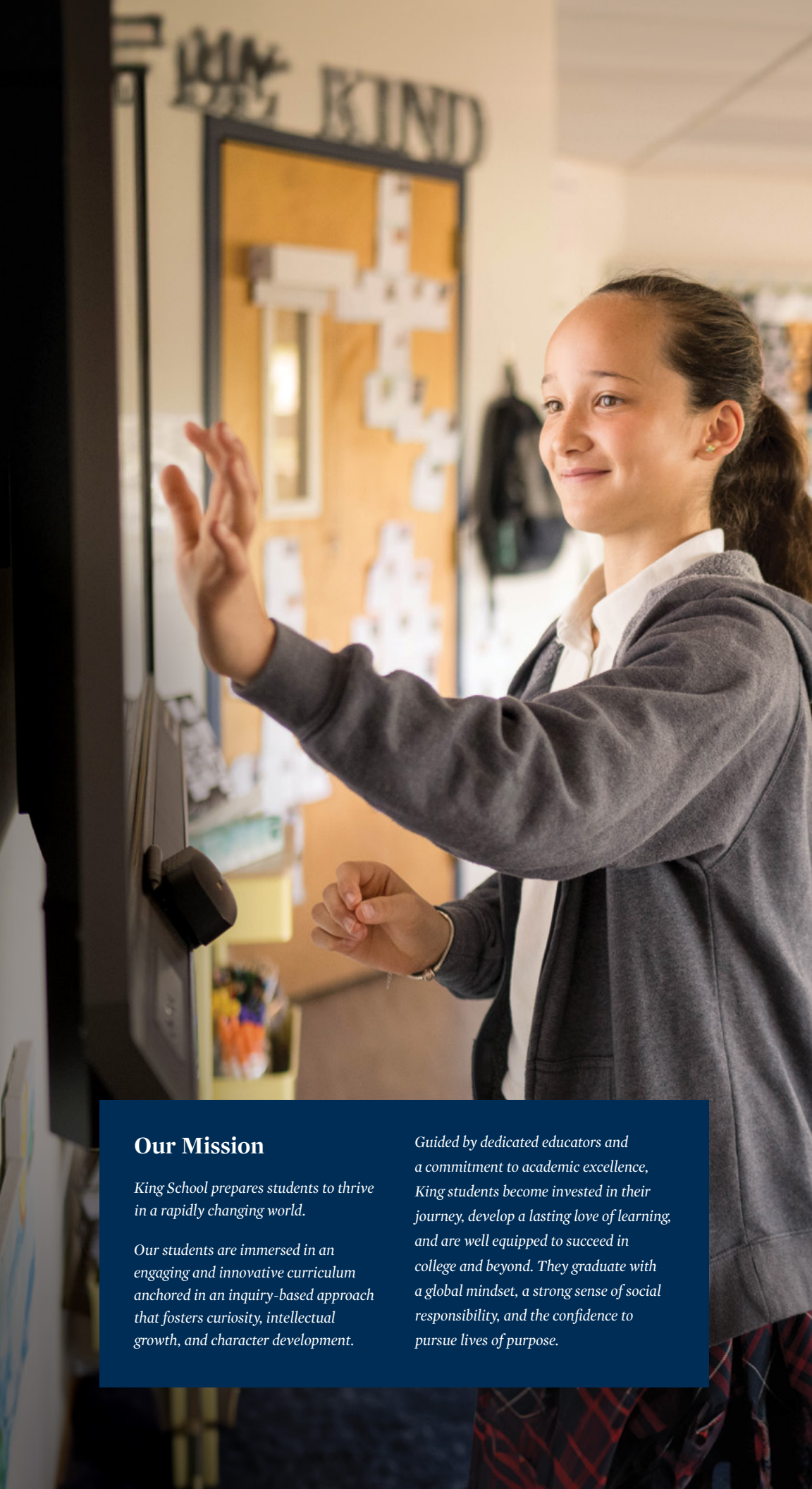


KING



WELCOME TO KING SCHOOL

The Power of Wonder, The Courage to Lead

We're home to wonderers, inventors, explorers, and problem-solvers. The students who ask "Why?" and seek their own answers. We are King School.

At King, we believe that every child deserves the opportunity to explore talents, develop character, and become a confident, compassionate, and engaged citizen. Our community is built on a foundation of inspiring teaching, innovative programs, and a nurturing environment.

