

## Representative College Acceptances

American University  
 Auburn University  
 Babson College  
 Baylor University  
 Biola University  
 Boston College  
 Boston Conservatory  
 Boston University  
 Brandeis University  
 Bucknell University  
 Calvin University  
 Carnegie Mellon University  
 Case Western Reserve University  
 Catholic University  
 Cedarville University  
 Christopher Newport University  
 Clemson University  
 College of William & Mary  
 Cornell University  
 Covenant College  
 Davidson College  
 Duke University  
 Duquesne University  
 Elon University  
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University  
 Emerson College  
 Emory University  
 Fordham University  
 Franklin & Marshall College  
 Furman University  
 George Mason University  
 George Washington University  
 Georgetown University  
 Georgia Tech University  
 Gettysburg College  
 Gordon College  
 Grove City College  
 Hampden-Sydney College  
 Howard University  
 Indiana University  
 James Madison University  
 Kenyon College  
 LeTourneau University  
 Liberty University  
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
 Miami University of Ohio  
 New York Conservatory for the Dramatic Arts  
 New York University  
 New York University – London  
 Northeastern University  
 Northwestern University  
 Ohio State University  
 Old Dominion University  
 Pennsylvania State University  
 Pepperdine University  
 Pratt Institute  
 Purdue University  
 Reed College  
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
 Rhodes College  
 Rice University  
 Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology  
 Rutgers University  
 St. John's College Santa Fe  
 St. Olaf College  
 Sarah Lawrence College  
 Savannah College of Art & Design  
 Southern Methodist University  
 Spelman College  
 Taylor University  
 Texas A&M University  
 Thomas Aquinas College  
 United States Air Force Academy  
 United States Coast Guard Academy  
 United States Military Academy  
 United States Naval Academy  
 University of Arizona  
 University of California Berkeley  
 University of California Los Angeles  
 University of Chicago  
 University of Connecticut  
 University of Florida  
 University of Georgia  
 University of Illinois  
 University of Kentucky  
 University of Mary Washington  
 University of Maryland College Park  
 University of Michigan  
 University of North Carolina Chapel Hill  
 University of Notre Dame  
 University of Oklahoma  
 University of Pittsburgh  
 University of Richmond  
 University of Southern California  
 University of Texas at Austin  
 University of Virginia  
 University of Wisconsin Madison  
 Vanderbilt University  
 Virginia Commonwealth University  
 Virginia Military Institute  
 Virginia Tech University  
 Wake Forest University  
 Washington & Lee University  
 Wellesley College  
 Wheaton College  
 Yale University



# TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

## 2019-2020 Upper School Profile

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### MISSION STATEMENT

Trinity Christian School exists to educate students to the glory of God by pursuing excellence for mind and heart.

### THE SCHOOL AND THE COMMUNITY

Trinity Christian School, located on a 25.5-acre campus in Fairfax County, Virginia, is an independent, inter-denominational Christian school enrolling 687 students in grades K-12, with 102 faculty members, 74 of whom work in the upper school with 55% of those holding advanced degrees. Founded in 1987, the school provides an intellectually engaging Christian education to families in the Northern Virginia region. Trinity pursues excellence in the areas of truth, courage, and service by offering a rigorous curriculum in all grades, and a wide variety of co-curricular offerings including athletics, technology, visual and performing arts, a weekly chapel program, and mission service opportunities.

### ACCREDITATION

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS CASI), an accreditation division of AdvancED

### MEMBERSHIPS

Evangelical Council on Financial Accountability (ECFA)  
 National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC)  
 Potomac and Chesapeake Association for College Admission Counseling (PCACAC)  
 Virginia Council for Private Education (VCPE)

### ENROLLMENT

Total K-12	687
Upper School	404
Class of 2020	70

### ACT/SAT SUMMARY

Classes of 2015-2019

ACT Mean	27
ACT Middle 50%	25-30
SAT Mean	Critical Reading: 643 Math: 627
SAT Middle 50%	(CR & M only) 1160-1370

### NMSQT/PSAT RESULTS

Classes of 2015-2019

National Merit Finalists	2
National Merit Commended Scholars	29
National Hispanic Recognition Program	2

### GRADING SCALE

**Trinity Christian School does not rank students.** Effective 2015-2016, Trinity Christian School implemented a modified 10-point grading scale. Credits earned prior to August 1, 2015, follow the former grading scale as indicated below. Honors courses are awarded an additional .5 quality point, and AP courses are awarded an additional 1.0 quality point on both scales. Transfer credits are not included in GPA.

CURRENT SCALE					
A	93-100	4.0	C	73-76	2.0
A-	90-92	3.7	C-	70-72	1.7
B+	87-89	3.3	D+	67-69	1.3
B	83-86	3.0	D	64-66	1.0
B-	80-82	2.7	F	0-63	0
C+	77-79	2.3			

FORMER SCALE					
A	94-100	4.0	C+	80-81	2.3
A-	92-93	3.7	C	74-79	2.0
B+	90-91	3.3	D	68-73	1.0
B	84-89	3.0	F	0-67	0
B-	82-83	2.7			

## THE CURRICULUM

Trinity Christian School offers a college-preparatory curriculum. Since approximately 95% of Trinity graduates attend four-year colleges upon graduation, emphasis is placed not only on teaching content, but also on developing lifelong learners who are adept at reading, writing, and critical reasoning.

In addition to a rigorous academic curriculum, TCS offers its students the opportunity to grow in character and develop the gift of service through an in-depth chapel program, educational internships in K-12 classes, peer tutoring and mentoring, a student seminar, and faculty-directed, student-staffed math and writing labs.

