



# ST. BRENDAN HIGH SCHOOL SCHOOL PROFILE 2021-2022

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## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. Brendan High School is to provide young men and women a Catholic educational experience in a safe environment characterized by academic excellence and mutual respect.

## ADMINISTRATION

Ivette G. Alvarez, MS  
**Interim Principal**

Guillermo Ramos, EdS  
**Assistant Principal**

Patricia Alvarez, MS  
**Director of Academics and Instruction**

Maria Victoria Chacon, MS  
**Director of Student Affairs**

## GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING

Lily Kirschner-Sanchez, LCSW  
**Director of Guidance, 9th grade**

Athenas Urribarri, MS  
**Grade Level Counselor, 10th grade**

Amanda Parlade, MSW  
**Grade Level Counselor, 11th grade**

Victoria Repp, MS  
**Grade Level Counselor, 12th grade**

Jennifer Mendez, EdS  
**College Counselor**

Leticia Acevedo, MS  
**College Counselor**

Elizabeth Perez, MS  
**Alpha Program Coordinator**

Daisy Cruz, MS  
**Special Education Coordinator**

## SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Founded in 1970, St. Brendan High School is an archdiocesan high school in Miami, Florida whose first objective is to provide secondary Catholic education for young women and men in grades 9 through 12. Students of Hispanic descent comprise 93% of our student population. Female students comprise 65% of our student body, while male students make up 35%. Forty-eight percent of our student population is on some form of financial assistance. The students at St. Brendan High School are served by administrators, school counselors, and 82 instructors. The majority of them hold either a Masters, Specialists, or Doctoral degree. St. Brendan High School is an AP Capstone school, STEM certified by AdvancED/SACS-CAS1, and accredited by AdvancED/SACS-CAS1.

## ENROLLMENT

Total enrollment in grades 9-12 .....	1227
Class of 2022 .....	288
Class of 2023 .....	299
Class of 2024 .....	307
Class of 2025 .....	333

## GRADING SYSTEM

Un-weighted GPAs are based on the standard 4.0 point scale.  
Weighted GPAs are based on the level of the course taken.  
Rank is exact, weighted, and is reported on transcript and school reports.

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>SCALE</u>	<u>PHASE 1 STANDARD</u>	<u>PHASE 2 COLLEGE PREP</u>	<u>PHASE 3 HONORS</u>	<u>PHASE 4 AP</u>
A	100-90	4	4.5	5.0	6.0
B	89-80	3	3.5	4.0	5.0
C	79-70	2	2.5	3.0	4.0
D	69-60	1	1.5	2.0	3.0
F	59-0	0	0	0	0

## SCHOOL ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

St. Brendan High School participates in the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA), competing interscholastically in baseball, basketball, cross country, football, lacrosse, swimming, soccer, softball, tennis, track, and volleyball. Students, who meet the academic requirements, can be inducted into the 15 Honor Societies offered at St. Brendan. In addition, St. Brendan students have the opportunity to participate in over 30 clubs and organizations, as well as multiple service learning projects on and off campus.

## **CURRICULUM (2021-2022)**

### **HONORS LEVEL COURSES**

Accounting I	Calculus I	Entrepreneurship	Psychology I/II
Accounting II	Calculus II	French II	Robotics I
Algebra I	Chemistry I	French III	Robotics II
Algebra II	Computer Programming	Geometry	Spanish Speakers II
American Mosaic	Constitutional Law Studies	Health Explorations	Spanish Speakers III
Anatomy and Physiology	Criminal Justice I	Italian II	Spanish II
Applied Engineering Technology I	Dance Technique III	Italian III	Spanish III
Applied Engineering Technology II	Debate I	Journalism III	Spanish IV
Art History	Economics	Mandarin II	Statistics I
Biology I	English I	Mandarin III	United States Government
Biology II	English II	Physics I	United States History
Broadcasting III	English III	Portfolio I	Web Design
Business Management	English IV	Pre-Calculus	World History

