CINCINNATI HILLS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY IS A CHRIST-CENTERED, NON-DENOMINATIONAL, COLLEGE-PREPARATORY ACADEMY THAT EXISTS TO PREPARE STUDENTS INTELLECTUALLY AND SPIRITUALLY FOR SUCCESS IN HIGHER EDUCATION AND TO IMPACT AND INFLUENCE THE WORLD ACCORDING TO THEIR UNIQUE GIFTS AND TALENTS.

FOUNDED IN 1989, CINCINNATI HILLS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY IS LOCATED IN SUBURBAN CINCINNATI, OHIO. STUDENTS REPRESENT A DIVERSE SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND ETHNIC POPULATION, AND COME FROM NEARLY 40 PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE GREATER CINCINNATI METROPOLITAN AREA. CINCINNATI HILLS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY OFFERS A ROBUST PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES NUMEROUS OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR INDIVIDUAL STRENGTHS AND DEVELOP THEIR POTENTIAL. THE RIGOROUS COLLEGE-PREPARATORY PROGRAM, WHICH INCLUDES HONORS AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES IN ADDITION TO A DIVERSE SELECTION OF ELECTIVES, PREPARES STUDENTS TO THRIVE AND CONTRIBUTE IN THE COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY SETTING.

PROFILE 2024-2025

ACCREDITATION

Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS)

Member National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS)

Chartered by the State of Ohio

TOTAL ENROLLMENT PRESCHOOL-12 — 1293

UPPER SCHOOL 9-12 — 500

Class of 2025	119
Average Class Size	17
Student-Faculty Ratio	12:1
Ethnic/Racial Diversity	19%
Percent of students receiving financial assistance	18.5%

FACULTY

Percent with Advanced Degrees	75%
Percent with Doctorates	14%

CLASS OF 2024

Graduates	121
Percent of school graduates attending a university/college	97
National Merit Finalists	3
National Merit Commended	3

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Twenty-five (25) credits, 20 as required by the State of Ohio, earned in Grades 9-12, are required for graduation.

Department	Required Credits
Christian Studies	3.5
English	4
Math	4
Science	3
World Language	3
Social Studies	3
Computer Technology	.5
Fine Arts	.5
Physical Education & Health	1
Intersession Component	1
Speech	.5
Financial Literacy	.5
Elective Credits Required	.5
	25

In addition, students must:

- Complete a 120 hour community service requirement which includes 2 service immersion projects.
- Participate in four Intersession (two weeks) experiential learning courses which include travel abroad, international & domestic service-learning, and on-campus and off-site academic instruction. Each intersession equals a minimum of 70 hours of instruction.

THE CLASS OF 2024

The CHCA Class of 2024 consisted of 121 students who were accepted to 138 and matriculated at 49 different colleges and universities across the country and globally.

Weighted GPA Distribution	Unweighted GPA Distribution	GPA % of Senior Class
4.22 - 4.65	3.82 - 4.00	25%
3.96 - 4.21	3.50 - 3.81	50%
3.44 - 3.97	3.15 - 3.49	75%
2.09 - 3.43	2.07 - 3.14	100%

CALENDAR

The school year is comprised of two semesters, each containing two quarters. Each quarter makes up 40% of a student's semester grade. Classes are block in format and rotate A and B Days. Each day is made up of four 80 minute blocks with bells 1-4 on Day A and bells 5-8 on Day B. Each day begins at 8:00am and ends at 2:45pm with an activity bell that lasts until 3:05pm.

CLASS RANK

Due to our rigorous college preparatory program and the small size of our senior class, Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy does not rank students numerically. We believe that a number is often misleading since small differences in grade point averages can produce significant differences in rank.

GRADING SYSTEM

Every course taken at CHCA is reflected in the cumulative GPA.

A	90-100	4 points	AP	+1.00
B	80-89	3 points	VT	+.50
C	70-79	2 points	HONORS	+.50
D	60-69	1 point		
F	0-59	0 points		

Honors Recognition	GPA
Summa Cum Laude	4.0+
Magna Cum Laude	3.75 - 3.99
Cum Laude	3.50 - 3.74

Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy uses a weighted grade point system based on a traditional four-point system.

Grade point averages are weighted as follows: Honors and VT courses are weighted a .5 quality point in the grade point calculation. Advanced Placement (AP) courses are weighted 1 full quality point in the grade point calculation. Grades of D or lower do not receive a grade bump.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT
CHCA offered 23 AP Courses in 2024

The following are 2023 - 2024 AP Results

Number of students who took exams	169
Number of AP exams taken	375
Percentage with scores 3, 4 or 5	87%

CLASS OF 2024 STANDARDIZED TESTING

Number of students who took the SAT: 25   Number of students who took ACT: 121
Please note that all students take an ACT as required by the State of Ohio

SAT	EBRW	Math
CHCA Top 25 % Mean	689	704
CHCA Mid 50% Mean	insuffient data	insufficient data
Ohio Mean 2022 Data	528	525
National Mean 2022 Data	529	521

