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# IMAGINE YOUR FUTURE





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When we learn to communicate with each other, we gain a better understanding of one another. The co-ed learning environment at Saint Francis gives our students a real-world advantage. It is a safe, supportive community where they learn to work together and respect each other.

- Direct, daily interactions with boys and girls
- Balanced male/female faculty and staff
- Equal leadership opportunities
- Respectful, supportive friendships

Since our founding by the Brothers of Holy Cross over 60 years ago, the Saint Francis experience has been centered on the core beliefs of the order. These core values are the **BRIC** of our community.

HOPE

RESPECT

INTEGRITY

FAMILY

**B** Bring hope by changing the world through Christ's love.

**R** Respect others by seeing the face of Christ in everyone.

**I** Inspire integrity of the heart and mind by being true to the Gospel in word and action.

**C** Celebrate family by building a loving Holy Cross community.

Rooted in Holy Cross tradition

Our school community embodies these ideas through our spiritual, intellectual and social programs. They are the cornerstone of all we do at **Saint Francis High School**.



# The Co-ed Advantage



Communicating with peers who have different perspectives and experiences increases our understanding of each other and the world around us. The co-ed learning environment at Saint Francis gives us the opportunity to learn from each other, work together and create a shared beloved community.

- Direct, daily interactions with students who have diverse identities
- Leadership opportunities for all students in a variety of settings
- Respectful, supportive relationships with peers



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# Under





# Construction:

## *Building Community*



**6**

3D printers

**3**

CNC mills

**29**

classrooms  
and labs with  
flexible seating  
to accommodate  
varied learning  
styles

**200**

seat  
black-box  
theater

## A Vision of the Future

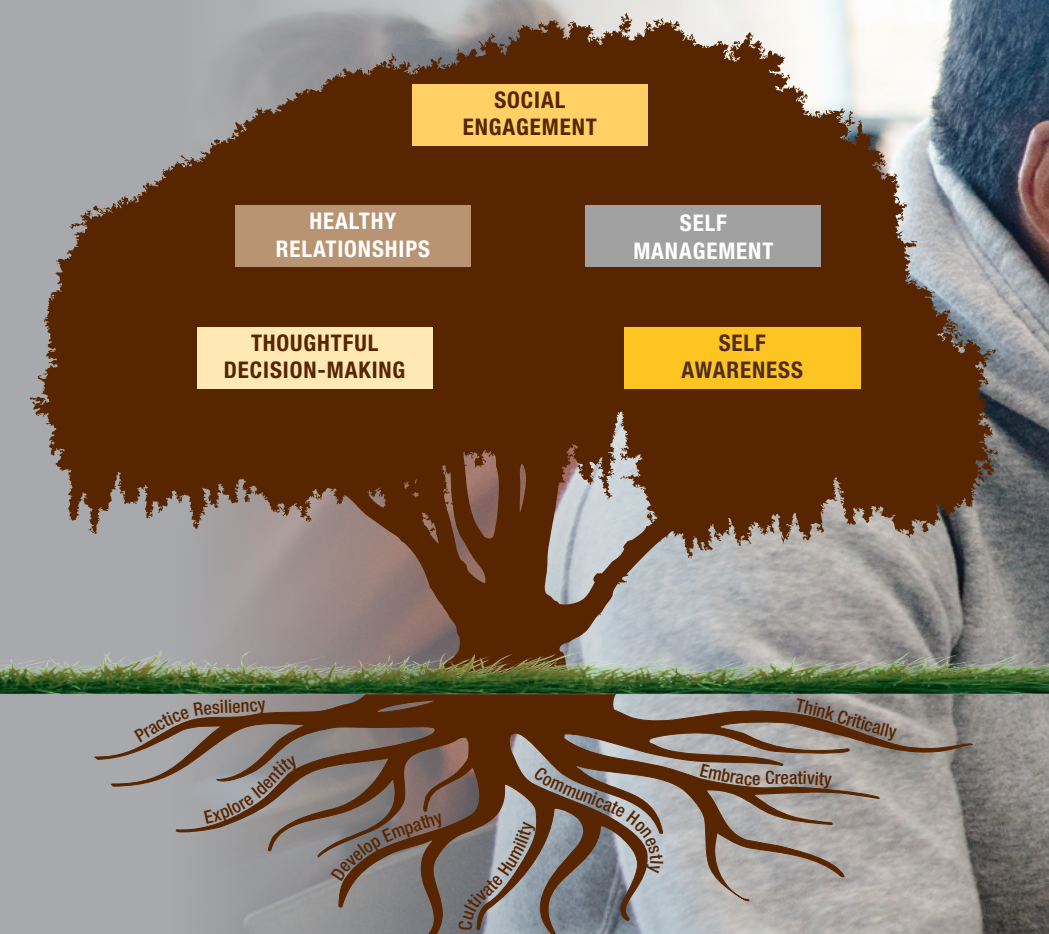
Our new Innovation Center will give Saint Francis an opportunity to think creatively about how we use campus space.