### **PRE-AP COURSES**

Biology	Chemistry	English I	English II
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### **ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES**

Biology	Chinese Language	Human Geography	Spanish Literature
Calculus AB	Computer Principles	Italian Language	Statistics
Calculus BC	English Language	Microeconomics	Drawing
Capstone Research	English Literature	Physics I	United States History
Capstone Seminar	Environmental Science	Psychology	World History
Chemistry	French Language	Spanish Language	American Government

### **DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES OFFERED THROUGH ST. THOMAS UNIVERSITY**

Advanced Pre-Calculus	Criminal Justice H	Physics I H	Theology III
Anatomy and Physiology H	English IV H	Spanish IV H	United States History H
Calculus I H	Spanish III H	Spanish Speakers IV H	Web Design

### **TESTING DATA AND AWARDS (2020-2021)**

<b>National Merit Scholarship Program</b>	<b>SAT</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>ACT</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>AP</b>	<b>Students</b>
9 National Hispanic	SBHS Top 5%	1475	SBHS Top 5%	32	Number of AP Students	338
6 National Merit	SBHS Top 50%	1130	SBHS Top 50%	21	Exams Passed	407
	Florida Mean	1020	Florida Mean	20	AP Total Scholars	85
	National Mean	1060	National Mean	21	AP Capstone Diploma	15

### **POST HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT**

100% matriculation to college  
43% matriculation to 4-year Florida college  
49% matriculation to 4-year Florida university  
8% matriculation to 4-year out-of-state university

### **FLORIDA BRIGHT FUTURES' SCHOLARSHIP**

30 Academic Scholars  
66 Medallion Scholars

## ACADEMIC PROGRAM

St. Brendan is the only Catholic high school in South Florida offering a comprehensive Academies Program. Academies work similar to college majors, with students enrolling in one of four programs that focus on specific areas:

Medical

STEM

Law and Global Business

Visual and Performing Arts

St. Brendan offers the Alpha Program for students who have demonstrated high achievement and the Champagnat Program for students with special learning needs. St. Brendan offers an International Program for students from select European Schools. These students are paired with host families and enroll at the school for one marking period in the fall. St. Brendan also offers four world languages: Spanish, French, Italian, and Chinese. St. Brendan utilizes a semester academic calendar. Seven credits per semester is the maximum course load. The academic program is organized on a full block schedule, as follows:

Monday – Periods 1 – 7

Tuesday and Thursday – Periods 1 – 4

Wednesday and Friday – Periods 5 – 7

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must earn a range of credits between 25 – 28 credits, maintain a 2.0 un-weighted grade point average on a 4.0 scale, and earn 100 hours of community service learning. Students must earn:

English – 4 credits

Mathematics – 4 credits

Theology – 4 credits

Science – 3 credits

Social Sciences – 3 credits

World Languages – 2 credits

Personal Fitness and Health – 1 credit

Fine Art – 0.5 credit

Computer Science – 0.5 credit

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Students are required to fulfill a minimum of 25 hours of community service per year, with a graduation requirement of 100 hours. There is no limit to the number of hours students can earn. Every graduating class, on average, complete approximately 65,000 hours of community service learning. In the second semester, students must present a project outlining their community service learning experience in conjunction with the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. St. Brendan High School's Community Service Learning Program is intended not simply as an exercise in the satisfaction of a certain number of hours of service to the community, but rather is intended to help students learn from service in a real and meaningful way, and grow in their faith.

## IMPORTANT LINKS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Curriculum Guide - <https://simplebooklet.com/stbhscurriculumguide#page=1>

Faculty and Staff Directory - <https://www.stbrendanhigh.org/who-we-are/directory>

College Visits - RepVisits at <https://CounselorCommunity.com>

College Counselors - Jennifer Mendez, [jmendez@stbhs.org](mailto:jmendez@stbhs.org), ext. 560

Lethicia Acevedo, [lacedo@stbhs.org](mailto:lacedo@stbhs.org), ext. 577



*"Led by Christ, who changes our hearts and the world"*