

# HMONG COLLEGE PREP ACADEMY

## School Profile

### CEEB CODE: 241582

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Member: Celebration School, Minnesota Association of Charter Schools;  
Minnesota Department of Education, MACAC, NACAC  
Authorizer: Novation Education Opportunities  
Founded: 2004; Grades K through 12; Enrollment: 2593 (9-12: 837)  
Class of 2025: 188

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**MISSION:** Hmong College Prep Academy's mission is to provide the best integrated, challenging, and well-rounded educational experience to students in grades K-12. HCPA will accomplish its mission at all grade levels by advancing its core values: Warrior Way (growth mindset), Relationships & Connections; Commitment to Excellence, College & Career preparation, and Global Perspective.

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# Curriculum

## Arts (1 year required/3 credits)

Art Foundations  
Chamber Choir  
Concert Choir  
Drawing  
Piano Class  
Music Creation  
General Music  
Honors Band  
Concert Band  
Concert Doublers  
Symphonic Band  
Intro to Theatre  
Production  
AP Music Theory  
AP Art and Design

## College Prep (4 years required/4 credits)

### English (4 years required/12 credits)

English 9/ English 9 Honors  
English 10/ English 10 Honors  
English 11/ English 11 Honors  
English 12  
College Composition/CIS English  
CIS Literature  
ELL 2 English  
Functional English  
Language Essentials  
Intermediate English  
Graphic Novel  
Yearbook

### Mathematics (up to Algebra 2 or equivalent) (3 years required/9 credits)

Applied Math  
Functional Math  
Intermediate Math  
Math Essentials  
HS Algebra I  
HS Algebra II  
CIS College Algebra  
Geometry/Geometry Honors  
Pre-Calculus  
Pre-Calculus Acc.  
AP Pre-Calculus  
AP Calculus AB  
AP Statistics  
Computer Application  
AP Computer Science Principals  
AP Computer Science Discoveries  
Personal Finance  
Entrepreneurship

## Physical Education (1 semester/1.5 credits)

Physical Education  
Advanced Physical Education

## Health (1 semester/1.5 credits)

Health 9

## Science (1 year must be Biology)

### (3 years required/9 credits)

Earth and Space Science  
Earth and Space Science Honors  
ELL Science 1, 2  
Science Foundations  
Biology/Biology Honors  
AP Biology  
Applied Chemistry  
Chemistry/Chemistry Honors  
AP Chemistry  
Physics  
PLTW Human Body Systems  
AP Physics 1  
CIS Human Physiology  
AP Environmental Science

## Social Studies (4 years required/12 credits)

ELL Social Studies 1, 2  
World Geo/Ancient History  
World Geo/Ancient History Honors  
Pre-AP World History/Geo  
World History  
U.S. History  
AP U.S. History  
AP European History  
Economics  
Government  
Intro to Sociology  
Broadcasting  
Journalism

## World Language (2 years required/6 credits)

Chinese I, II  
CIS Chinese  
Hmong Language I, II, III  
Hmong Language III Honors

10 AP'S Available

3 CIS Available

# GRADING

❖ Credits and final grades are awarded at the end of each semester

❖ Letter grades and a 4-point scale are used to determine GPA

A (90-100)	Exceptional
B (80-89)	Above Average
C (70-79)	Average
D (60-69)	Below Average
F (Below 60)	Unsatisfactory

## Grading During Distance Learning

❖ Student grading system during the Spring of 2020 and the school year of 2020-2021 were as follows:

Letter Grades	A through C-
Passing Grade (P)	D+ through D-
No Grade (NG)	F

## Minnesota State Tests

❖ Minnesota State Testing was optional for families during the 2020-2021 school year due to DL. Most parents opted out of the testing option

❖ HCPA Students do not have access to test prep. Seniors were allowed to take the ACT in March of 2024 at HCPA. Mean ACT composite is 17. Highest ACT score for 2024 graduates was 25. Highest ever ACT score was 31.

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Honors</u>	<u>AP/CIS/PSEO</u>
A	4	4.333	5
A-	3.667	4	4.667
B+	3.333	3.667	4.333
B	3	3.333	4
B-	2.667	3	3.667
C+	2.333	2.667	3.333
C	2	2.333	3
C-	1.66	2	2.667
D+	1.333	1.667	2.333
D	1	1.333	2
D-	0.667	1	1.667
F	0	0	0

## Covid Impact/Community

**Academic:** HCPA transitioned to synchronous distance learning in March 2020 and continued through the 2020-2021 School year. Some students stayed on DL through the Fall of 2021. Devices and internet access needed to be provided to a majority of students, resulting in some delays and disruptions to instruction. However, by mid-September, students had access to the same curriculum, albeit in an online format. Internet for some students was difficult due to no internet access. Many upper school students helped siblings with distance learning or went to work while parents/guardians were unemployed.

