

# Blessed Trinity Catholic High School

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PROFILE FOR THE 2021—2022 SCHOOL YEAR



## Mission Statement

Blessed Trinity Catholic High School exists to provide a nurturing educational environment that transforms lives in Christ, integrating spiritual formation, academic excellence, artistic sensibility, and athletic achievement.

## School and Community

Blessed Trinity Catholic High School is one of three high schools of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. The students come primarily from middle to upper-middle class backgrounds in a northern suburb of Atlanta and commute from within a 30 mile radius. Located on a sixty-eight acre campus, Blessed Trinity opened in the fall of 2000 with a pupil enrollment of 219. The school population for this academic year is 980 students. Blessed Trinity graduated its first class in 2003. The student to teacher ratio is 13 to 1. Average class size is 19. For the current academic year, 14% of the students receive financial assistance.

## Accreditations and Associations

Blessed Trinity Catholic High School, a 2014 National Blue Ribbon School, is accredited by AdvancED. The school holds memberships in the following professional organizations: The College Board, Georgia Independent School Association, National Association of College Admission Counseling, National Catholic Educational Association, Southern Association of College Admission Counseling, Southern Association of Independent Schools, and the Atlanta Area Association of Independent Schools.

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## Enrollment 2021-2022

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| <b>Total:</b>      | 979 |
| <b>Freshmen:</b>   | 228 |
| <b>Sophomores:</b> | 252 |
| <b>Juniors:</b>    | 254 |
| <b>Seniors:</b>    | 245 |

**Faculty** 80 (62 with advanced degrees)

## Academic Programs and Requirements

The academic program is college preparatory and designed to comply with the requirements of the Georgia Board of Regents. The school year is divided into two semesters consisting of 18 weeks each. The instructional program has been taught on an A/B block schedule since the school opened in fall 2000. The students are scheduled for eight (8) ninety minute periods over two days.

All graduates must earn a minimum of 28 credits. Upon successful completion of a course, students are awarded a full credit for a two semester course and a half credit for a one semester course.

Required courses and credit hours for graduation:

|                |   |                                      |     |
|----------------|---|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Theology       | 4 | World Language                       | 2   |
| English        | 4 | Fine Arts                            | 1   |
| Social Studies | 4 | Business Education                   | 1   |
| Mathematics    | 4 | Physical Education                   | 1   |
| Science        | 4 | Electives from FA, B.Ed., & Phys. Ed | 1.5 |
|                |   | Electives                            | 1.5 |

## Levels

Blessed Trinity has three instructional levels: standard, advanced, and honors/AP. Each program challenges the student at the proper skill level per subject while maintaining the rigor and requirements of a college-preparatory curriculum.

### College Admissions

Of the 237 graduates of the class of 2021, 232 students entered a four-year institution, two students entered a two-year institution, and three students are participating in a gap year.

**Blessed Trinity offers AP and Honors courses by invitation.**

### Advanced Placement Courses

AP courses are weighted. An additional eight (8) points are added to the semester average for each AP course. In the quality point calculation there is an additional 1.0 added to the unweighted semester grade. There is no limit to how many AP courses a student may take.

|                         |                            |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 2D Art & Design         | Human Geography            |
| Art History             | Latin                      |
| Biology                 | Macroeconomics             |
| Calculus AB, BC         | Microeconomics             |
| Chemistry               | Music Theory               |
| Comp. Gov't & Politics  | Physics C: Mechanics       |
| Computer Science A      | Physics 1                  |
| Comp Sci. Principles    | Psychology                 |
| Drawing                 | Spanish Language/Culture   |
| English Language        | Statistics                 |
| English Literature      | U.S. Government & Politics |
| Environmental Science   | U.S. History               |
| French Language/Culture | World History: Modern      |

### Honors Courses

Honors courses are weighted. An additional four (4) points are added to the semester average for each honors course. In the quality point calculation there is an addition 0.5 added to the unweighted semester grade.

|             |                  |
|-------------|------------------|
| Algebra 2   | Geometry         |
| Biology     | Latin 2, 3       |
| Chemistry   | Precalculus      |
| English 1   | Spanish 2, 3, 4  |
| French 2, 3 | World Literature |