King is the place for an education full of wonder, where teachers cultivate curiosity and create moments of discovery for learners in PreK-12. Here, students learn and live with purpose.

Our Mission

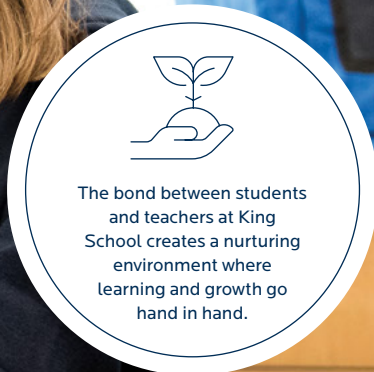
King School prepares students to thrive in a rapidly changing world.

Our students are immersed in an engaging and innovative curriculum anchored in an inquiry-based approach that fosters curiosity, intellectual growth, and character development.

Guided by dedicated educators and a commitment to academic excellence, King students become invested in their journey, develop a lasting love of learning, and are well equipped to succeed in college and beyond. They graduate with a global mindset, a strong sense of social responsibility, and the confidence to pursue lives of purpose.

At King, the smartest person in the room is not the one with all the answers but the one with all the questions.





ACADEMIC PHILOSOPHY

What Sets Our Education Apart

Children inherently ask a lot of questions — and that’s a good thing. At King School, wonder is the foundation for teaching and learning. We welcome each student’s curiosity, nurturing that spirit to fuel meaningful, engaging learning at every level.

INQUIRY-BASED LEARNING

King students collaborate, explore, think critically, and are challenged to apply their knowledge. Here’s why this pedagogy matters: An inquiry-based approach gives students agency in their education, making for learning that sticks. This deeply engaging style of learning sets students up for their post-secondary goals. Just as important, it helps them to succeed when they get there — leading to a purposeful life.

A GLOBAL VIEWPOINT

Learning occurs in the classroom and far beyond our campus. Through an expansive, interdisciplinary curriculum, students develop their understanding of the world, gaining the global competencies they’ll need to thrive in this interconnected world.

A TIGHT-KNIT COMMUNITY

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging at King School are integrated into every area of school life. Here, individual and collective accomplishments go hand in hand; students learn, grow, and achieve as they cheer each other on.


Students at King also learn the importance of civic engagement through the King Cares service learning program, which brings together students, families, faculty, and staff to positively impact their communities.

Ensuring that every member of the community enjoys a sense of belonging is paramount to the school’s mission and aligned with our virtues of integrity, kindness, perseverance, and respect.




Grade 2 students explore geometry through global art and architecture.




 In Switzerland, building on classroom studies in history and science, upper school students connect with physicists and see groundbreaking technology.



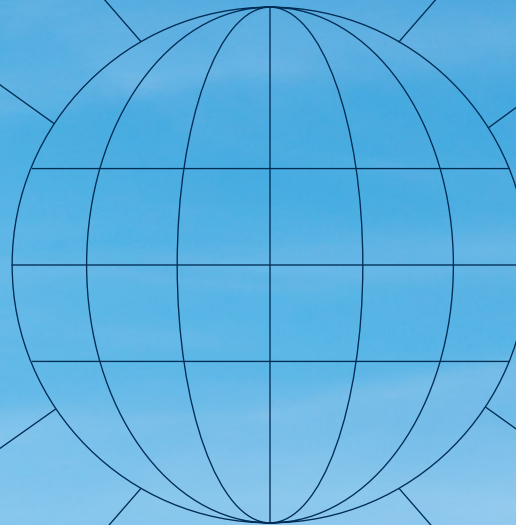
 King School is a partner school with Global Citizens Initiative (GCI). Many King students have participated in the yearlong GCI fellowship since 2015.



 Middle school students partner with the Greenwich Japanese School to build community and celebrate cultural traditions.


Wondering Minds Go Further

At King School, students develop into responsible global citizens. Our global education program offers learners in Grades PreK through 12 opportunities to discover the world – and the difference they could make in it.



 In Amsterdam, Paris, and Venice, upper school students immerse themselves in global art and artistic expression through time.




 In Spain, upper school students study water's influence on energy, agriculture, and transportation.




King's Global Fair brings the world to King and celebrates diversity within the school community. Families from near and far showcase their cultures, providing delicious food and an opportunity to bring everyone together.



 In Costa Rica, students entering Grade 9 explore the question, "Where am I needed in my community?" through service-based learning.