- Lobby designed to mimic collegiate and corporate collaborative spaces
- Glass cube seating for small group collaboration
- Fully integrated rooftop garden area with great views of Mountain View for visual engagement with the larger community
- Accordion door in the Innovation Lab that opens for presentations
- Maker Space with distinct areas for woodworking, welding, painting and finishing



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# Social-Emo



## A Better Way to Learn

As a Holy Cross school committed to the physical, social, and emotional safety of all students, Saint Francis supports the needs of students in and out of the classroom. The Social-Emotional Learning Program (SEL) at Saint Francis uses data-driven, research-based practices to inform the intentional inclusion of SEL skills in all of our classes and programs. Research shows that the development of these foundational skills leads to a number of positive outcomes that help students thrive in high school and beyond, including higher resilience, increased empathy, better peer and adult relationships, and better coping skills.

## SEL Program





# tional Learning



## *SF Thrive* Advisory

The *SF Thrive* Advisory program includes a class that all students take, matching students with an on-campus advisor and a group of peers to help cultivate critical SEL skills. The class remains consistent across years, so students feel like they belong to a structured, positive peer group. Advisory class is a space to check in, develop and practice SEL skills, and build community.





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# Academic

At Saint Francis, we believe in a well-developed curriculum with diverse offerings that is rooted in Catholic teachings on social justice.

Our curriculum provides a solid foundation in humanities, arts, and sciences, and offers forward-thinking classes that give students the ability to stretch their knowledge in the arts, language, technology and religious studies.

Our inclusive curriculum provides a solid foundation of critical thinking and skill development that gives students the ability to challenge their thinking and expand their knowledge. Students learn to think critically and creatively in a collaborative, supportive, co-ed environment.

Graduates are compassionate leaders of impact in society and the environment, prepared for post-high school experiences at colleges, universities and the workplace. With more than 120 courses in nine departments, students have the opportunity to select classes that reflect their interests, align with their goals and challenge their thinking.

## Honors and Advanced Placement Courses

### English

English I Honors  
English 2 Honors  
AP Language  
AP Literature

### World Language

French 5 Honors  
Spanish 3 Honors  
AP Chinese Language  
AP French Language  
AP Spanish Language  
AP Spanish Literature

### Mathematics

Algebra Honors  
Geometry Honors  
Advanced Algebra/Trig Honors  
Precalculus Honors  
AP Statistics  
AP Calculus-AB  
AP Calculus-BC  
AP Computer Science

### Science

Biology Honors  
Chemistry Honors  
Physics Honors  
AP Biology  
AP Chemistry  
AP Environmental Science  
AP Physics

### Social Studies

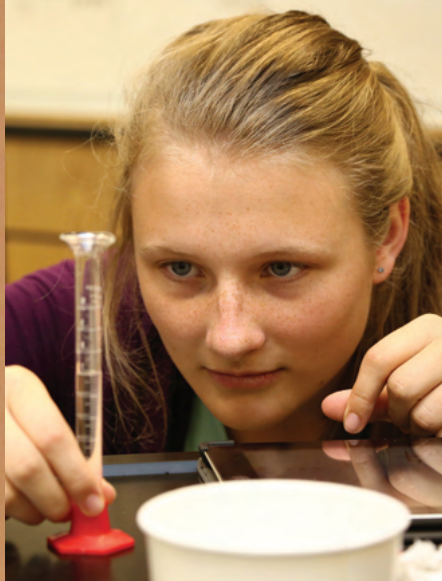
AP World History  
AP Government  
AP Macroeconomics  
AP Psychology  
AP US History

### Visual and Performing Arts

AP Music Theory  
AP Studio Art







# Excellence

Our educators are passionate professionals whose objectives are to create inclusive spaces for students to love learning and think critically. Many of our teachers hold advanced degrees and are experts in the fields they teach. Our faculty members believe in the Holy Cross tradition and are role models who, through wisdom and example, inspire students to reach their full potential.

A distinct characteristic of Holy Cross educators is their commitment to students' development as empathetic, compassionate, humble advocates of social justice. Educators emphasize these characteristics in the classroom and in the spaces where they moderate clubs and coach.

## TEACHERS

- 100% serve as coaches or moderators
- 26 served as chaperons for immersion trips
- 60 coach athletic teams
- 70 moderate clubs and activities





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### Graduation Requirements by Semester

English	8
Social Studies	6
Religious Studies	8
Visual & Performing Arts	2
Mathematics	6
Science	6
World Language	4
Health and Fitness	2
Ethnic Studies	2
Community Service	50 hours



Saint Francis students typically take six or seven academic courses per year. Nationwide, colleges and universities recognize that our academic course offerings prepare students for the rigors of college. Courses are taught at the college preparatory level and in accordance with state graduation requirements. In addition, Saint Francis requires students to complete eight semesters of religious studies.

# Four-year Academic Plan

Freshman Year	Sophomore Year	Junior Year	Senior Year
English	English	English	English
Religious Studies	Hebrew Scriptures/New Testament	Social Justice/Moral Issues	Christian Vocation/Selective
Math	Math	Math	US Government/Economics
World Language	Science	Science	Science
Science	World Language	US History	World Language
Health and Fitness	World History/Geography	World Language	Math
Elective	Elective	Elective	Free Period or Elective

