

Schools - Private Education

Parents send their children to private schools for a variety of reasons. Some select private schools for religious or philosophical reasons. Others value smaller class sizes and individualized attention for their children. Then there are parents who are focused on the highest possible learning standards, advanced placement courses, and rigorous college preparation that leads to enhanced academic opportunities.

The Dallas-Fort Worth area offers a variety of private institutions—some religious, some secular, and some with special niches. Well-known institutions include St. Mark's School of Texas (Dallas), Hockaday School (Dallas), Greenhill School (Addison), Episcopal School of Dallas, Yavneh Academy of Dallas, Fort Worth Country Day School, and Trinity Valley School (Fort Worth).

Private High Schools

Ranked by 2020-21 Tuition*

- 1 St. Mark's School of Texas, \$34,862
- 2 Greenhill School, \$34,580
- 3 Shelton School, \$34,200
- 4 The Hockaday School, \$33,200
- 5 Parish Episcopal School, \$33,050
- 6 The Episcopal School of Dallas, \$31,795
- 7 Alcuin School, \$30,800
- 8 The Winston School Dallas, \$29,760
- 9 Yavneh Academy, \$28,560
- 10 Fort Worth Country Day, \$26,130
- 11 Bending Oaks School, \$25,000
- 12 Trinity Valley School, \$24,920
- 13 Lakehill Preparatory School, \$24,850
- 14 All Saints Episcopal School Fort Worth, \$24,620
- 15 The Cambridge School of Dallas, \$24,600
- 16 Dallas International School, \$24,350
- 17 The St. Anthony School, \$24,300
- 18 Trinity Christian Academy Addison, \$24,200
- 19 Dallas Academy, \$24,135
- 20 The Oakridge School, \$23,980
- 21 Ursuline Academy of Dallas, \$23,900
- 22 Vanguard Preparatory School, \$23,500
- 23 Prestonwood Christian Academy, \$23,376
- 24 Fairhill School, \$22,900
- 25 Cistercian Preparatory School, \$22,800
- 26 Bridge Builder Academy, \$22,500
- 27 Hill School of Fort Worth, \$22,240
- 28 Jesuit College Preparatory School, \$22,165
- 29 The Covenant School of Dallas, \$21,990
- 30 The Selwyn School, \$21,970
- 31 Southwest Christian School, \$20,950
- 32 The Novus Academy, \$20,850
- 33 The Westwood School Upper School Campus, \$20,485
- 34 Legacy Christian Academy, \$20,340
- 35 The Key School, \$20,050
- 36 Bishop Lynch High School, \$20,000
- 37 Prince of Peace Christian School Carrollton, \$19,700
- 38 John Paul II High School, \$19,650
- 39 Liberty Christian School, \$19,638
- 40 Fort Worth Christian School, \$19,185
- 41 Nolan Catholic High School, \$19,140
- 42 Covenant Christian Academy, \$18,782
- 43 Dallas Christian School, \$18,361
- 44 The Clariden School, \$18,304
- 45 Grapevine Faith Christian School, \$18,250
- 46 Yorktown Education, \$18,000
- 47 E. A. Young Academy, \$17,900
- 48 Bishop Dunne Catholic High School, \$16,737
- 49 The Highlands School, \$16,250
- 50 Northstar School, \$15,900
- 51 Cristo Rey Dallas College Prep**, \$15,725
- 52 McKinney Christian Academy, \$15,125

