

## *Northcoast Preparatory Academy*



NPA is an International Baccalaureate World School chartered through the Humboldt County Office of Education. NPA focuses on the sciences, arts, and responsible global citizenship throughout the high school experience, with an emphasis on critical thinking and primary source documents. All NPA students undertake independent projects, conduct research, present multiple papers, and pursue the full IB diploma course of study. The Washington Post ranks NPA as the #2 high school in California. More than 95% of our students attend 4-year colleges, with many continuing on to pursue graduate studies.

**The NPA community is built around the idea that small group and multi-grade participation promotes academic and personal achievement.**

Activities that distinguish NPA include:

- Semester literature seminar dinners for all grade levels
- Semester research papers and presentations
- Large scale theater productions for all students
- Monthly all-student collaborative work
- Cotillion class and Cotillion Ball
- All-school student choir
- Community service for all grade levels
- International travel and sister school partnerships
- Community and parent-supported activities
- All-school family meetings each semester
- Parent dinners with administrators and faculty each semester

These traditional activities provide a structure and rhythm to the school year.

**NPA students are empowered and have a sense of ownership over their education.** The most important thing about NPA is that it is a place where all students are fully supported in pursuing their academic and personal goals.