**Senior Capstone Thesis:** The Trinity curriculum culminates in a 15-20 page comprehensive worldview thesis. In the spring, seniors orally defend their theses before a formal panel of faculty and administrators.

**Educational Internship:** Juniors and seniors who have an interest in teaching or have demonstrated excellence in a particular subject are partnered with teachers in lower or upper school, assisting in the classroom and ultimately preparing and presenting limited lessons.

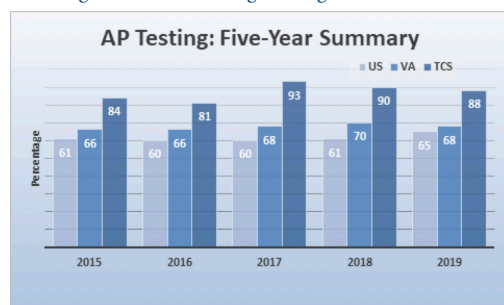
## CLASS OF 2020 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Christian Studies	4 credits	Foreign Languages	3 credits in 1 language or 2 credits each in 2 languages
English	4 credits	Visual & Performing Arts	1 credit
Social Studies	4 credits	Physical Education	1 credit
Lab Sciences	4 credits (Biology, Chemistry required)	Electives	3 credits
Mathematics	4 credits (Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2 required)		

**Community Service:** Students in grades 9-12 are required to complete a minimum of 40 hours of community service each year. Over the past five years, 218 Trinity students have received the President's Volunteer Service Award in recognition of 100 or more hours of community service per year.

## AP TESTING: FIVE-YEAR SCHOOL SUMMARY

Percentage of students scoring 3 or higher on AP Exams.



### AP Classes

Students enrolled in an AP class are required to take the AP exam. Placement in AP classes is by teacher recommendation and principal approval.

2-D Art and Design	Environmental Science
3-D Art and Design	European History
Calculus AB	Music Theory
Chemistry	Physics 1: Algebra-based
Computer Science A	Physics 2: Algebra-based
Computer Science Principles	Statistics
Drawing	United States Government & Politics
English Language & Composition	United States History
English Literature & Composition	

## COURSE OFFERINGS

**AP and Honors classes appear in bold.** Placement in AP and Honors classes is by teacher recommendation and principal approval. Courses in italics are ½ credit.

### CHRISTIAN STUDIES

Old Testament Survey  
New Testament Survey  
*Christian Doctrine*  
*Christian Ethics in Contemporary Culture*  
*World Religions*  
Apologetics

### ENGLISH

Research, Writing & Rhetoric  
**Honors Research, Writing & Rhetoric**  
World Literature  
**Honors World Literature**  
American Literature  
**AP English Language & Composition**  
British Literature  
**AP English Literature & Composition**

### SOCIAL STUDIES

World History 1  
World History 2  
**AP European History**

United States History  
**AP United States History**  
Political Theory & Government  
**AP United States Government & Politics**

### LAB SCIENCES

Biology  
**Honors Biology**  
Chemistry  
**Honors Chemistry**  
**AP Chemistry**  
Physics  
**AP Physics 1**  
**AP Physics 2**  
**AP Environmental Science**  
Anatomy & Physiology  
Astronomy\*  
Marine Biology\*  
Introduction to Engineering

### MATHEMATICS

Algebra 1-A  
Algebra 1

### Honors Algebra 1

Geometry  
**Honors Geometry**  
Algebra 2  
*Trigonometry*  
**Honors Algebra 2/Trigonometry**  
Precalculus  
**Honors Precalculus**  
Calculus  
**AP Calculus AB**  
Statistics  
**AP Statistics**

### FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Spanish 1  
Spanish 2  
Spanish 3  
**Honors Spanish 4**  
French 1  
French 2  
French 3  
**Honors French 4**  
Latin 1  
Latin 2  
Latin 3  
**Honors Latin 4**  
Koine Greek 1

### VISUAL ARTS

Art Foundations  
Drawing & Painting  
**AP Drawing**  
Photography & Graphic Design  
**AP 2-D Art and Design**  
Sculpture & Design  
**AP 3-D Art and Design**

### PERFORMING ARTS

**AP Music Theory**  
*Theatre Arts 1*  
*Theatre Arts 2*  
Symphonic Band  
Wind Ensemble  
**Honors Jazz Band**  
Symphonic Orchestra  
Philharmonic Orchestra  
**Honors Chamber Players**  
Chorale  
Concert Choir  
**Honors Choral Ensemble**

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

*Health*

*Lifestyle Fitness*  
*Weight Training*

### ELECTIVES

**AP Computer Science A**  
**AP Computer Science Principles**  
Yearbook  
Advanced Yearbook  
Journalism  
*Intro to Constitutional Law*  
*Intro to Microeconomics*  
*Philosophy*  
*Creative Writing*  
*Debate*  
Foundations in Writing  
*From Print to Film*  
*Leadership*  
*Personal Finance & Business*  
*Psychology*  
*Educational Internship*  
Executive Function Study Hall  
ESOL  
NILD

\*Offered alternate years

## ATHLETICS

As a member of the Delaney Athletic Conference and the Virginia Independent Schools Athletic Association, Trinity offers the following Varsity sports.

Boys Baseball*	Boys Lacrosse	Coed Golf	Girls Basketball*	Girls Field Hockey	Girls Tennis
Boys Basketball*	Boys Soccer*	Coed Swim	Girls Cheerleading	Girls Lacrosse	Girls Volleyball*
Boys Cross Country	Boys Tennis	Coed Track	Girls Cross Country	Girls Soccer	

\*Junior Varsity offered

Effective 2018-2019, Trinity Christian School no longer transcripts athletic participation.