Source: Texas Private School Accreditation Commission and School websites

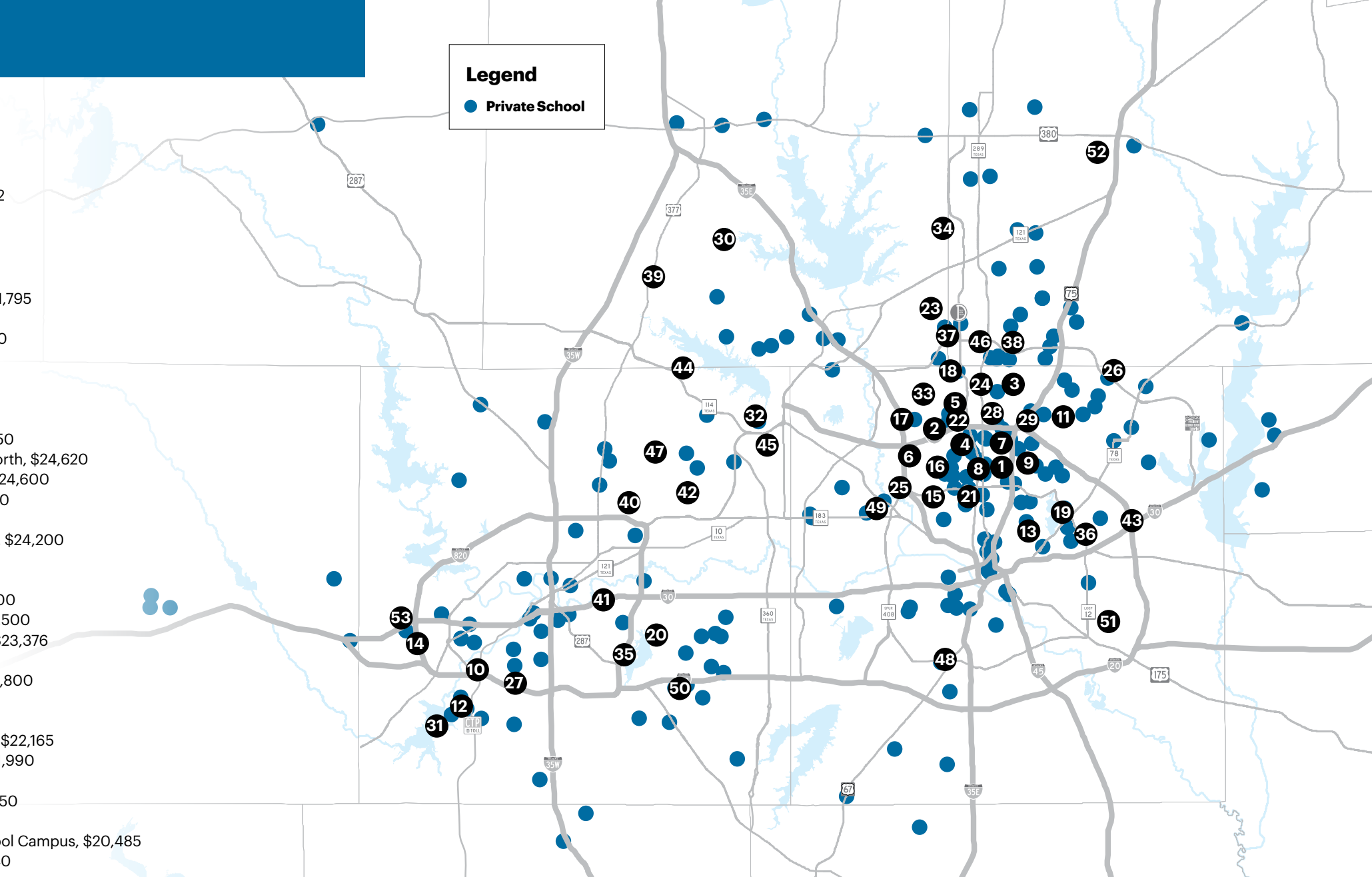
*Costs shown for 12th grade, and where applicable, for a single child enrolled, for U.S. resident students; and for non-parishioners. Does not include separate fees.
 ** Sliding scale based on family income and household size. Family contribution varies from \$500 - \$2,500 per year

Private School Calendar

- Testing for private schools often takes place in the fall
- Enrollment is in January or February
- School typically starts earlier in August

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Researching Schools

The Dallas-Fort Worth region offers a wide range of private school options. Some of the terms you will encounter as you look at private school options include:

- **Learning differences schools** – These schools provide for students with learning differences across the spectrum and can range from pre-K through 12th grade.
- **Boarding schools** – Several of the single-gender private schools offer full-time boarding as well as day student options.
- **Language/culture specific** – Some schools offer immersion in specific languages, like French, Chinese and Japanese. Many of these schools offer Saturday and summer options for families who want students to attend a traditional school and supplement with cultural and language immersion.
- **Montessori method** – This is a child-centered educational approach based on scientific observations of children from birth to adulthood. Schools incorporating this self-direction and discovery method are located across the region, but they generally do not extend beyond elementary. A number of public districts also have a Montessori choice option within the district.
- **Classical** – These schools are usually characterized by small class sizes and a classics-based education, normally with fewer team athletic options.
- **College preparatory** – Prep schools focus on academic rigor in preparation for demanding collegiate programs.
- **Religious/parochial** – Some schools are associated with specific religious denominations or churches and incorporate religious teaching as part of the curriculum.