# Elective Courses

<b>Academic Electives</b> Advanced Speech and Rhetoric AP Psychology Argumentation and Debate Biomedical Ethics Case Studies in Human Rights Case Studies in Asia and Africa Contemporary American Issues Contemporary World Problems Creative Writing Ethnic Studies Facing History History and Politics of the Olympics Introduction to Psychology Irish Literature Journalism Leadership Speech 1 Western Tragedy and African Hope	<b>Junior Selectives</b> Activist Literature Feminist Literature Dystopian Literature Modern Drama Indigenous Peoples Literature Sports, Literature and Culture  <b>World Languages</b> American Sign Language Chinese French Spanish  <b>Health and Fitness</b> Advanced Team Sports 1 and 2 Advanced Weight Training and Conditioning 1 and 2 Aquatic Fitness Core Fitness Fitness for Life Mindfulness Net Games Speed and Agility	<b>Religious Studies</b> <b>Selectives: Seniors</b> Christianity and Philosophy Christian Spirituality Design Thinking for Justice Spiritual Ecology Sports and Spirituality Racial Justice and the American Church World Religions  <b>Design</b> AP Computer Science Computer Programming Bioprinting Designing Systems for Gender Equity Design Thinking Engineering Entrepreneurship History of Science Independent Inquiry Robotics  <b>Visual and Performing Arts</b> Acting for Musical Theater Advanced Art Advanced Dance	Advanced Guitar AP Music Theory AP Studio Art Art and Cultures of the World Basic Design/Drawing 1 Beginning Classical Guitar Ceramics 1 and 2 Chamber Choir Concert Band 1 Concert Choir 1 – 4 Dance 1 Design Thinking Digital 2D Animation Digital Music Digital Photography Drama 1 – 4 Drawing and Composition 2 Graphic Arts Improvisational Theater Jazz Band Painting 1 Percussion Ensemble Printmaking Symphonic Band 2 – 5 Technical Drawing Technical Theater Video Production
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# commit Faith

Inspiration is found all around us. In the tradition of Holy Cross, Saint Francis welcomes students of all faiths and backgrounds. All students are invited to participate in Campus Ministry's programs. We are proud to be a community that respects and celebrates religious diversity.



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Worldwide  
Campus Ministry  
Immersion

## SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

Saint Francis works to foster spiritual growth in all of our students. Retreats, school-wide liturgies, service projects, Wednesday morning prayer meetings and immersion trips allow students to put their faith into action, celebrate their beliefs and become community stewards. In addition to developing a broader understanding of their world, Campus Ministry programs give students context for their faith development and inspiration to do more in life.

## Campus Ministry Immersion Trips

- Appalachia Region
- East Los Angeles, CA
- El Paso, TX
- Hayward, CA
- Houston, TX
- New Orleans, LA
- Pine Ridge Reservation, SD
- Puerto Rico



# Spirituality



## Reflection

Spiritual development is an integral part of the Holy Cross student. Our retreat programs are designed to give students an opportunity to step away from their everyday routines of school and activities and learn to understand the importance of reflection and prayer.

- Freshman Welcome Day Retreat
- Freshman Service Learning Day
- Sophomore Service Learning Day
- Junior Overnight Retreat
- Senior Holy Cross Two-Night Retreat



## Leadership Opportunities

**Ignite Youth Group** meets monthly during morning collaborations and evenings. Students share their **faith, pray and help plan prayer services including school liturgies, service trips** and the **Jesus-Reframed retreat**.

The Campus Ministry Office hosts Wednesday morning prayer services at 7:45 a.m. around the flag pole in the Quad. Students have opportunities to lead a morning prayer and to share their own reflections on that day's Bible passage.



## The Guidance and College Counseling Department

The Saint Francis Guidance and College Counseling Center provides more than a guidance service for choosing a college; it is an educational program designed to assist students in identifying their aspirations for the future. We strive to help each student develop his or her academic strengths and preferences.

Freshman counselors will focus on supporting our newest Lancers in the adjustment to high school, provide academic and personal counseling and ensure every student experiences a smooth transition from middle school to their first year of high school. Topics such as making connections, time management and an introduction to counseling services will be explored in small group settings, and Freshman counselors are available to any student for an individual counseling appointment to discuss academic planning as well as provide support for a student's wellness.

Students will then transition to a Guidance and College Counselor who they will work with from Sophomore through Senior year. Through a variety of classroom presentations, group meetings and individual guidance, students are assisted in selecting a college that matches their academic goals.

### Services the Guidance and College Counseling Department provides include:

1. Guidance to students in appropriate course selection to meet graduation and college requirements
2. Assistance with identifying strengths and preferences that may lead to potential majors in college or careers
3. Referrals for educational testing or psychological support services
4. A comprehensive college advising program that offers:
  - Student and parent college workshops
  - Weekly Senior college and career newsletters
  - Financial Aid, NCAA and college admission testing information nights
  - College coffee talks for parents
  - College admission representative visits
  - Screencasts and webinars on important college topics