 In a Model UN simulation, Grade 8 history students represent countries around the world, seeking solutions to complex problems together.



WELCOME TO LOWER SCHOOL

The Power of Curiosity

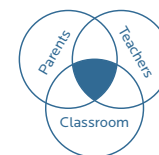
Every stage of learning starts with children asking questions about our world; questions lead to meaningful, lasting knowledge. King’s dynamic Prekindergarten and Kindergarten programs are centered on student-led inquiry. Driven by their own curiosity, students build strong foundations as readers, writers, scientists, mathematicians, artists, and, ultimately, changemakers.

OUR EARLY CHILDHOOD APPROACH

Starting at age 3, King’s youngest students explore the world around them with an approach to teaching and learning inspired by the Reggio-Emilia methodology. Each day follows children’s wonderings with guidance from caring teachers. Through projects and inquiry, the Reggio-inspired program is a natural way for curious minds to forge new connections.

LEARNING BY DOING

Hands-on experiences are at the center when introducing basic concepts to young learners. Through project work, students develop early reading and language skills. With fun and intentional activities like pattern blocks, students learn math. In science, children explore nature and make observations and predictions, feeding their sense of curiosity.



Our Reggio Emilia-inspired program considers three “teachers” for each child: the parents, the teachers, and the classroom environment.



After collecting sticks and acorns on a nature walk, Prekindergarten students wondered if the insect they found was a scorpion. To find the answer, the class researched insects and learned how to identify different species. (It was not a scorpion!)



Zerai

Grade: 5

Hometown: Stamford

Interests: Lego
Robotics, Mathletes,
Piano, Global Studies

Favorite part of King School: Homecoming!

“Our supportive teachers and classmates are always encouraging me to learn, grow, and have fun! I really love science class because I like to understand the forces of nature and how the world works. And in science class, I get to do this using fun, hands-on projects.”

Young Minds, Big Discoveries

At King, we embrace open minds and celebrate courageous thinking. We believe children are never too young to make a difference, and we know that no two children are alike. King teachers know all of their students well, tapping into their interests, supporting their passions, and challenging them as they build proficiency in reading, writing, math, social studies, science, and world languages.

GRADES 1-5

In the elementary grades, young scholars continue to find power in curiosity. Learning is interactive, hands-on, and project-based, spurring self-discovery and inspiring confidence as students master foundational skills such as literacy and numeracy. By Grade 5, students are solidly rooted, prepared for success in middle school and beyond.



Stamford Mayor Caroline Simmons visits the first grade class to talk about her duties and responsibilities as an elected official.

“HOW STAMFORD WORKS”

In their King School journey, students develop into responsible global citizens, gaining an understanding of the impact they have on the world. They begin this journey in Grade 1 by exploring “How Stamford Works.” Students discover the community outside the school walls by meeting with city officials, studying native wildlife, and experiencing diverse music, art, and food.



The Makerspace is a lively laboratory for exploration. All lower school students spend time here, building models and prototypes, stretching their thinking, and developing ideas.

Physical Education

Lower school physical education is built around health, wellness, creativity, and movement. In each lower school grade, students practice sportsmanship and develop confidence.

Students in PreK-Grade 2 emphasize free exploration, body awareness, and motor skills.

In Grades 3–4, students learn about exercise routines and setting goals, and are introduced to sports and the importance of good sportsmanship.

Grade 5 takes a deeper dive into physical fitness and the connection between healthy choices and wellness. Students begin to experience a range of sports.



Grade 5 students learn the foundational skills for sports such as baseball, softball, lacrosse, basketball, pickleball, soccer, cricket, tennis, volleyball, and yoga.



Arts

Our arts program lays the groundwork for a lifetime of creativity, artistic exploration, and expression.

Students are introduced to music beginning in PreK and play instruments in every grade.

By Grade 4, students are ready for string instruments, band, and choir. In Grade 5, all students participate in the lower school musical.

In Art and Design, students work with various mediums, delve into different cultures, and build essential skills, with both teacher-directed projects and independent creative time. They learn the principles of design and learn to let their imaginations run free.



The King School community comes together throughout the year for concerts and performances.



Community

There's a strong sense of community in the Lower School, built intentionally in many ways.

Lower school students gather together for weekly assemblies.

The Class Buddies program, a pairing of younger and older students, builds friendships across grades.