### Grading Scale

|                  |                     |
|------------------|---------------------|
| A = 90-100       | <u>AP Scale</u>     |
| B = 80-89        | A = 90-108          |
| C = 74-79        |                     |
| D = 70-73        | <u>Honors Scale</u> |
| F = 69 and below | A = 90-104          |

### AP Examination Statistics

|                                   |      |      |      |
|-----------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Class of                          | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
| Number of AP courses              | 26   | 26   | 27   |
| Students taking AP exams          | 463  | 481  | 473  |
| Number of AP exams administered   | 946  | 1039 | 1088 |
| % of AP exam scores of 3, 4, or 5 | 81   | 86   | 78   |

### National Merit Scholarship Program

|                              |      |      |      |
|------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Class of                     | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
| Number in class              | 245  | 231  | 237  |
| Semi-finalists               | 4    | 2    | 4    |
| Commended Students           | 7    | 5    | 6    |
| Hispanic Scholar             | 1    | 0    | 0    |
| National Achievement Scholar | 0    | 0    | 0    |

### Test Results

Blessed Trinity does not publish any standardized test scores, such as the SAT and ACT. The school agrees with The College Board that "simple averages can easily be misused to rank-order, or otherwise make inappropriate comparisons among schools or groups of students." Persons interested in discussing the results of standardized tests may contact an administrator or counselor.

### Class Rank

Blessed Trinity does not rank its students.

### Decile Ranking- Class of 2022

In order to assist colleges and universities in evaluating Blessed Trinity Catholic High School applicants, seniors have been arranged into deciles based on their overall cumulative averages at the end of six semesters.

| <u>Decile</u> | <u>Numeric GPA Range</u> | <u># of Students</u> |
|---------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| First         | 101.81—97.80             | 24                   |
| Second        | 97.63—96.13              | 24                   |
| Third         | 96.08—94.80              | 25                   |
| Fourth        | 94.71—93.66              | 24                   |
| Fifth         | 93.65—92.86              | 25                   |
| Sixth         | 92.74—91.33              | 24                   |
| Seventh       | 91.26—90.18              | 25                   |
| Eighth        | 90.17—89.02              | 24                   |
| Ninth         | 88.91—86.47              | 25                   |
| Tenth         | 86.41—80.36              | 25                   |

### Honor Roll

Students who earn a 90 average or above are recognized each semester as "magna cum laude" honor roll students. Students who earn a 95 average or above are given "summa cum laude" honor roll standing.

### Special Programs

Blessed Trinity Catholic High School is committed to the ideal of educating the whole student. To enrich the curriculum, the school provides special educational experiences for students. The following special programs are offered at Blessed Trinity:

- Advanced Placement Program
- Community Service
- House—Family Mentoring System
- Academic Support Center
- Orientation Leaders
- S.T.A.R.S. Tutoring Program
- Student Ambassadors
- Student Sports Medicine Program

There are 42 additional clubs and organizations available for student participation.

# Course Offerings

## 2021-2022

### Business and Technology

Accounting  
A. P. Computer Science A  
A. P. Computer Science Principles  
Computer Aided Design & Engineering  
Introduction to Business  
Introduction to Computer Science  
Introduction to Law  
Personal Finance  
Robotics Team  
Special Topics in Engineering  
Web Design

### English

A. P. English Language & Composition  
A. P. English Literature & Composition  
American Literature (Adv, S)  
British Literature (Adv, S)  
Creative Writing  
English 1 (H, Adv, S)  
English & Math Seminar \*  
Journalism/Mass Communication  
Modern Classics  
Mythology & Classic Archetypes  
Shakespeare's Comedies  
World Literature (H, Adv, S)  
Yearbook

### Fine Arts

Acting  
Advanced Dance  
Advanced Drawing  
Advanced Musical Theater Performance  
Advanced Music Production & Songwriting  
Advanced Percussion  
Advanced Photography & SmartPhone  
A. P. 2D Art & Design  
A. P. Art History  
A. P. Drawing  
A. P. Music Theory  
Advanced Studio Art  
Approaches to Art Making  
Clayworks  
Concert Choir  
Dance Company  
Dance Technique  
Darkroom Photography & the Camera  
Digital Photography & Photoshop  
Drawing  
Graphic Design  
Intermediate Dance 1, 2  
Introduction to Percussion  
Metalworks  
Music Production and Songwriting  
Painting & Mixed Media  
Pop Music and Culture  
Speech & Communication  
Stagecraft  
Symphonic Band  
Theatre Performance  
Voice & Music