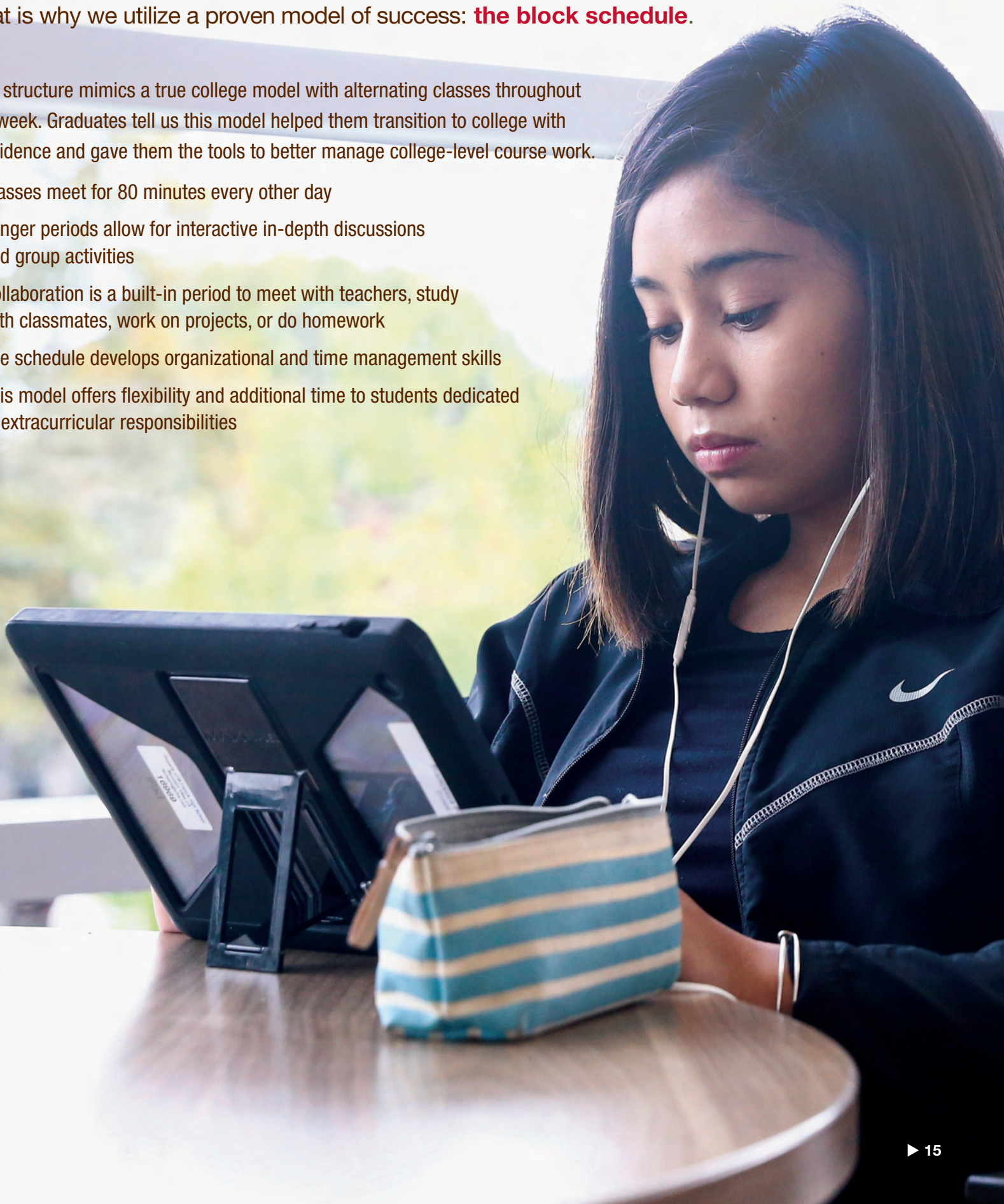


# Discernment

Saint Francis believes preparing for college begins in high school. That is why we utilize a proven model of success: **the block schedule**.

This structure mimics a true college model with alternating classes throughout the week. Graduates tell us this model helped them transition to college with confidence and gave them the tools to better manage college-level course work.

- Classes meet for 80 minutes every other day
- Longer periods allow for interactive in-depth discussions and group activities
- Collaboration is a built-in period to meet with teachers, study with classmates, work on projects, or do homework
- The schedule develops organizational and time management skills
- This model offers flexibility and additional time to students dedicated to extracurricular responsibilities





## Class of 2020 College Profile

Saint Francis graduates from the past three years have attended the following colleges and universities. For the class of 2020, 95.0% of students matriculated in a four-year institution. Bolded names indicate that a 2020 graduate matriculated to that school.

### CALIFORNIA COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

**Azusa Pacific University**  
**Biola University**  
 Cabrillo College  
 California Baptist University  
 California College of the Arts  
**California Institute of Technology**  
 California Jazz Conservatory  
 California Lutheran University  
**California Polytechnic State University, Pomona**  
**California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo**  
**California State University, Chico**  
 California State University, Dominguez Hills  
 California State University, East Bay  
**California State University, Fresno**  
**California State University, Fullerton**  
**California State University, Long Beach**  
**California State University, Monterey Bay**  
 California State University, Sacramento  
 Canada College  
**Chapman University**  
 City College of San Francisco  
**College of San Mateo**  
 Claremont McKenna College  
 College of the Alameda  
**College of San Mateo**  
 Concordia University-Irvine  
**De Anza College**  
 Dominican University of California  
 Folsom Lake College  
 Foothill College  
 Gavilan College  
 Harvey Mudd College  
 Mission College  
 Occidental College  
 Ohlone College  
**Pepperdine University**  
 Pitzer College  
 Point Loma Nazarene University  
**San Diego State University**  
**San Francisco State University**  
**San José State University**  
**Santa Barbara City College**  
 Santa Monica College  
**Scripps College**  
 Skyline College  
 Sonoma State University  
**Stanford University**  
**University of California, Berkeley**  
**University of California, Davis**  
**University of California, Irvine**  
**University of California, Los Angeles**  
**University of California, Merced**

