

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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## MISSION STATEMENT

*We believe education is the process society uses to prepare its citizenry to be productive, valued, and cooperative participants. This process is designed to establish attitudes, values, knowledge, and positive influences in our world community.*

## WE VALUE

- strengthening reading, speaking, thinking, writing, and computational skills.
- providing the opportunity for each student to reach his/her maximum potential.
- guiding students to develop a value system based on honesty, dignity, and respect for others.
- encouraging students to develop qualities of responsible citizenship, which includes service to community.
- preparing students in problem solving and goal setting to cope with a variety of real life situations.
- strengthening student awareness and commitment to cultural diversity.
- promoting an environment that fosters self-esteem, self-respect and self-direction.
- helping students develop lifestyles of mental and physical wellness.
- providing skills that enhance preparation to adjust to a rapidly changing technological world.
- supporting students in the development of vocational talents to enter the world of work.

*Kingsburg High School is accredited by WASC/CDE*

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## THE STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

Kingsburg Joint Union High School is located twenty miles south of Fresno in the heart of California's Central Valley. The town is small in size with a population of 11,504 and reflects a Swedish motif with a deep sense of pride and involvement. Four of the board members and twenty-four staff members are Kingsburg High School graduates. The 1,100 students served reside in the three local counties of Fresno, Tulare, and Kings. Most of the surrounding area is agriculturally based, which makes for a small rural high school setting.

## ACADEMIC ADVANCEMENT

Kingsburg provides many academic opportunities especially considering its relatively small size.

### Advanced Placement Classes

AP Calculus  
AP Biology\*  
AP Environmental Science\*  
AP Chemistry\*  
AP Composition/Language  
AP Literature  
AP U.S. History  
AP World History  
AP Government\*  
AP Spanish Language  
AP Studio Art\*

AP Computer Science Principles  
\* Courses are offered on a rotating basis due to class sizes.

### Honors Classes

Honors Math 1  
Honors Math 2  
Honors Math 3  
Honors Biology

## GRADE POINT AVERAGES

Kingsburg High School uses a standard scale of:  
A=4.0; B=3.0; C=2.0; D=1.0; F=0.0

Advanced Placement grades are weighted as follows:  
A= 5.0; B=4.0; C=3.0; D=1.0; F=0.0

\* Honors courses are not weighted.

## EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

### Agriculture Department

This area of study follows the core curriculum set up by the State of California. Courses include Intro to Ag, Ag Earth Science, Applied Ag Biology, Animal Science, ROP Ornamental Horticulture, ROP Advance Environmental Horticulture, ROP Advanced Animal Science, ROP Ag Sales and Marketing, Ag Mechanics 1 & 2 (Welding Skills), ROP Ag Mechanics Construction and Fabrication.

Students receive hands-on experience in the agriculture industry through their Supervised Agriculture Experience projects. Leadership development is also a critical part of the agriculture program and is infused into all agriculture courses.

### AVID Program

The Advancement Via Individual Determination program provides support and skills to assist students in achieving college preparation goals. This program has provided academic benefit to the entire school. The success of AVID led to KHS being named a National Demonstration School.

### Science Department

In addition to the many Advanced Placement offerings, the science department also provides students with the opportunity to experience science in the surrounding environments. There are programs such as GLOBE (Global Learning and Observations to Benefit the Environment) a research-based project to maximize the students' understanding of weather and global climate. Wild Link is a program designed to take under-represented populations to Yosemite National Park for a weekend to involve them in outdoor science and art curriculum.

## CLASS RANKINGS

Students are ranked based on their cumulative GPA as it compares to those of the same grade level at KHS.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- Satisfactorily complete (take and pass) 230 semester hours of credit in grades 9-12 including all required subjects.

### Required Subjects

### Semester Credit

#### *English*

**40 Credits**

#### *Mathematics*

**30 Credits**

- At least 10 credits must be from classes that meet or exceed the content standards of Math 1 or Math 1B.

#### *Science*

**20 Credits**

- One year in Physical Science
- One year in Life Science

#### *Social Science*

**20 Credits**

- One year in World History
- One year in U.S. History

#### *Government/Economics*

**10 Credits**

- One semester in Civics
- One Semester in Economics

#### *Health/Wellness*

**10 Credits**

- One year

#### *Visual and Performing Arts*

**10 Credits**

- One year

#### *Physical Education*

**20 Credits**

#### *Electives*

**70 Credits**

## POST SECONDARY EDUCATION TRENDS

Over the past three years, approximately 95% of graduating seniors pursue post secondary education. Approximately 30% of seniors go on to four-year universities, and 60-70% attend one of the four community colleges available in the area.