



Oregon Episcopal School

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OREGON EPISCOPAL SCHOOL School Profile 2018–19

An independent college preparatory day and boarding school, OES offers classes from Pre-K through Grade 12. Founded in 1869, OES is the oldest independent Episcopal school west of the Rockies. Seventy-six percent of faculty have advanced degrees. Ninety-nine percent of graduates attend four-year colleges.

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- Northwest Association of Independent Schools
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MISSION

Oregon Episcopal School prepares students for higher education and lifelong learning by inspiring intellectual, physical, social, emotional, artistic, and spiritual growth so that they may realize their power for good as citizens of local and world communities.

VISION

Connecting people, ideas, and cultures to advance knowledge, create solutions, and enhance meaning.

CURRENT STUDENTS

Enrollment Pre-K–12	870
Enrollment 9–12	313
Day Students	257
Boarding Students	56
International Students	16%
Countries Represented	12
Students of color	45%
Students receiving Financial Assistance	20%

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students take 5 or 6 classes each semester.

DEPARTMENT	REQUIRED YEARS/CREDITS
English	4
Math	3
History	2
Science	3
Language	2
Visual & Performing Arts	2
Religion/Philosophy	1
Physical Education/Wellness	1
Electives	3
TOTAL CREDITS TO GRADUATE	21

GRADING PRACTICES

We do not rank our students or weight our GPA. The GPA is based on the final grade listed for each course. Semester grades are reported for all courses.

Grading Scale

A 4.00	C 2.00
A- 3.67	C- 1.67
B+ 3.33	D+ 1.33
B 3.00	D 1.00
B- 2.67	D- 0.67
C+ 2.33	F 0.00

SNAPSHOT: CLASS OF 2019

Senior Class	79
Mean GPA (6th semester)	3.61
National Merit Semifinalists	4
National Merit Commended	10

GPA RANGES: CLASS OF 2019

GPA RANGE	NUMBER OF STUDENTS
3.75–4.00	35
3.50–3.74	19
3.25–3.49	11
Below 3.25	13

COLLEGE ADMISSION TESTS

Middle 50 Percent, Class of 2018 (including international students)

SAT Scores:

EBRW	660–740
Math	670–770

ACT Composite: 24–33

AP Exams: In the spring of 2018, 114 OES students took 153 Advanced Placement Tests in 17 subjects. Ninety-five percent of scores were 3 or higher. Seventy-six percent of scores were 4 or higher.

OES offers a rigorous college preparatory curriculum with particular emphasis on writing and research. Students are taught to analyze, theorize, and solve problems. Woven through the curriculum are elements of experiential education. Seniors select from an array of semester-length courses in advanced topics in English, History, and Science.

- Average class size: 14
- Student/faculty ratio: 7:1

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ENGLISH

The English program is structured by grade level: 9th and 10th graders learn the foundational skills of academic writing, while 11th and 12th graders practice variations on the essay, growing in sophistication. Creative writing runs throughout, culminating in the focused study of a genre in the Fall 12th grade classes. Readings come from world literature, ancient to contemporary, with dedicated moments for American writers and literary journalism, as well as opportunities to study a region or theme in depth in the Spring 12th grade classes.

HISTORY

In 9th grade, students take a yearlong course on the Ancient World. Students then take US History I and select an advanced, thematically focused US History II course. A variety of electives in Western and Non-Western history are available to 11th and 12th graders as well. In the History Research Seminar elective, students explore areas of special interest. After intensive research, students write a paper with the goal of submitting the finished piece to a journal.

LANGUAGE

We offer Chinese, French, and Spanish through advanced levels. Following AP Spanish or AP French (or prior, with instructor approval), students may enroll in advanced courses: Hispanic (or French) Culture & Communication (HCC, FCC) and Hispanic (or French) Literature & Culture (HLC, FLC).

MATHEMATICS

Our math curriculum is rigorous and robust and requires students to think deeply about concepts and applications. We emphasize reasoning, computation, collaboration, and inquiry in our courses, which include Geometry through Pre-Calculus, AP Calculus, AP Statistics, Computer Science I and II, and a variety of one semester post-Calculus electives. The goal is to develop adaptable problem solvers and life-long learners who appreciate the joy of thought and have the reasoning skills needed to deal with new and complex situations.

RELIGION & PHILOSOPHY

Religion and philosophy courses are rigorous and comprehensive, requiring the reading of college level material and strong reasoning skills. Our courses help students develop an understanding of religious pluralism, the compelling practice of compassion, and the importance of ethical action.