**University of California, Riverside**  
**University of California, San Diego**  
**University of California, Santa Barbara**  
**University of California, Santa Cruz**  
**University of Redlands**  
**University of Southern California**  
**University of the Pacific**  
**West Valley College**  
 Whittier College

### CATHOLIC COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

**Boston College**  
 Catholic University of America  
**College of the Holy Cross**  
**Creighton University**  
 DePaul University  
**Fairfield University**  
**Fordham University**  
**Georgetown University**  
**Gonzaga University**  
**John Carroll University**  
**Loyola Marymount University**  
**Loyola University Chicago**  
**Marquette University**  
 Notre Dame de Namur University  
 Rivier University  
**Saint Edward's University**  
 Saint Louis University  
**Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College**  
**Saint Mary's College**  
**Saint Mary's College of California**  
**Santa Clara University**  
**Seattle University**  
 Seton Hall University  
 St. John's University  
 St. Norbert College  
**Stonehill College**  
 University of Dayton  
 University of Detroit Mercy  
 University of Mary  
 University of Notre Dame  
**University of Portland**  
**University of San Diego**  
 University of San Francisco  
 University of St. Thomas  
**University of the Incarnate Word**  
**Villanova University**  
 Xavier University

### OUT-OF-STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Adelphi University  
**American University**  
**Amherst College**  
 Arcadia University  
 Arizona State University  
**Arizona State University - Tempe**  
 Aurora University  
 Babson College  
 Bard College

**Barnard College**  
 Bates College  
**Baylor University**  
**Belmont University**  
 Berklee College of Music  
**Boise State University**  
**Boston University**  
 Bowdoin College  
 Brandeis University  
**Brown University**  
 Bryn Mawr College  
 Bucknell University  
 Butler University  
 Carnegie Mellon University  
**Carson Newman University**  
 Case Western Reserve University  
 Chatham University  
 Colgate University  
**College of the Holy Cross**  
 Colorado Christian University  
 Colorado College  
 Colorado Mesa University  
 Colorado State University  
 Colorado State University, Fort Collins  
**Columbia University in the City of New York**  
**Cornell University**  
**Dartmouth College**  
**Davis & Elkins College**  
 Drake University  
 Drexel University  
**Duke University**  
 Elon University  
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University  
**Emerson College**  
**Emory University, Oxford College**  
 Furman University  
 George Washington University  
 Georgia Institute of Technology  
 Goucher College  
 Grinnell College  
 Hamilton College  
 Harvard College  
 Harvard University  
**Hawai'i Pacific University**  
 Howard University  
**Indiana University at Bloomington**  
 Iowa State University  
**Johns Hopkins University**  
**Lafayette College**  
 Laney College  
 Lawrence University  
 Lehigh University  
**Lewis & Clark College**  
 Marymount Manhattan College  
**Massachusetts Institute of Technology**  
 Miami University, Oxford  
**Michigan State University**  
**Montana State University**  
 New Mexico State University  
**New York University**  
**Northeastern University**

Northern Arizona University  
**Northwestern University**  
**Nova Southeastern University**  
 Olin College of Engineering  
**Oregon State University**  
 Pace University  
 Pennsylvania State University  
 Pratt Institute  
 Princeton University  
 Purdue University  
**Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute**  
 Rhode Island School of Design  
**Rice University**  
**Rochester Institute of Technology**  
**Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology**  
 Rutgers University - New Brunswick  
**Sarah Lawrence College**  
**Southern Methodist University**  
 Southern Oregon University  
 St. Olaf College  
**Syracuse University**  
**Temple University**  
**Texas A&M University, College Station**  
 Texas A&M University  
**Texas Christian University**  
 Texas Southern University  
 The George Washington University  
 The New School  
 The Ohio State University  
**The University of Alabama**  
**The University of Arizona**  
**The University of Tennessee, Knoxville**  
**The University of Texas at Austin**  
 Trinity University  
**Tufts University**  
 Tulane University  
 United States Air Force Academy  
 United States Military Academy  
 United States Naval Academy  
 University of Chicago  
 University of Cincinnati  
**University of Colorado at Boulder**  
 University of Colorado at Colorado Springs  
 University of Colorado at Denver  
 University of Connecticut  
**University of Denver**  
**University of Hawaii at Manoa**  
**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**  
 University of Kansas  
 University of Maine  
 University of Maryland  
**University of Maryland, College Park**  
 University of Massachusetts Amherst  
**University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth**  
 University of Massachusetts Lowell

**University of Miami**  
**University of Michigan, Ann Arbor**  
**University of Minnesota, Twin Cities**  
**University of Mississippi**  
 University of Missouri  
 University of Nevada, Las Vegas  
**University of Nevada, Reno**  
 University of New Hampshire at Durham  
**University of Nevada, Reno**  
**University of New Hampshire, Main Campus**  
 University of New Mexico, Main Campus  
 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
 University of North Texas  
 University of Oklahoma  
**University of Oregon**  
**University of Pennsylvania**  
**University of Pittsburgh**  
 University of Puget Sound  
**University of the Incarnate Word**  
 University of the Sciences in Philadelphia  
**University of Utah**  
 University of Vermont  
**University of Washington**  
**University of Wisconsin, Madison**  
 University of Wyoming  
 Utah State University  
 Valparaiso University  
 Vanderbilt University  
**Villanova University**  
 Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
 Virginia Tech  
 Washington State University  
**Washington University in St. Louis**  
**Western Washington University**  
 Wheaton College IL  
 Whitworth University  
**Willamette University**  
 Williams College  
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute  
**Yale University**  
**INTERNATIONAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES**  
 Erasmus University Rotterdam  
**MLiverpool Institute for Performing Arts**  
**McGill University**  
 Trinity College Dublin  
 University of British Columbia  
 University of Cambridge  
 University of Edinburgh  
 University of Glasgow  
 University of St. Andrews  
 University of Toronto  
**University of Victoria**