### Mathematics

A. P. Calculus AB  
A. P. Calculus BC  
A. P. Statistics  
Algebra 1 (Adv, S)  
Algebra 2 (H, Adv, S)  
Calculus Part 1  
Calculus Part 2  
Discrete Math  
Extensions of Algebra & Geometry (Adv)  
English & Math Seminar \*  
Geometry (H, Adv, S)  
Precalculus (H, Adv, S)  
Statistics

### Physical Education

Adv. Athletic Training & Sports Medicine  
Athletic Training & Sports Medicine  
Core and Mobility  
Driver Education/CPR & First Aid  
General Physical Education  
Health/CPR & First Aid  
Health/Driver Education  
Introduction to Strength & Conditioning  
Lifetime Sports  
Speed, Strength, and Conditioning  
Team Sports  
Titan Training

### Science

A. P. Biology \*\*  
A. P. Chemistry \*\*  
A. P. Environmental Science  
A. P. Physics C: Mechanics  
A. P. Physics 1  
Anatomy & Physiology  
Biology (H, Adv, S)  
Chemistry (H, Adv, S)  
Earth Science: Geology/Astronomy  
Earth Sci.: Oceanography/Meteorology  
Introduction to Chemistry  
Principles of Physics  
Physics (Adv, S)

### Social Studies

A. P. Comparative Government & Politics  
A. P. Human Geography  
A. P. Macroeconomics  
A. P. Microeconomics  
A. P. Psychology  
A. P. U. S. Government & Politics  
A. P. U. S. History  
A. P. World History: Modern  
Economics (Adv, S)  
Foundations of Government  
History of Western Philosophy  
Human Geography (Adv, S)  
Modern U.S. History & Government  
U. S. History (Adv, S)  
World History (Adv, S)

### Theology

Apologetics  
Ecclesiology  
Fundamentals of the Catholic Faith  
Gospels: Heart of the New Testament  
Morality and Prayer  
Morality in the Media  
Old Testament Covenants  
Sacraments of the Church  
World Religions

### World Language

A. P. French Language & Culture  
A. P. Latin  
A. P. Spanish Language & Culture  
French 1  
French 2 (H, S)  
French 3 (H, S)  
Latin 1  
Latin 2 (H, S)  
Latin 3 (H, S)  
Spanish 1  
Spanish 2 (H, S)  
Spanish 3 (H, S)  
Spanish 4 (H)

AP = Advanced Placement  
H = Honors  
Adv = Advanced  
S = Standard

\* Course is taught as an interdisciplinary course

\*\* AP Biology and AP Chemistry are double block courses.

These courses meet daily and earn one (1) credit per semester.

## College Acceptances for Class of 2021

### South

Alabama, University of  
Alabama at Birmingham, University of  
Anderson University  
Appalachian State University  
Auburn University  
Augusta University  
Ave Maria University  
Bellarmino University  
Belmont Abbey College  
Belmont University  
Berry College  
Brenau University  
Central Florida, University of  
Centre College  
Charleston, College of  
Citadel Military College of the South  
Clemson University  
Coastal Carolina University  
Coastal Georgia, College of  
Columbus State University  
East Tennessee State University  
Elon University  
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University  
Emory University  
Flagler College  
Florida Institute of Technology  
Florida Southern College  
Florida State University  
Florida, University of  
Furman University  
Georgia College  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
Georgia Southern University  
Georgia Southwestern State University  
Georgia State University  
Georgia, University of  
High Point University  
Jacksonville State University  
James Madison University  
Kennesaw State University  
Kentucky, University of  
Louisiana State University  
Louisiana Tech University  
Louisville, University of  
Loyola University New Orleans  
Mercer University  
Miami, University of  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Mississippi State University  
Mississippi, University of  
North Carolina State University  
North Georgia, University of  
Oxford College of Emory University  
Piedmont College  
Reinhardt University  
Rhodes College  
Richmond, University of  
Rollins College  
Samford University  
Savannah College of Art and Design  
Sewanee: The University of the South  
South Carolina Columbia, University of  
South Florida, University of  
Southern Mississippi, University of  
Stetson University  
Tennessee-Knoxville, University of  
Tennessee Chattanooga, University of  
Vanderbilt University  
Virginia Military Institute  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University  
Virginia, University of  
Wake Forest University

