



A Window to the World

School Profile 2017-2018

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2002-2017
5 National Merit Finalists
5 National Merit Semi-Finalists
3 National Achievement
Scholarship Nominees
1 National Achievement
Scholarship Semi-Finalist
1 National Hispanic Scholar
13 Commended Students

College Admission Test Scores

Class of 2018

(as of June 2017)

Junior Year Testing Only

ACT: Composite Mean 27

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SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

The Academy of the Sacred Heart is an independent college-preparatory day school for girls in an Early Childhood Program through Grade 12 and boys in an Early Childhood Program through Grade 8. There are 450 students attending the Academy in the Early Childhood Program through Grade 12, which are grouped in six schools. There are 130 students in the Upper School, drawing from more than 40 communities in metropolitan Detroit. There are 40 young women in Grade 12. The Upper School student/teacher ratio is 6 to 1. A commitment to excellence, an emphasis on values and service, and an excitement for learning characterize the environment at Sacred Heart. The Academy is a member of the Network of Sacred Heart Schools, which includes 24 Schools in the U.S. - Canada and affiliation with the Society of the Sacred Heart in 41 countries around the world. In the tradition of Sacred Heart education, the Academy is a community that educates to:

- ...A personal faith in God,
- ...A deep respect for intellectual values,
- ...A social awareness that impels to action,
- ...The building of community as a Christian value, and
- ...Personal growth in an atmosphere of wise freedom.

FACULTY

The Upper School has 23 full and part-time faculty—13 with master's degrees—and seven full and part-time administrators/staff—six with master's degrees.

ACCREDITATION

- Independent Schools Association of the Central States
- The Network of Sacred Heart Schools
- North Central Association

CURRICULUM AND SCHOOL DAY

All Upper School students are enrolled in a rigorous college-preparatory program. Students are required to register for 7.5 credits each year. This year, the Academy will offer five AP courses and 14 Honors level courses. The Academy does not rank students. In the fall of 1996, the Academy adopted a block schedule for the Upper School. The schedule is divided into four quarters/two terms. In each quarter, four 80-minute classes are blocked— courses in this block may be completed by the end of one quarter (.5 credit) or two quarters (1.0 credit).

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English	4 credits
Mathematics	4 credits
World Language	3 credits
Science	3.5 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
U. S. Government	.5 credit
Economics	.5 credit
Theology	2.5 credits
Fine Arts	2 credits
Computer Studies	1 credit
Physical Education/Health	.5 credit each year
Project Term	1 week each year
Michigan On-line Learning	20 hours

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

AB Calculus
English Literature
U.S. History
Psychology
Micro-Economics

HONORS COURSES OFFERED

Advanced Algebra
American Literature
Biology
British Literature
Calculus
Chemistry
English Literature
European History
Genetics
Geometry
Molecular Biology
Physics
Pre-Calculus
U.S. History

GRADE DISTRIBUTION - CLASS OF 2018

4.00 - 3.70 High Honors	23
3.69 - 3.40 Honors	7
3.39 - 3.00 Commendations	7
2.99 - 2.50	2
2.49 - 2.00	1
1.99 - 1.50	0
	40

GRADING SYSTEM

A = 4.0	93-100	C+ = 2.3	77-79
A- = 3.7	90-92	C = 2.0	73-76
B+ = 3.3	87-89	C- = 1.7	70-72
B = 3.0	83-86	D+ = 1.3	67-69
B- = 2.7	80-82	D = 1.0	63-66
		D- = 0.7	60-62
		F = 0.0	Below 60

The Academy does not rank students

DRAMA/FORENSICS

Two major productions are presented annually: one straight drama and one musical. Students compete in the Catholic Forensics League on a national level. Every student (in a three year rotation) participates in the Young Americans music education and performance workshop.

SPORTS

Basketball (1 level), Bowling (1), Dance (2), Field Hockey (2), Figure Skating (1), Golf (2), Gymnastics (1), Lacrosse (2), Skiing (1), Soccer (1), Tennis (2), Volleyball (2), Cross Country (1), Swimming (1).