# We are ready

Colleges know graduates of Saint Francis High School are prepared students. In fact, Saint Francis students are highly sought after by top colleges across the nation. Over 100 college and university admission counselors visit our campus every year in hopes of actively recruiting our students. The Saint Francis counselors maintain strong relationships with college admissions counselors and attend professional college counseling conferences and college tours across the country.

Our counselors use current and comprehensive technology resources for the college search process and work alongside students to interpret the data and understand how it may influence their college options. These resources include:

- Historical college acceptance data and admissions statistics available via Naviance aids the college planning process
- Extensive college counseling website
- Counseling presentations archived online

## CLASS OF 2021 TESTING STATISTICS

Standardized testing is a significant part of the college admissions process. The average scores for the Class of 2019 were all above the state and national averages.

### SAT Reasoning Mean

Evidence Based Reading & Writing	653
Math	655
Combined	1305

### SAT Subject Tests Mean

Biology E	721	Math Level 2	764
Chemistry	712	Physics	770

### ACT Mean

English	29.2	Science	27.5
Math	27.4	STEM	28.5
Composite	28.5		

### Average AP Scores for all Students

In 2021, 1243 AP exams were administered to 626 students. Scores of 3 or higher on AP exams may qualify for college credit. 86% of these students scored 3 or higher and 35% scored a 5.

### 2021 AP Scholar Recognition

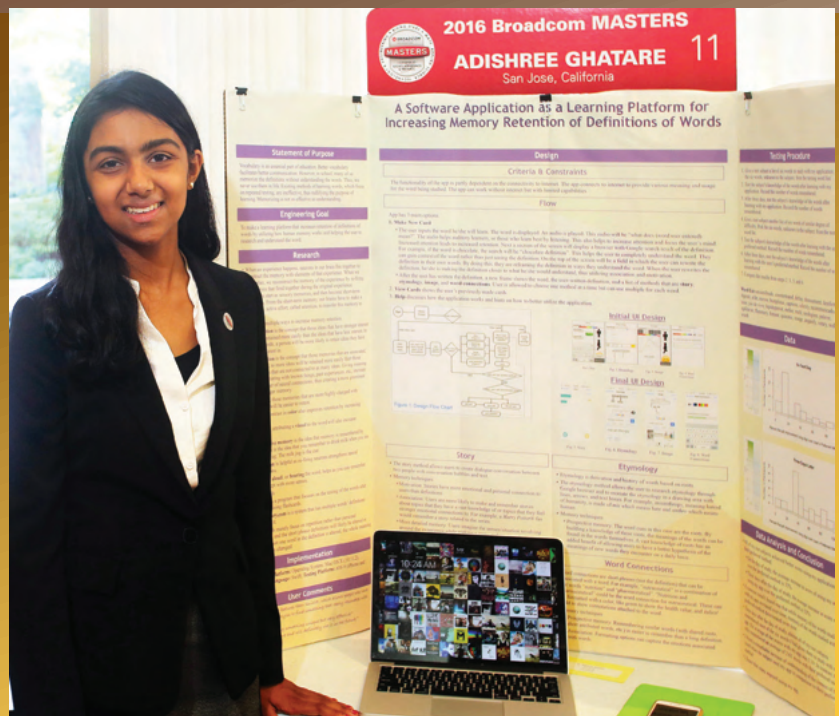
AP Scholars	84
AP Scholars with Honor	39
AP Scholars with Distinction	106
AP International Diploma	1



# CREATE

## APPLIED SCIENCE/ENGINEERING

Students are passionate about innovation, intellectual curiosity and the spirit of DIY. They take what they learn in the classroom and apply their knowledge to their interests, be it hackathons, app design challenges or independent science research. Learning truly takes place everywhere.



## STEM Clubs and Activities

ADA Hacks Club  
A.I. for Social Good Club  
Astronomy Club  
Builders Club  
Cybersecurity Club  
Entrepreneurship Club

Environmental Club  
Future Medical Students Association  
Game Development Club  
Girls Who Code Club  
Hopper Hacks Club  
Machine Learning Club

Math Club  
Milk Carton Boat Race  
Programming Club  
Quiz Bowl  
Research @ SF Club

Robotics  
Science Bowl  
Science Olympiad  
SF Hacks  
TEDxSaintFrancis



# STEM



## MATH

From Algebra 1 to Ordinary Differential Equations, teachers transform math into concrete concepts by using demonstrations and real-world applications. Teachers also provide personalized instruction to meet students' needs, tailoring lesson content and pace to foster student growth.

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3D printers

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CNC mills

## TECHNOLOGY

Students need to know how to navigate an increasingly complex digital landscape in order to engage with the social, cultural and economic world around them. Beyond the 1:1 iPad program and the use of e-books, teachers also discuss digital citizenship and the social impacts of technology so that students can be truly successful.





