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## Academy for Advanced Academics School Profile 2025-2026

Collegiate High School serving grades 11-12

Enrollment: 137Class of 2025: 60

High School Teacher/Student Ratio: 1:34

| Student<br>Population | Race/Ethnicity  | Federal Free/Reduced<br>Program |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| 138                   | <ul><li>Hispanic: 93.3%</li><li>Black: 1%</li><li>White: 3%</li><li>Asian: 3%</li></ul> | 50%                             |

## **School and Community**

Academy for Advanced Academics (AAA) is a highly acclaimed collegiate high school of excellence, a combined effort between Miami-Dade County Public Schools (MDCPS) and Florida International University. Students attending AAA complete their last two years of high school

Applying during their sophomore year, students accepted to AAA complete their last two years of high school while simultaneously working on their lower division college requirements. The opportunity to take various rigorous courses unavailable in traditional high schools and to accelerate their career path attracts motivated and academically talented students. AAA takes pride in its diverse student population, nurturing learning environment, and commitment in providing all students with a rich and rigorous liberals arts education Academy for Advanced Academics provides a uniquely supportive transition between secondary and post-secondary education.

Academy for Advanced Academics located on the campus Florida International University, is part of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools district, the third largest school district in the United States. Located at the southern end of the Florida peninsula, the reach of AAA stretches over 2,000 square miles of diverse and vibrant communities ranging from rural and suburban to urban cities and municipalities.

Our high school faculty is comprised of dedicated and growth mindsetoriented professionals who understand the value of life-long learning: 76% hold advanced degrees. FIU faculty holds advanced degrees in the discipline in which they teach.

Special Program Note: AAA takes pride in being able to provide students throughout Miami-Dade County access to advanced academics. Many of our students rely on transportation to get to and from school each day. This results in many encountering a long and grueling day of high school and college classes. A typical day at AAA can start at a designated bus stop or train station at 8:00 a.m. and end as late as 10:00 p.m. due to college class schedule or community service commitments.

## **Graduation Requirements**

Graduation from the Academy for Advanced Academics requires 24 credits and 100 hours of community service.

#### **District Grading Scale 4.0**

#### Added Value Bonus Points for Honors/AP/DE

| Honors/AP/DE Courses           |                | AP/DE                       | HONORS       |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| A – Outstanding Progress       | 3.5 - 4.0      | A = 4 + 2 Bonus Points (BP) | A = 4 + 1 BP |
| B – Above Average Progress     | 2.5 - 3.49     | B = 3 + 2 Bonus Points (BP) | B = 3 + 1 BP |
| C – Average Progress           | 1.5 - 2.49     | C = 2 + 1 Bonus Points (BP) | C = 2 + 1 BP |
| D – Lowest Acceptable Progress | 1.0 – 1.49     |                             |              |
| F – Failure                    | 0.99 and below |                             |              |

Since AAA is an 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade program, previous student exposure to rigorous curriculum offerings at their previous schools may vary between students. Therefore, student percentile does not accurately capture student rankings. Students at AAA would have ranked in the upper quartile had they chosen to remain in their designated boundary school.

Miami-Dade Public Schools does not rank students.

Calculations for the initial percentiles in class are completed in September of the student's senior year and are based on the high school credits earned to that point. The final percentiles are computed in February of their senior year and includes final grades for the first semester courses and mid-year averages for annual courses.

Special Note: Miami-Dade County Public Schools issue a single official high school transcript for each student, which includes all high school coursework completed, regardless of the schools previously attended. Therefore, all high school courses are reflected on the official Academy for Advanced Academics transcript.

#### Curriculum

- AAA Curriculum: Advanced Placement (AP), Honors and Dual Enrollment Courses
- AP Enrollment Policy: Mandatory
- AP Courses Offered:
  - AP United States History, AP American Government, AP Macroeconomics, AP English Language and Composition, AP English Literature and Composition, AP Precalculus and AP Calculus AB
- College Course Offerings: 500+ (1000-4000 level courses)
- Student College Course Load: Minimum of 3 and maximum of 4-5 college courses per semester
- College Credits Earned Per Year: 24-30
- College Program Focus: 65% STEM Cohort

Note: All science courses are offered through Florida International University.

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

In addition to the clubs available at AAA, AAA Students are afforded the opportunity to join and participate in clubs and organizations from both FIU and sister school School for Advanced Studies (SAS).

AAA currently has active chapters in the following organizations and/or clubs:

- National Honor Society
- English Honor Society
- Student Government Association
- Mu Alpha Theta
- AAA Literary Magazine (Yearbook)
- Med Club

- Key Club
- First Priority
- Fitness Club
- Model UN
- Women of Tomorrow
- Chess Club

Note: The number of clubs available at AAA depends on staff availability and their capacity to sponsor activities. While AAA does not offer athletics, students may participate in sports through their designated home schools.

#### Points of Pride

- 2025 "A" Graded School by Florida Department of Education
- 2025 School of Excellence Florida Department of Education
- College Board AP Platinum Award

### 2025 Advanced Placement Results\*

- AP Exams Administered: 368
  - o AP English Language and Composition
  - AP United States History
  - o AP Precalculus
  - o AP Calculus AB
- AP Passing Rate: 90.7%

- Graduating Class College Credit Report: 100% (formerly Equity & Excellence)
- AP Scholar Designation
  - o 30 Advanced Placement Scholars with Distinction
  - o 21 Advanced Placement Scholars with Honor
  - o 10 Advanced Placement Scholars

## Class of 2025 Accomplishments

- 100% Graduation Rate
- 100% Post-Secondary Acceptance Rate
- 54 Superintendent's Diploma of Distinction Graduates
- \$4.9 Million in Scholarships Awarded
- 1 Questbridge Finalist

- 2 National Merit Commended Students
- 2 National African American Recognition
- 28 National Hispanic Recognition
- 1 Silver Knight Honorable Mention
- Associate in Arts Degrees Conferred: 83%

## School, District, State and National SAT Mean Scores Class of 2025

| SAT             | EBRW | Mathematics |
|-----------------|------|-------------|
| AAA             | 659  | 656         |
| M-DCPS District | 490  | 461         |
| Florida         | 492  | 461         |
| Nation          | 494  | 471         |

## Class of 2025 Post-Secondary Plans

Binghamton University
Case Western Reserve University
Colorado College
Colorado State University
DePaul University
Duke University
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida International University
Florida Polytechnic University

Florida State University George Mason University George Washington University Loyola University Maryland Macalester College MIT

North Carolina State University Northeastern University Nova Southeastern University Penn State University Pepperdine University
University of Tampa
Truman State University
UC Santa Cruz
University of Central Florida
University of Chicago
University of Colorado
University of Delaware
University of Florida
University of Georgia

University of Illinois at Chicago
University of Maryland
University of Miami
University of Minnesota
UNC at Asheville
UNC at Charlotte
University of North Florida
University of South Florida
University of Washington
Virginia Polytechnic Institute

100% Post-Secondary Student Enrollment