Dance/Pom Pon Catholic League Champions - 2013

Field Hockey Catholic League Champions - 2006, 2009, 2014, 2015

Golf Regional Champions - 2008, Catholic League Champions - 2009,

Oakland County Champions - 2009

Lacrosse State Champions - 2000, 2002, 2005, 2006, 2007

Lacrosse Regional Champions - 2008, 2011

Lacrosse Catholic League Champions - 2015

Lacrosse Midwest Champions - 1996, 1999, 2002, 2015

Tennis Regional Champions - 2001, 2002, 2005, 2006, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017

Tennis State Champions - 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016

Volleyball District Champions - 2010

SCHOOL COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE

This program aims to develop the potential of each student in areas of leadership, organization and creativity. This participatory form of school government involves every student and faculty member in the Upper School.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Community Service Program is an integral part of Sacred Heart education, which seeks to educate students toward a social awareness that will compel them to assume an active role in the community. Each student participates regularly in a service activities.

FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE

During the Community Service block, 9th graders participate in the First Year Experience. This course provides a hands-on participatory approach to cultural exploration and the arts; field trips and multi-disciplinary "labs" connect cultures studied and the arts to all learning and to everyday life.

PROJECT TERM

Since 1974, Project Term has offered a unique opportunity for students and faculty to learn together in a focused and intensive unit of study. This seven-day period provides the means by which students and faculty plan and implement programs that allow for a hands-on learning in a variety of fields. The programs created respond to student interest while emphasizing personal growth, growth in faith, development of intellect and the building of community. Small group reflection on the experience is an essential part of the program. Over four years, students must pursue three focus areas: Intellectual Growth/Career Exploration, Personal Challenge and Community Service. Project Term experiences in recent years have included: Costa Rica, Peru, Dominican Republic, England, France, Hungary, Ireland, Thailand, and Italy, Marine Biology in Louisiana; plus independent studies relative to careers in medicine, engineering, marketing, design, and law.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES 660 GRADUATES SINCE 1996