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## BAND

There is a place for every musician at Saint Francis. Like a second family to some, our award-winning **band program** offers five levels of academic classes and opportunities for performances in our beautiful Performing Arts Center and in the community. Our marching band performs throughout the year at sporting events, assemblies, rallies, field showcase events and parades. The concert, symphonic and jazz ensembles travel to music festivals and competitions throughout the year. Musicians begin their years at Saint Francis with a love for music and graduate as performers.

## CHOIR

The **choral program** provides students with solid musicianship skills as they perform creative and challenging choral repertoire. Students have won several performance awards for sacred and secular music. Performances include school liturgies, stage concerts and competitions. Our choir has also traveled abroad to welcoming audiences everywhere.



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*Music is the connection students build together through challenges and successes. Students develop a sense of self within a larger whole as they deepen and apply interdisciplinary skills and concepts. Music brings life to our students, and in turn, our students bring life to the community with music.*

Sadie Queally-Sammut  
Band Director and Choir Teacher

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# Band & Choir



## **BAND and CHORAL ENSEMBLES**

A Capella	Glee	Percussion Ensemble
Brass Ensemble	Jazz Band	Saxophone Ensemble
Chamber Choir	Jazz Combo	String Ensemble
Color Guard	Liturgy Band	Symphonic Band
Concert Band	Marching Band	Woodwind Ensemble
Concert Choir	Musical Pit Orchestra	
Drumline	Pep Band	





## DANCE

Dancers of all levels are invited to participate in the **dance program**. The dance curriculum encompasses instruction in technique as well as historical studies for various dance styles, including ballet, jazz and modern dance.



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*There's nothing like being on stage. The performing arts allow for self-expression from the heart. When students learn to present themselves on the stage, they grow in their self-confidence.*

*Tom Johantgen, performing arts teacher*

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# rforming Arts



## DRAMA

Our Performing Arts Center is the stage to be on! Our **theater department** produces several quality shows throughout the year that bring an audience of students and community members to our school. Students in the department are given opportunities to explore all aspects of the theater, from performing to technical crew. Many Saint Francis alumni have gone on to pursue successful professional careers in television and theater.



## PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

The Performing Arts Center includes a 410-seat theater and features a fly space, rehearsal rooms, dressing rooms, a scene shop and cutting-edge equipment for sound, lighting and video production. Students who participate in performing arts at Saint

Francis have an experience similar to a professional theater company. With opportunities to speak and perform on stage or work backstage, every student can shine!



## COMMUNICATION ARTS

TEDxSaintFrancis gives students the opportunity to express themselves and to combine writing, critical thinking and public speaking. Each year, Lancers take the stage to share their personal stories at the student-led event, empowering and inspiring audience members with relatable and universal messages.





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## FINE ARTS and DIGITAL ARTS

Our **visual arts program** offers a variety of classes that engage our students and spark their desire to connect with the world as independent thinkers. In addition to exploring the principles of design, students can also express themselves creatively with technology and learn real-world skills, such as storytelling, branding, videography, photography and product design.





# Visual Arts



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*Art is the manifestation of a generation's voice. Our role is to give our students the tools to create and power to be heard.*

*Brendan Reutebuch, Visual and Performing Arts Department Chair*

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# LANCER ATHLETICS





# Athletics

Take a look at our accomplishments these last three years (which include two years of shortened or canceled athletic seasons due to COVID).

- **10 Central Coast Section Honor Coaches**
- **3 Water Polo All Americans**
- **8 State Championship Qualifiers**
- **11 League Players of the Year**
- **20 Central Coast Section Championships**
- **100 Student athletes committed to play college athletics**

Over the years, our teams have earned

- **380 League Championships**
- **389 Central Coast Championships**
- **39 Northern California Championships**
- **17 State Championships**



Saint Francis High School has a proud and successful athletic tradition, and our current students love the opportunity to build on the legacy formed by the student athletes who have come before them. By staying true to the mission and philosophy of Saint Francis High School, participants in our athletic programs are seen as academic students first and student athletes second. Athletic success at Saint Francis is defined by three core values: **Effort, Teamwork and Sportsmanship.**

## FALL

Boys: Cross Country,\* Football, Water Polo

Girls: Cross Country,\* Field Hockey, Golf, Tennis, Volleyball, Water Polo

## WINTER

Boys: Basketball, Soccer, Wrestling\*

Girls: Basketball, Soccer

## SPRING

Boys: Baseball, Golf, Lacrosse, Swimming and Diving,\* Tennis, Track and Field,\* Volleyball

Girls: Gymnastics, Lacrosse, Softball, Swimming and Diving,\* Track and Field\*

\* Non-cut sports





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## Clubs and Activities

We offer over 80 clubs and activities. Here are just a few:

### ACADEMIC

California Scholarship Federation	Quiz Bowl
Math Club	Robotics Team
Mock Trial	Science Bowl National
Honor Society	Science and Engineering
Programming Club	Speech and Debate
World Language Honor Societies	

### ARTS

Creative Writing Club	Lancer Productions
Drama Club	Live Stream Club
Glee Club	Mindframes
KSFH Live Stream Radio	Unity Dance Crew
Improv Club	

### LEADERSHIP and SERVICE

BRIC Brothers	TEDxSaintFrancis
Environmental Club	Shadow Hosts
Interact	Student Council
In the Margins	Teen Awareness Program
Newspaper	Women of BRIC
Service Club	Yearbook

### SCHOOL SPIRIT and ATHLETICS

6th Man Crew	Sand Volleyball Club
12th Man Crew	Spike Ball Club
Athletic Team Managers	Spirit Squad
Student Athletic Trainers	Ultimate Frisbee
Rally Planning Board	

### JUST FOR FUN

Audio/Visual Club	International Club
Baking Club	Intramurals
Banner Brocade	SF Gaming Club
Book Club	Stock Market Club
Harry Potter Club	

## Extracurricular Activities

A critical part of the high school experience is exploring, trying new activities and pursuing new interests. With more than 80 clubs and activities to choose from, there is something for every student at Saint Francis.