SCIENCE

Students conduct extensive independent research projects in year-long science courses and often advance with projects from the school's regional science fair to competitions at higher levels. They have been successful in the Siemens (grand prize 2016) and Stockholm Junior Water Prize Competitions, the Regeneron Science Talent Search (finalist 2011, 2017), and the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (best in category 2013). The class of 2014 had a Google Science Fair finalist and a Davidson Fellow.

VISUAL, PERFORMING, AND MUSICAL ARTS

Courses are designed to develop student voice and agency through meaningful and authentic engagement in creative, iterative, and collaborative processes. Students develop domain-specific knowledge and foundational skills by exploring a variety of classes that integrate traditional and digital formats and refine their creative voice through inquiry-driven, student-centered work. Inquiry in Arts allows students to pursue independent study.

AP/HONORS

When evaluating OES transcripts, please note that we offer AP courses in our math and language departments. Honors-level courses are offered only in language, math, and science.

- **AP COURSES:** Calculus AB & BC, Statistics, French Language, Spanish Language
- **HONORS-LEVEL COURSES:** Chinese V, HCC, FCC, HLC, FLC; Computer Science II, Differential Equations, Honors Algebra 2, Honors Pre-Calculus, Intro to Analysis & Proof, Linear Algebra, Mathematical Modeling, Math Revolutions, Multi-Variable Calculus, Number Theory; Honors Biology, Honors Chemistry, Honors Physics

INDEPENDENT STUDY

Students approved for an Independent Study course by a department chair are encouraged to include a brief description of their goals and plans for the class in college applications.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

- **WINTERIM:** During a week in March, students participate in enrichment courses and trips.
- **SERVICE LEARNING:** In keeping with the school's mission, each student engages in two extended Service Learning Projects in the community, in addition to 60 hours of service on campus. Students are encouraged to volunteer in areas they are passionate about and to be involved in planning and reflecting on their service work.
- **DISCOVERY:** A five-day, 40-hour apprenticeship or career exploration is available to students in 10th–12th grade.

ATHLETICS

Athletic teams compete in soccer, cross country, volleyball, basketball, lacrosse, skiing, tennis, track, golf, and fencing. Since 2005 our girls' and boys' teams have won 32 state championships.

STATEMENT ON DISCIPLINE

It is OES's policy to notify those colleges that ask about disciplinary infractions. We report out-of-school suspensions, a pattern of significant violations of school rules, or dismissal.

Amherst College	Sacred Heart University
Barnard College	Santa Clara University
Bates College	Sarah Lawrence College
Boston University	Savannah College of Art and Design
Brandeis University	Scripps College
Brown University	Smith College
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	Southern Methodist University
Carleton College	St. John's College
Carnegie Mellon University	St. Olaf College
Case Western Reserve University	Stanford University
Chapman University	Swarthmore College
City University of Hong Kong	Syracuse University
Claremont McKenna College	Technische Universiteit Delft
Colorado College	Texas Christian University
Columbia University	Texas Tech University
Connecticut College	The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina
Cornell University	The College of Wooster
Deep Springs College	The New School
Denison University	The Ohio State University
Dickinson College	The University of Arizona
Durham University, England	The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Emerson College	The University of Texas, Austin
Emory University	Trinity College
Florida Institute of Technology	Trinity University
Fordham University	Tufts University
Georgetown University	United States Naval Academy
Gonzaga University	Universidad CEU San Pablo
Grinnell College	University of British Columbia
Hamilton College, NY	University of California, Davis, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Diego
Hampshire College	University of Colorado at Boulder
Harvard University	University of Denver
Harvey Mudd College	University of Hawaii at Manoa
Hobart and William Smith Colleges	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Howard University	University of Michigan
King's College London	University of Oregon
Lawrence University	University of Pennsylvania
Lehigh University	University of Portland
Linfield College	University of Puget Sound
Loyola Marymount University	University of Redlands
Macalester College	University of Richmond
Maryland Institute College of Art	University of Rochester
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	University of San Diego
Middlebury College	University of Southern California
Montana State University, Bozeman	University of Washington
New York University	Vassar College
Northeastern University	Washington University in St. Louis
Northwestern University	Wellesley College
Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences	Western Washington University
Occidental College	Westminster College
Oregon State University	Westmont College
Pennsylvania State University	Whitman College
Pitzer College	Willamette University
Pomona College	Williams College
Princeton University	
Purdue University	
Quest University Canada	
Reed College	
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	
Rochester Institute of Technology	