**Community:** Since March of 2020, COVID-19 has had a heavy financial impact on our HCPA families, and many were directly affected by illness or even deaths. In the wake of George Floyd's killing, protests and riots occurred in our families' neighborhoods, causing physical, financial, and emotional hardships.

Almost all our high school students take the bus daily and return home to take care of family obligations. Families in our community have multi-generational households.

# COLLEGE ADMISSIONS AND MATRICULATIONS 2021-2024

*HCPA students were admitted to the following colleges, and enrolled in colleges marked in **Bold***

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Alexandria Technical & Community College

**Anoka Technical College**

**Anoka-Ramsey Community College**

**Augsburg University**

Augustana College

Augustana University

Aveda Arts & Sciences Institute Minneapolis

Beacon College

**Bemidji State University**

**Bethany Lutheran College**

**Bethel University (MN)**

Bethel University - Indiana

Birmingham-Southern College

**Briar Cliff University**

Butler University

Cabrini University

California Lutheran University

Carleton College

Carroll University

Carthage College

Central College

Central Lakes College

**Century College**

Chicago State University

**Coe College**

**College of Saint Benedict**

University of Colorado Boulder

University of Colorado Colorado Springs

Colorado Mesa University

Colorado School of Mines

**Columbia College Chicago**

**Concordia College at Moorhead**

Concordia University-Irvine

**Concordia University-Saint Paul**

Cornell College

Creighton University

Daemen University

**Dakota County Technical College**

Dallas Baptist University

University of Denver

DePaul University

**Dougherty Family College at U of St. Thomas**

Drake University

Drexel University

**Dunwoody College of Technology**

Eastern Michigan University

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Gustavus Adolphus College

**Hamline University**

Hartwick College

**Hennepin Technical College**

**Herzing University - Minneapolis**

Hobart and William Smith

University of Idaho

**Inver Hills Community College**

**Iowa State University**

University of Iowa

John Carroll University

Kalamazoo College

Kent State University at Kent

Lake Superior College

Lasell University

Lawrence University

Lewis University

Loras College

Loyola Marymount University

Loyola University Chicago

Luther College

**Macalester College**

Madonna University

**Marine Corps Institute**

Marquette University

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health

Mercy University

**Metropolitan State University**

Miami University-Oxford

Michigan State University

**Michigan Technological University**

Milwaukee School of Engineering

**Minneapolis Community and Technical College**

**Minneapolis College of Art and Design**

**Minnesota School of Cosmetology**

Minnesota State College Southeast

**Minnesota State University-Mankato**

Minnesota State University Moorhead

**University of Minnesota-Crookston**

**University of Minnesota-Duluth**

University of Minnesota-Morris

**University of Minnesota-Rochester**

**University of Minnesota-Twin Cities**

Montana State University

**Mount Mary University**

Mount Mercy University

Mount Saint Mary's University

National University

**University of Nebraska-Lincoln**

University of Nevada-Las Vegas

New Jersey City University

NewU University

**Normandale Community College**

**North Dakota State College of Science**

North Dakota State University

University of North Dakota

**University of North Florida**

**North Hennepin Community College**

North Park University

Northern Arizona University

Northern Michigan University

Northland College

Pacific Lutheran University

University of the Pacific

Paul Quinn College

Pennsylvania State University-Penn State

Pepperdine University

Pine Technical & Community College

University of Pittsburgh-Pittsburgh Campus

Portland State University

Purdue University-Main Campus

Queens University of Charlotte

**Rasmussen College Lake Elmo / Woodbury**

Ridgewater College

Ripon College

Rochester Community and Technical College

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

**Saint John's University**

Saint Mary's University of Minnesota

**Saint Paul College**

Saint Xavier University

University of San Francisco

University of the Sciences

Seattle University

University of Sioux Falls

South Dakota School of Mines and Technology

**South Dakota State University**

University of South Dakota

**Southwest Minnesota State University**

**St Catherine University**

**Saint Cloud State University**

St Cloud Technical and Community College

Saint Norbert College

**St Olaf College**

**Stanford University**

Stony Brook University

**The College of Saint Scholastica**

**University of St Thomas**

**Tufts University**

University of Tulsa

University of Colorado Denver

**University of Northwestern-St Paul**

Valparaiso University

Viterbo University

Wartburg College

Washington University in St Louis

Wingate University

**Winona State University**

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

**University of Wisconsin-Green Bay**

**University of Wisconsin-Madison**

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh

**University of Wisconsin-River Falls**

University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

**University of Wisconsin-Stout**

University of Wisconsin-Superior

University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Xavier University