### GET INVOLVED RIGHT AWAY!

## Affinity Groups

Affinity groups at Saint Francis allow students and educators who share an identity the opportunity to gather, connect and talk in a comfortable environment about issues related to their identity. They transfer that discussion into action to make for a more equitable experience at school. In this way, students with diverse backgrounds honor and share heritage and experiences. Current affinity groups include:

- Allyship SF
- Asian Student Association
- Black Student Union
- Filipino American Student Union
- Jewish Student Association
- Latinx/Hispanic Student Union
- Multi Heritage Student Union
- Muslim Student Association
- Pride Student Union
- South Asian Student Association
- Tagata Pasefika
- Vietnamese Student Association





# Involvement



## Leaders

### Be Prepared Spiritually, Intellectually and Socially

Educating balanced and well-rounded students is the cornerstone of our philosophy. Like Blessed Basil Moreau, who believed it was his mission to educate students to be prepared spiritually, intellectually and socially, we at Saint Francis have made it our mission to uphold this idea. We encourage all our students to have active extracurricular experiences. We know educating young men and women in the Holy Cross tradition gives them added confidence, lasting friendships and the best opportunities to reach their potential.

Our clubs and extracurricular activities are student-driven. Students are encouraged to explore all activities and join clubs that fit their interests. We want our students to feel invested in the Saint Francis community, and we encourage students to take ownership of their experiences and become leaders in their pursuits and endeavors.



## Graduating Lancers are ready to influence the world for the better

After four years at Saint Francis, our students have a clear understanding of who they are and what they can accomplish in life. They graduate as scholars, humanitarians, scientists, artists and athletes. The values of our Church and Holy Cross have become their values. They live out this philosophy in their everyday lives. Saint Francis students graduate prepared for college, with a compassionate world view, ready to serve others and make a difference.





## The Saint Francis graduate embodies the Holy Cross charism and is expected to be:

### I. A person of faith who imparts Holy Cross values in the Catholic tradition by

- Demonstrating a basic understanding of the life and teaching of Jesus Christ and the essential doctrines and practices of the Catholic Church.
- Recognizing and respecting the dignity of the human person, and responding to the call to love and serve in the tradition of Catholic moral and social teaching.
- Serving the community particularly by reaching out to those most in need.
- Participating in and embracing our faith-filled community.

### II. An intrinsically motivated scholar who pursues lifelong learning by

- Thinking critically and creatively to solve problems and make decisions, both independently and as members of a team.
- Listening effectively, reading critically and using language precisely in speech and writing.
- Interpreting and evaluating complex information presented through various media.
- Utilizing and adapting technology resources productively and responsibly.

### III. An engaged individual who demonstrates personal and social responsibility by

- Understanding the rights and responsibilities of a local, national and global citizen.
- Demonstrating critical interpersonal skills of clear communication and meaningful collaboration.
- Becoming self-directed, resilient individuals who are able to set goals to maintain physical and emotional well-being.
- Explore new and diverse opportunities and embracing the call to lead.







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# Family at Saint Francis

Just as we hope your student will find a home in our warm, diverse and inclusive Lancer family, we want our parents to similarly experience what it means to be part of this family. We welcome you to join us in being involved and building community as an engaged parent.

These next four years will be critical for your student's development, and we want to partner with you. We look forward to seeing you at our many parent events and activities!





## Some of the many ways to get involved includes:

- Christmas At Our House
- Father-Daughter Casino Night
- Father-Son Communion Breakfast
- Parent Ash Wednesday Service
- Memorial Mass
- Family Day of Service
- Mother-Daughter Mass and Brunch
- Moms Football Camp
- Mother-Son Casino Night
- Fall Kick-Off BBQ
- Bunco Night
- Women's Retreat
- Lancer Auction Gala
- Lancer Car Show
- Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Athletic Events and Team Support
- Performing Arts Support
- Parent Socials

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*When parents connect at Saint Francis, they become a part of the Lancer family, and they build long lasting friendships and beautiful memories with both fellow parents and faculty and staff members.*

*-Vidhu Sharma, parent of an alumni, current member of the Board of Directors, and former president of the Women's Club.*

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# SAINT FRANCIS

## A Holy Cross High School

Saint Francis High School, sponsored by the Brothers of Holy Cross, admits students of any race, color and national or ethnic origin. The school does not discriminate based on disability if the student is otherwise qualified and can, with reasonable accommodations, meet the graduation requirements of the school.

### Important Dates to Remember

#### Application Due

December 10, 2021

#### High School Placement test (HSPT) at Saint Francis

January 8 and 22, 2022

#### Interviews

January 18, 20 and 25, 2022

#### Student Support Application Due

February 4, 2022

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