Students in Grades 4 and 5 can participate in Student Council to share ideas, interests, and concerns with teachers.

The Balance Blocks program embeds King virtues like kindness and respect into the curriculum for young students.

King School offers supportive programming to guide the transition from Grade 5 to middle school.



Our lower school students look forward to Homecoming Weekend's bounce houses, caricaturists, balloon artists, and rooting for the Vikings at upper school athletic competitions.





Carolina

Grade: 7

Hometown: Riverside

Interests: Fashion Club, Debate Club, Theater, Volleyball, Tennis, Dance

Favorite part of King School: Hands-on learning

"New students should come to King because whether it's your first day, or your fifth year, everyone will always be welcomed with kindness. The kind and supportive teachers are always there for you, and are always very helpful."

WELCOME TO MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Power of Discovery

King middle school students learn about themselves and about the complexities of the world. From American literature to singing in the choir to building robots in the Innovation Lab, there's room for options on every student's schedule.



How will robotics shape the future? In Grade 7, students learn to program LEGO NXT robots and work collaboratively on challenges.

GO BROAD TO DIG IN

Every middle school student pursues a varied and challenging course of study across the disciplines and through course placement in math and world languages.

Young scholars broaden their scope of study by pursuing courses in computer science, life skills, and the arts.

GET R.E.A.D.Y.

Students in Grade 8 tackle independent research projects on a topic of their choice, known as a R.E.A.D.Y. Project (short for Research, Experience, Action, Designed by You). Past topics included the effect of genetics and ethnicity on health to the environmental impact of candles.

20+

Middle school students actively participate in our more than twenty clubs.

In the Middle of It All

The middle is an exciting place to be, and it's a crucial point in every child's development. At King, we celebrate the middle as a time of academic growth and character development. Students find abundant opportunities to ask big questions — and make big findings — about who they are, what talents they have, and what kind of positive impact they'd like to have in the world.



Our student-centered culture encourages self-discovery and builds students' confidence to explore their passions.

THE WHOLE STUDENT

Lessons in middle school emphasize academic achievement, social responsibility, and character development. In this nurturing environment, students grow academically and as individuals, building skills for life like time management, organization, independence, and accountability.

IT ADDS UP

Our outstanding Mathematics Department is a distinguishing feature of King. Students in Grades 6 through 8 progress from arithmetic skills and mathematical thinking to algebra and geometry with challenging yet supportive instruction. Advanced math students may pursue a sequence of courses that includes King's ANTAP course: Algebra, Number Theory, and Probability, and allows students to graduate having completed college-level courses such as Multivariable Calculus. After school, students can immerse themselves in math with K Squared, the middle school math club.

Athletics

Providing a chance to be challenged and grow, King sports are open to students beginning in Grade 6.

Athletics is part of the required program for all middle school students. Every student participates in one sport per season, choosing from 25 offerings, including crew, ice hockey, fitness, and yoga.

It's bigger than sports. At this critical time of change and development, students also learn about health and wellness and experience the lessons of teamwork and sportsmanship.



Our middle school athletics program focuses on skill creation and development, building the confidence to participate in team sports.



Arts

The arts are a key ingredient in the recipe of personal expression in middle school.

We consider music a major course of study. Students in Grades 6 and 7 participate in their choice of strings, band, or choir. They also develop their skills and their unique expression in art classes both years.

Starting in Grade 8, students can immerse themselves even deeper by choosing to major in performing or visual arts.

The Middle School mounts a fall play and a spring musical annually. Students participate on stage as well as in stage craft and light design.



King students have been selected to perform in distinguished middle school choirs that compete with students from Delaware to Maine.



Community

We focus on the themes of "Becoming and Belonging."

Middle School U launches students in Grade 6 into the school year and introduces essential skills and learning concepts.

From Logic Club to Lego League, students participate in different clubs each semester.

Through the Middle School Families program, students from Grades 6–8 are placed in small, mixed-age groups to connect across grade levels and cultivate leadership skills.

During Fellowship Fridays, students from the Middle and Upper Schools meet to discuss their interests and answer questions about what's to come on the academic journey ahead.



Middle school students have the opportunity to participate in ongoing after-school service opportunities through the King Cares service program.





