



JAMES MADISON PREPARATORY SCHOOL 2010-2011 SCHOOL PROFILE

Building America's Promising Future, Honoring America's Glorious Past

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Enrollment: 192

Class of 2010: 22

Academic Honors

Class of 2008 & 2009:

2 National Merit Finalists

1 Semi-finalist

JMPS has constantly received an "Excelling" rating from the Arizona Department of Education

Explanation of Grading Scale

<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Letter Grade</u>	<u>Grade Point Value</u>
93-100	A	4.00
90-92	A-	3.67
87-89	B+	3.33
83-86	B	3.00
80-82	B-	2.67
77-79	C+	2.33
73-76	C	2.00
70-72	C-	1.67
67-69	D+	1.33
63-66	D	1.00
60-62	D-	0.67
0-59	F	0.00

At James Madison Prep School we are striving to accomplish five basic goals:

- To restore some of the great academic traditions and disciplines (*which have been lost or forgotten in recent years*) to a small high school.
- To offer an education that promotes history as the great teacher of life.
- To blend this rigorous academic education with a wide variety of meaningful extracurricular opportunities.
- To foster and reward great character attributes in our students.
- To provide a learning environment where students are free to learn, encouraged to think, and expected to excel.

JMPS is a college-prep school that challenges committed students with a robust, traditional education emphasizing America's history and system of government. ***Our focus is on a rigorous curriculum rather than offering AP classes. However, students may choose to take AP exams in certain courses to receive college credit.***

Graduation Requirements

Madison operates a trimester system, with six courses a trimester for each student. Each course is one credit, with 68 course credits needed to graduate.

While most courses are required, students may take some electives in the upper grade levels depending on circumstances and the successful completion of required course work.

	Madison Diploma	Mastery Diploma	Scholar's Diploma
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Course Credits	68	68	72
Percentage of Courses Completed at Mastery Level	N/A	85% and up	95% and up
Grade Point Average (GPA)	1.00 and up	2.67 and up	3.67 and up
Percentage of Satisfactory Units	80%	90%	100%

In addition to course credits, students will be given Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory marks based on participation and effort in Assembly and Government. Students must earn 80% of these Satisfactory Units to graduate. Madison Prep also places considerable value on mastery level course completion. Mastery is achieved in a class when a student earns the letter grade C or better. Each of the Madison diplomas incorporates these elements.

Senior Project

In order to graduate from James Madison Preparatory School, seniors must complete a Senior Project. Senior Projects resemble independent study courses, except that a twenty-minute presentation before the entire student body at Morning Assembly is required. All Madison Prep high school teachers evaluate Senior Project presentations, and the mean of all their scores will be combined with the score on the final paper, which is graded by the faculty sponsor. The paper counts for one third of the final Senior Project score, with the presentation accounting for the other two thirds. The overall score must be at least 60% in order to pass.