Convent of the Sacred Heart High School 2022-23 Profile

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SACRED HEART SAN FRANCISCO

Founded in 1887, Convent of the Sacred Heart High School is an independent Catholic school that provides excellence in education and prepares graduates to be active, informed and compassionate members of a global society. Engaging students in a culture of deep learning and thinking, the academic curriculum is designed to strengthen essential skills of communication, collaboration, critical analysis and cultural competency. Students cultivate a deep respect for intellectual values, learning how to communicate what they know and what they believe. In partnership with Stuart Hall, Convent offers academic and co-curricular programming in both single-sex and coed settings, tailored to develop the academic potential of each student. Our young men and women explore their interests and grow alongside each other as social and intellectual peers.

MISSION & FIVE GOALS

Convent engages a relevant foundational mission and embraces our five unifying Goals and Criteria, while looking ahead to ask what skills will be needed in the future.

OUR MISSION

Convent & Stuart Hall educates mind, Heart and body, animating a zeal for discovery, inspiring a passion for justice and nurturing the strength to transform.

SACRED HEART GOALS

A personal and active faith in God

A deep respect for intellectual values

A social awareness that impels to action

The building of community as a Christian value

Personal growth in an atmosphere of wise freedom

OUR COMMITMENT TO SOCIAL AWARENESS AND ACTION

Awareness of local and global needs is an integral component of a Sacred Heart education. Students collaborate on service projects and community involvement. Theology courses in ethics and social justice theory illumniate issues of injustice and impel students to action. Interdisciplinary course readings and seminar discussions inspire a reflective, ethical and global perspective as Convent students develop their voices in service of their world.

OUR GLOBAL IDENTITY

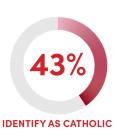
Since its beginning, Sacred Heart education has held a deep respect for the capacity of young people, believing that a rigorous education, which challenges the intellect and nourishes the spirit, would prepare students to be wise and effective leaders in service of their world and its future. There are now 150 Sacred Heart schools and communities in 42 countries.











OUR CURRICULAR PROGRAM

The high school curriculum at Convent engages and challenges the whole person — in mind, Heart and body. The freshman and sophomore years provide foundational avenues of inquiry and discovery, engaging students in essential strategies of critical reasoning and advancing written and presentational communication skills across all subjects. The ninth and tenth grade preparation sets the foundation for programming in the junior and senior years, which includes the options of the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme and Advanced Placement offerings, along with a suite of higher level teacher-curated courses at regular and honors levels. Convent follows a block schedule that rotates eight academic periods. All students enroll in six academic classes; a seventh elective class may be added in a particular field of interest.

FACULTY EXPERTISE

Convent's faculty are experts in their field of study and creative practitioners in the classroom. Every employee is charged to excel professionally and uphold the Goals and Criteria of the Sacred Heart. Among the Convent & Stuart Hall faculty, 90% hold an advanced degree and our teachers are educational thought leaders and graduates of universities from across the globe.

GRADING POLICY

Through the 2020-21 academic year, yearlong courses received two semester grades. Beginning in the 2021-22 academic year, yearlong courses receive a single year-end grade. We use an A-F grading scale. The school calculates both a weighted and unweighted GPA with IB, AP and honors courses receiving an extra point. The unweighted GPA is the official grade of record. Given the rigorous curriculum taken by all students, the school does not rank.

COVID-19 IMPACT ON SCHOOL-BASED INSTRUCTION FROM SPRING 2020-PRESENT

In Spring 2020, Convent transitioned to online learning in response to COVID-19. Classes were offered on a daily, synchronous schedule until the end of the semester, and letter grades were awarded to students based on semester performance.

In November 2020, Convent returned to in-person learning and students continued to engage in a full 6-7 course load but with a semester divided into four 4.5 week sessions with up to two intensive courses per session. Each course block was equivalent to a semester course and received a semester credit.

In August 2021, students returned to a block schedule that rotated eight instructional periods.

CLASS OF 2023 PROFILE

As a Sacred Heart school, we are committed to nurturing a robustly diverse community where each member is invited to live fully into her gifts: intellectually, spiritually, physically and personally.

Average unweighted GPA is 3.8	
Average weighted GPA is 4.3	
Senior class enrollment is 58	
Average class size is 15	

SEQUENCE OF COURSE OFFERINGS & GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