WELCOME TO UPPER SCHOOL

The Power of Possibility

Here, no question is too big. Upper school students drive their learning, fueled by the desire to know more in the areas that interest them most, whether it's aerospace engineering, art history, or artificial intelligence. Together, students think courageously, learn expansively, and work collaboratively, building skills that will serve them for the rest of their lives. King graduates are ready to thrive in a rapidly changing world. The sky's the limit — and then some.

IT'S ALL ON THE TABLE

The upper school experience isn't one-size-fits-all. While four years of study in math, language, history/social science, and science are required, students have the power to pursue their passions and explore new fields. With courses to choose from like marine biology, music production, and Mandarin Chinese, no two schedules are the same.

CERTIFICATES OF DISTINCTION

Go deeper — and stand out. Students can opt to complete coursework beyond the graduation requirements in one of these focused areas of study:

- Art and Design
- Global Studies
- Leadership
- Performing Arts
- STEM
- World Languages

30+

Clubs, including Economics, Math Team, Sports Business, Women in Business, and KSPCA.



The Library Learning Commons is the Upper School's vibrant hub for studying, collaborating, and convening.



Katie

Grade: 12

Hometown: Darien

Interests: Global Education, King Cares, Sustainability Club, Jewish Family Services Club, Student Council, Leadership Council, Peer Tutoring Mentor, Tour Guide, Lacrosse, Soccer

Favorite part of King School: Community

"The sense of community at King is unparalleled. Everyone is genuinely invested in each other's success and well-being. This supportive environment encourages me to challenge myself academically and personally, knowing I have a strong network of people to rely on."

100+

college admissions
representatives visit
campus each year.

Meet Tomorrow Head-On

We believe an excellent education takes students where they want to go, preparing them not only for college, but also for lives filled with purpose. That's the power of possibility.

COLLEGE COUNSELING

We take a personalized four-year developmental approach to college preparation. Beginning in Grade 9, each student is paired with an experienced counselor. Working closely with teachers and families, we help students navigate the road to college: connecting academic interests and ambitions, preparing for tests, applying to schools, and making a selection, alleviating the stress of this chapter. Together, the King college counseling team supports students in finding their best fit.

INDEPENDENT RESEARCH

Pursue college-level scientific research — before college. King offers multiple opportunities to tackle real-world challenges with real-time solutions. Every student who graduates with distinction completes an in-depth independent research project. In addition, sophomores may apply for the Tom Main Liberal Arts Fellowship that supports students in researching a liberal arts topic of major global interest.

Then there's ASPIRE, our advanced two-year science research program, which gives top-achieving students hands-on research experience on and off campus. Recent ASPIRE participants have studied environmental remediation, gene editing, and spacecraft design at prestigious institutions like Yale University, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, and MIT.

THE STEPS TO SUCCESS

Grade 9
Build a foundation by identifying key areas for curricular and co-curricular choices.

Grade 10
Discover the admission requirements and begin evaluating programs at various colleges.

Grade 11
Identify a college list, visit schools, craft an excellent application, and hone interview skills.

Grade 12
Meet with visiting admissions representatives, fill out applications, and make a final decision with care.



Griffin

Grade: 12

Hometown: Ridgefield

Interests: Soccer, Basketball, Photography, AAPI Affinity Group, King Weekly Market Report, KingCast (King's economics podcast), One Love Club, Business Club

Favorite part of King School: Relationships between students and teachers

"My first year as a freshman, I was super nervous about not making friends, but a lot of the older students took me under their wing, and helped me feel comfortable with my adjustment. As a new student, I was able to fit right in but also be myself."

Athletics

We believe in a holistic approach to athletics by fostering learning, leadership, and relationship-building opportunities.

With 35 varsity and junior varsity teams across three seasons, upper school sports are both diverse and challenging. Many graduates go on to pursue college athletics.

Whether cross country, crew, soccer, or squash, athletics are an essential part of the King experience. All students participate in at least one competitive or noncompetitive sport each year.



King athletes regularly earn All-New England, All-American, and All-Academic recognitions, and our teams compete each season for league and New England championships.



Arts

Pursue an artistic passion or discover a new one. We offer robust performing arts options — theater, music, and dance — and an art and design program with opportunities in visual arts, fashion design, filmmaking, photography, design thinking, animation, and more.

In the Upper School, all students are required to engage in the arts, honing the essential skills of communication, collaboration, and creativity for life.

King provides unique pathways to self-discovery through plays, musicals, instrumental performances, and choral concerts.



