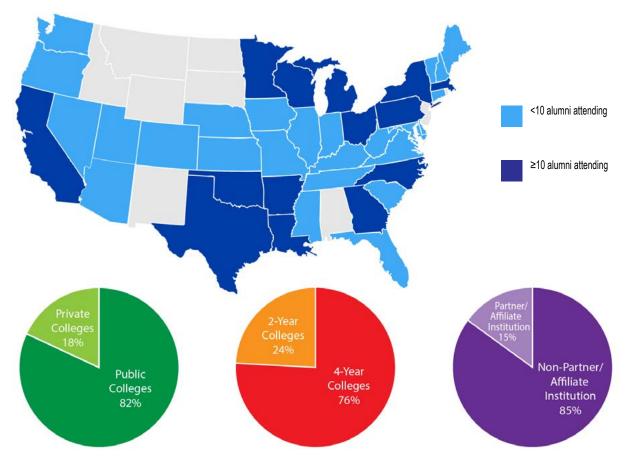
IB Language Studies A, Language and Literature – Spanish
(SL & HL)

IB Language B, Modern Language – Spanish (SL & HL)

IB Mathematics: Applications and Interpretations (SL & HL)

IB Theory of Knowledge

IB Environment Systems and Societies (HL & SL)



# POST GRADUATION DECISIONS FOR UPLIFT ALUMNI



CLASS OF 2026

90 free/reduced lunch

96 first generation

110 seniors

## CLASS OF 2025

151 graduates

**\$40M** in financial aid

100% college acceptance

137 college enrollment

128 free/reduced lunch

146 first generation

100% IB® Diploma Programme participation\*

\* defined as course candidates, those that attempted full DP, and those that were successful

## BECOME A PARTNER

Uplift Education is dedicated to providing equitable access to college and post-secondary education pathways. To learn more about how to become a Partner school with Uplift Education, contact Rose Zei at kzei@uplifteducation.org.