Adrian College	Eugene Lang College	Oberlin College	University of Chicago
Albion College	Fairfield University	Ohio State University	University of Colorado
Allegheny College	Fashion Institute of Technology	Ohio University	University of Connecticut
Alma College	Florida A & M University	Ohio Wesleyan University	University of Dayton
American University	Florida Southern University	Otis College of Art and Design	University of Denver
Amherst College	Florida State University	Otterbein College	University of Detroit Mercy
Arizona State University	Fordham University	Oxford College	University of Durham, UK
Aquinas College	Furman University	Pace University	University of Edinburgh, UK
Auburn University	Gannon University	Parsons School of Design	University of Evansville
Babson College	George Washington University	Pennsylvania State University	University of Florida
Baldwin-Wallace College	Georgetown University	Pepperdine University	University of Glasgow, UK
Baylor University	Goucher College	Philadelphia School of Art	University of Hawaii
Belmont University	Grand Valley State University	Philadelphia University	University of Illinois
Berklee College of Music	Hampshire College	Pratt School of Art	University of Indiana
Boston College	Hampton University	Providence College	University of Kentucky
Boston University	Harvard University	Purdue University	University of Las Vegas
Bowdoin College	Hawaii Pacific University	Reed College	University of Maryland
Bowling Green State University	High Point University	Regis University	University of Massachusetts
Bradley University	Hillsdale College	Rensselaer Polytechnic University	University of Miami
Brandeis University	Hope College	Rhodes College	University of Michigan
Brown University	Howard University	Rocky Mountain College	University of Michigan-DB
Bryn Mawr College	Illinois Institute of Technology	Rollins College	University of Michigan-Flint
Butler University	Indiana University	Rose Hulman University	University of Mississippi
Carleton College	Ithaca College	Sacred Heart University	University of Nevada
Carnegie Mellon University	John Carroll University	Saginaw Valley State University	University of Notre Dame
Carthage College	Johns Hopkins University	Salve Regina University	University of Oklahoma
Case Western Reserve University	Johnson & Wales University	Santa Clara University	University of Ottawa
Catholic University	Kalamazoo College	Sarah Lawrence College	University of Pennsylvania
Central Michigan University	Kenyon College	Savannah College of Art & Design	University of Pittsburgh
Clemson University	Kettering University	School of Visual Arts	University of Richmond
Coastal Carolina University	Lafayette University	Seattle University	University of Rochester
College of Charleston	Lake Forest College	Seton Hall University	University of San Diego
College for Creative Studies	Lawrence Technological Univ.	Skidmore College	University of San Francisco
College of the Holy Cross	Lehigh University	Smith College	University of St. Andrews Scotland
College of Santa Fe	Lewis & Clark College	Southern Methodist University	University of Southern CA
College of William and Mary	Loyola College - Maryland	Spelman University	University of Tampa
College of Wooster	Loyola Marymount University	St. Lawrence University	University of Tennessee - Knoxville
Colorado College	Loyola University - Chicago	St. Louis University	University of Vermont
Colorado School of Mines	Loyola University - New Orleans	St. Mary's College of Notre Dame	University of Virginia
Colorado State University	Loyola University - Maryland	St. Michael's College	University of Wisconsin
Columbia College Chicago	Lynn University	St. Olaf College	Ursinus College
Columbia University	Macalaster College	Stetson University	Valparaiso University
Cooper Union	Manhattanville College	Stonhill College	Vanderbilt University
Cornell College	Marquette University	Swarthmore College	Vassar College
Cornell University	Massachusetts College of Art	Sweet Briar College	Villanova University
Creighton University	McGill University	Syracuse University	Virginia Tech University
Dartmouth College	Miami University of Ohio	Texas Christian University	Wake Forest University
Denison University	Michigan State University	Pennsylvania State University	Washington U. in St. Louis
DePaul University	Michigan Tech University	Trinity College	Wayne State University
DePauw University	Middlebury College	Tufts University	Wellesley College
Drexel University	Millsaps College	Tulane University	Wells College
Duke University	Mt. Holyoke College	Tuskegee University	Western Michigan University
Duquesne University	New York University	U. S. Naval Academy	Whittier College
Earlham College	Northeastern University	University of Alabama	Williams College
Eastern Michigan University	Northern Michigan University	University of Arizona	Wittenberg University
Eckerd College	Northwestern University	University of Bristol, UK	Xavier University
Emerson College	Northwood University	University of British Columbia	Yale University
Emory University	Oakland University	University of Charleston	

NETWORK OF SACRED HEART SCHOOLS - UNITED STATES

Academy of the Sacred Heart Bloomfield Hills, Michigan	Convent of the Sacred Heart Greenwich, Connecticut	Duchesne Academy of the Sacred Heart Omaha, Nebraska	Princeton Academy Princeton, New Jersey	Stone Ridge Country Day School Bethesda, Maryland
Academy of the Sacred Heart Grand Coteau, Louisiana	Convent of the Sacred Heart New York, New York	Forest Ridge School of the Sacred Heart Bellevue, Washington	The Regis School Houston, Texas	Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart Princeton, New Jersey
Academy of the Sacred Heart New Orleans, Louisiana	Country Day School of the Sacred Heart Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania	Josephinum Academy of the Sacred Heart Chicago, Illinois	Sacred Heart Schools Atherton, California	Villa Duchesne St. Louis, Missouri
Academy of the Sacred Heart St. Charles, Missouri	Duchesne Academy of the Sacred Heart Houston, Texas	Newton Country Day School of the Sacred Heart Newton, Massachusetts	Sacred Heart Schools Chicago, Illinois	Woodlands Academy Lake Forest, Illinois
Carrollton School of the Sacred Heart Miami, Florida			Schools of the Sacred Heart San Francisco, California	

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