The upper school art and design curriculum revolves around the OPEN Project, short for Original, Personal, Experienced, and Novel. All students in art classes design their own projects, unleashing ownership and creativity.



Community

King is a tight-knit community with a dedication to both academic excellence and inclusivity. Here, students enjoy a deep sense of connection and belonging.

Community building happens in many ways, including in clubs and activities. Don't see a club that fits? Students can create a new one — the options are endless.

We celebrate our school spirit throughout the year: kicking off the fall semester by Ringing of the Bells, participating in service projects during our annual King of Spring weekend, and enjoying our festive Homecoming Weekend that brings together the entire Viking community.



King Cares Family Service Day, with over 300 community members and partner organizations, showcases a collective dedication to making a positive impact locally and beyond.



Wonder Opens the World

By the time King students graduate, they have more than just learned; they have learned how to learn. The world is rapidly changing, and no one knows what the future will bring, but King graduates will be ready — ready to succeed and better prepared to better the world!



FIVE-YEAR MATRICULATION LIST

King's early-start college counseling program yields exceptional results for our students. They graduate with a global mindset, a strong sense of social responsibility, and the confidence to pursue lives of purpose.

- Allegheny College
 - American University
 - Auburn University
 - Babson College
 - Barnard College
 - Baylor University
 - Bentley University
 - Berklee College of Music
 - Boston College
 - Boston University
 - Brandeis University
 - Brown University
 - Bryn Mawr College
 - Bucknell University
 - California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
 - Carnegie Mellon University
 - Case Western Reserve University
 - Chapman University
 - Clemson University
 - Colby College
 - Colgate University
 - College of Charleston
 - College of the Holy Cross
 - Colorado College
 - Columbia University
 - Connecticut College
 - Cornell University
 - Dartmouth College
 - Denison University
 - Dickinson College
 - Drexel University
 - Duke University
 - Elon University
 - Emory University
 - Fairfield University
 - Fairleigh Dickinson University
 - Florida State University
 - Fordham University
 - Franklin & Marshall College
 - George Washington University
 - Georgetown University
 - Hampton University
 - Harvard University
 - Hobart and William Smith Colleges
 - Indiana University
 - King's College London, University of London
- Lafayette College
 - Lehigh University
 - Loyola Marymount University
 - Loyola University Maryland
 - Loyola University New Orleans
 - Marist College
 - Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 - McGill University
 - Michigan State University
 - Middlebury College
 - Muhlenberg College
 - New York University
 - Northeastern University
 - Northumbria University, Newcastle
 - Northwestern University
 - Oberlin College
 - Occidental College
 - The Ohio State University
 - Old Dominion University
 - Pennsylvania State University
 - Pitzer College
 - Point Park University
 - Princeton University
 - Providence College
 - Purdue University
 - Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
 - Rochester Institute of Technology
 - Roger Williams University
 - Rollins College
 - Rutgers University
 - Salve Regina University
 - Santa Clara University
 - Sarah Lawrence College
 - Savannah College of Art and Design
 - Sewanee: The University of the South
 - Skidmore College
 - Southern Methodist University
 - St. Lawrence University
 - St. Petersburg College
 - Suffolk University
 - Syracuse University
 - Texas Christian University
 - Towson University
 - Trinity College
 - Tufts University
 - Tulane University
 - United States Military Academy
- United States Naval Academy
 - University of Alabama
 - University of Bristol
 - University of California, Berkeley
 - University of California, Irvine
 - University of California, Los Angeles
 - University of California, Santa Cruz
 - University of Chicago
 - University of Colorado
 - University of Connecticut
 - University of Denver
 - University of Maryland
 - University of Massachusetts
 - University of Miami
 - University of Michigan
 - University of Minnesota
 - University of New Hampshire
 - University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
 - University of North Carolina Wilmington
 - University of Notre Dame
 - University of Pennsylvania
 - University of Rhode Island
 - University of Richmond
 - University of Rochester
 - University of San Diego
 - University of Southern California
 - University of St. Andrews
 - University of Tampa
 - University of Texas at Austin
 - University of Toronto
 - University of Vermont
 - University of Virginia
 - University of Washington
 - University of Wisconsin
 - Vanderbilt University
 - Villanova University
 - Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
 - Wake Forest University
 - Washington & Jefferson College
 - Washington and Lee University
 - Washington University in St. Louis
 - Wesleyan University
 - Western New England University
 - William & Mary
 - Williams College
 - Yale University

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