		FRESHMAN	SOPHOMORE	JUNIOR	SENIOR	
English 4 years required		English I Honors English I	English II Honors English II	American Literature Honors American Literature English IB HL1	World Literature AP English Literature & Composition English IB HL2	
History & Socia 3 years required	al Sciences	History of the Ancient World	United States History AP Art History AP Human Geography AP US History	Clashing Ideologies: The Cold War Economics: Principles & Practice Gender, Power & Ethics Oral History of the Civil Rights Movement The Evolution of Protest in the 20th Century The Modern Middle East AP Art History AP Human Geography Global Politics IB SL, HL1 History IB SL, HL1 World Religions IB SL	Gender, Power & Ethics Macroeconomics Microeconomics The Evolution of Protest in the 20th Century AP Art History AP Human Geography AP Microeconomics Global Politics IB SL, HL2 History IB SL History of SE Asia and Oceania IB HL2 World Religions IB SL	
Mathematics 3 years required; 4 years recommended		Algebra I Geometry Honors Geometry Algebra II Honors Algebra II	Geometry Honors Geometry Algebra II Honors Algebra II Honors Precalculus Introduction to Coding	Algebra II Honors Algebra II Precalculus Honors Precalculus AP Calculus AB AP Computer Science A Computer Science IB SL, HL1 Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches IB SL, HL1 Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation IB SL, HL1	Precalculus Honors Precalculus Calculus AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Statistics Computer Science IB SL, HL2 Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches IB SL, HL2 Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation IB SL, HL2	
Science 3 years required		Physics Honors Physics	Chemistry Honors Chemistry	Biology AP Biology AP Chemistry Biology IB SL, HL1 Chemistry IB HL1 Environmental Systems and Societies IB SL Physics IB SL, HL1	Astronomy Human Biology AP Biology AP Physics C Biology IB SL, HL1 Chemistry IB SL, HL1 Environmental Systems and Societies IB SL Physics IB SL, HL1	
Modern & Classical Language 3 years required of same language		(Grade level when enrolled is based on accomplished pre-requisites) French I, II, III, IV · Honors French III, IV · AP French · French IB SL, HL Spanish I, II, III, IV · AP Spanish · Spanish IB SL, HL Mandarin I, II, III, IV, V · AP Chinese · Mandarin IB SL, HL Latin I, II, III, IV · Latin IB SL, HL				
Religion, Theol & Spirituality 3.5 years required		Question of Religion in Society World Religions	Ethics & Moral Decision Making	Beyond Science and Religion in the Ancient, Medieval, and Modern Eras Gender, Power & Ethics Leading the Mind, Body & Spirit through Sport Theory of Knowledge IB	Beyond Science and Religion in the Ancient, Medieval, and Modern Eras Gender, Power & Ethics Leading the Mind, Body & Spirit through Sport Sacred Heart Goals Seminar Theory of Knowledge IB	
Visual & Performing Arts 1 year required	Visual Arts	Art Foundations I: Studio Art Art Foundations I: Digital Design	Art Foundations II: Studio Art Art Foundations II: Digital Design	Advanced Art Portfolio I, II Portfolio Production Visual Arts IB SL, HL1	Advanced Art Portfolio I, II Portfolio Production Visual Arts IB SL, HL2	
	Performing Arts	Choir Jazz Band	Choir Drama Jazz Band Musical Theater	Choir Drama Jazz Band Musical Theater Music IB SL, HL1	Choir Drama Jazz Band Musical Theater Music IB SL, HL2	

2019-22 CONVENT OF THE SACRED HEART HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE MATRICULATION

Accreditations & Memberships

National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC); National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS); Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) American University Barnard College

Bates College

Belmont University

Boston College

Boston University

Brown University

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

California State University, Long Beach

Carnegie Mellon University

Chapman University

Colby College

Colgate University

College of the Holy Cross

Colorado College

Colorado State University

Columbia University

Cornell University

DePaul University

Dickinson College

Duke University

Elon University

Fairfield University

Fordham University

George Washington University

Georgetown University

Gonzaga University

Harvard University

Hofstra University

Kenyon College

Lehigh University

Loyola Marymount University

Loyola University Chicago

Loyola University New Orleans

Marquette University

New York University

Northeastern University

Northwestern University

Parsons School of Design at

the New School

Pepperdine University

Pratt Institute

Reed College

Saint Mary's College of California

San Diego State University

San Francisco State University

Santa Barbara City College

Santa Clara University

Sarah Lawrence College

School of Visual Arts

Sciences Po Paris

Scripps College

Seattle University

Skidmore College

Southern Methodist University

Stanford University

Stevens Institute of Technology

Syracuse University

Texas Christian University

The American University

of Paris

The New School

Tufts University

Tulane University

University College London

University of California,

Berkeley

University of California,

Davis

University of California,

Irvine

University of California,

Los Angeles

University of California, San Diego

University of California, Santa Barbara

University of Chicago

University of Colorado Boulder

University of Denver

University of Hawai'i at Manoa

University of Miami

University of Michigan

University of Nevada, Reno

University of Notre Dame

University of Oregon

University of Portland

University of Puget Sound

University of Rochester

University of San Diego

University of San Francisco

University of Southern

California

University of Vermont

University of Virginia

University of Washington

Villanova University

Wake Forest University

Washington and Lee University

Washington University in

St. Louis

Wellesley College

Western Washington University

Whittier College

Xavier University of Louisiana