Washington and Lee University  
West Georgia, University of  
Western Carolina University  
William and Mary, College of  
Winthrop University  
Wofford College  
Young Harris College

### Mid-Atlantic

American University  
Bucknell University  
Delaware, University of  
Dominican College  
Drexel University  
Fordham University  
George Washington University  
Georgetown University  
Grove City College  
Lafayette College  
Lehigh University  
Maryland at College Park, University of  
Mercyhurst University  
Pace University—New York  
Pennsylvania, University of  
Pennsylvania State University at University Park  
Pittsburgh, University of  
Saint Bonaventure University  
Saint Lawrence University  
Seton Hall University  
Siena College  
Temple University  
United States Merchant Marine Academy  
United States Naval Academy  
Villanova University

### Mid-West

Butler University  
Dayton, University of  
Denison University  
DePauw University  
Dubuque, University of  
Hillsdale College  
Indiana University at Bloomington  
Iowa, University of  
Loyola University Chicago  
Mary, University of  
Miami University of Ohio  
Michigan at Ann Arbor, University of  
Michigan State University  
Nebraska-Lincoln, University of  
Notre Dame, University of  
Ohio State University  
Purdue University  
Quincy University  
Saint Mary's College  
Southeast Missouri State University  
Southern Illinois University—Carbondale  
West Virginia University  
Wisconsin at Madison, University of

### New England

Boston College  
Brandeis University  
Bridgewater State University  
Dartmouth College  
Fairfield University  
Massachusetts-Amherst, University of  
Middlebury College  
New Hampshire, University of  
Northeastern University  
Norwich University  
Rhode Island, University of  
United States Coast Guard Academy  
Vermont, University of

### Southwest

Arkansas, University of  
Baylor University  
Oklahoma, University of—Norman Campus  
Southern Methodist University  
Texas A & M University  
Texas Christian University  
Texas at Austin, University of  
Texas Tech University  
Tulsa, University of

### West

Arizona, The University of  
Arizona State University  
Boise State University  
California—San Diego, University of  
Colorado at Boulder, University of  
Colorado School of Mines  
Colorado State University  
Denver, University of  
Hawaii—Manoa, University of  
Oregon State University  
San Diego, University of  
San Francisco, University of  
Southern California, University of  
Utah, University of

### International

Universidad de Navarra  
Saint Louis University—Madrid Campus



August 1, 2021

**RE: Blessed Trinity Catholic High School Academic Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic**

To Whom It May Concern:

2019 - 2020 School Year

In March of 2020, due to safety concerns arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, Blessed Trinity Catholic High School shifted to an online forum for our classes until the end of the school year in May 2020. During this time, attendance was mandatory for each class, and students continued to earn grades for class participation, tests, quizzes, assignments, and projects. Final exams were given at the end of the semester. Students were taught the required material, and were expected to show mastery of the material throughout the semester. Additionally, Blessed Trinity has been conducting "Virtual Days" two school days a year for the past eight years, therefore all of our teachers and students were trained on the platforms and methodology we were utilizing.

Our students were not given the option to end their semester at the time of going virtual. Their grades did not "freeze" in March. The grades that are listed on their transcripts for the second semester of the 2019 - 2020 school year are reflective of continued work and effort on their part for the entire semester.

2020 - 2021 School Year

Blessed Trinity began the 2020 - 2021 school year by allowing students to choose whether to attend school in-person or virtually. Blessed Trinity did remain open for in-person learning for the entire school year, with the exception of five total days, when the COVID-19 numbers predicated the need for the school to move to total virtual learning. As with the previous school year, our grade structure and expectations of students did not change as we strived to provide the same level of learning to all of our students. The only change implemented by our administration was the discontinuation of final exams; students were administered final assessments at the end of both semesters, but these were not weighted at 20% of their final grade, as was done previously at our school. Overall, Blessed Trinity was able to provide a robust educational experience to our students that looked more similar to pre-COVID-19 education than many were expecting.

We ask that you take these factors into consideration while reviewing the transcripts of Blessed Trinity students for admission to college and for scholarship opportunities.

Please contact the Guidance Office with any questions or concerns you have pertaining to this matter.

Kind regards,

The Blessed Trinity Catholic High School Guidance Department