ACT	Composite	Super Score	English	Math	Reading	Science
CHCA Top 25 % Mean	31.8	32.2	32.8	31.6	32.9	31.4
CHCA Mid 50% Mean	26.8	27.0	27.1	25.7	29.2	25.8
National Mean (2023 data)	19.5		18.6	19.0	20.1	19.6
State Mean (2024 data)	18.3		16.9	18.3	19.0	18.7

CURRICULUM

- One course from each of the following areas is required for graduation: Biology, Chemistry & Physics (courses offered include college preparatory, honors and AP), US History, Government, Western Civilization, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, English 9-12.
- CHCA offers 26 AP and beyond courses. Freshmen are not permitted to take AP courses and sophomores can choose one from five courses (AP European History; AP Human Geography, AP Music Theory, AP Statistics, AP US History). Admission into AP courses is selective and based upon teacher recommendation
- Below is a list of the highest academic courses in each academic area with courses of interest also noted. For a full list of all courses available at CHCA, please visit https://www.chca-oh.org/academics/curriculum/courseofstudy

ENGLISH

AP Language & Composition

AP Literature & Composition

MATHS

AP Calculus AB

AP Calculus BC

Multivariable Calculus

AP Statistics

SCIENCES

AP Biology

AP Chemistry

AP Environmental Science

AP Physics I

AP Physics II

Organic Chemistry I, II

SOCIAL STUDIES

AP European History

AP Human Geography

AP Microeconomics

AP Psychology

AP US History

AP US Government

WORLD LANGUAGES

AP Chinese

AP Latin

AP Spanish Language and Culture

CHRISTIAN STUDIES

Old/New Testament Covenants

New Testament

Christian Thought & Spirituality

Senior Electives

COMPUTER

AP Computer Science Principles

Making Electronics

Video Game Design

VISUAL ARTS

AP Art 2D

AP Art 3D

AP Studio Art

PERFORMING ARTS

Electric Jazz Orchestra Honors*

AP Music Theory

Audition Required

Performances locally, nationally & internationally in conjunction with service-learning.

PROGRAMS OF DISTINCTION

ENTREPRENUERSHIP & SUSTAINABILITY

CHCA is dedicated to instilling the entrepreneurial mindset in students so they are radically transformed to impact their lives. While working toward the Certificate of Entrepreneurship, students will encounter hands-on experiences designed to develop a growth mindset, to increase grit, to redefine failure, and to seek opportunities. With over fourteen elective courses and six student-run businesses, this innovative program prepares students with practical training for success in life.

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

CHCA's Fine Arts Program offers a wide range of visual and performing arts where students discover, cultivate, and express their gifts. Our program engages students to think critically, creatively, and collaboratively while developing perseverance, leadership, problem solving, and communication skills. Our program has opportunities for casual participants as well as the arts-focused student who chooses in-depth study and skill development. Our program includes a celebration of the arts unlike anything seen at a high school that highlights our artists preschool-high school.

ROBOTICS

At CHCA, robotics is a critical component of our approach to STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math). Through classroom and multiple extracurricular opportunities, teachers, coaches, and industry mentors equip students with 21st century skills, bridging the gap between practical problems and creative solutions. Students interact with various robotics technologies and platforms (e.g. WonderWorkshop, LEGO, VexIQ, FIRST) as they learn how to become innovative designers, empowered learners, and digital citizens.

Abilene Christian University
Albion College
Allegheny College
American University
Anderson University - IN
Appalachian State University
Arizona State University
Assumption University
Auburn University
Ave Maria University
Baldwin Wallace University
Ball State University
Baylor University
Bellarmine University
Belmont University
Bentley University
Berea College
Berry College
Bethel University - MN
Biola University
Boston College
Boston University
Bowling Green State University
Bradley University
Bryant University
Bucknell University
Butler University
Calvin University
Capital University
Carleton College
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Cedarville University
Central Michigan University
Central State University
Centre College
Charleston Southern University
Chatham University
Cincinnati St. Tech & Comm. College
Citadel Military College of South Carolina
Clark University
Clemson University
Cleveland Institute of Art
Cleveland State University
Coastal Carolina University
College of Charleston
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Columbia University
Columbus College of Art and Design
Culinary Institute of America
Dartmouth College
Davidson College
Denison University
DePaul University
DePauw University
DigiPen Institute of Technology
Drexel University
Duke University
Duquesne University
Earlham College
Eastern Carolina University
Eastern Kentucky University
Eastern Michigan University
Eckerd College
Elon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Emerson College
Emory University
Eugene Lang College of Liberal Arts
Fashion Institute of Technology
Flagler College
Florida Agricultural and Mechanical Univ
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida Institute of Technology
Florida International University
Florida Southern College
Florida State University
Fordham University
Full Sail University

Furman University
George Mason University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Gonzaga University
Grand Canyon University
Grand Valley State University
Greenville University
Gulf Coast State College
Hanover College
Harvard College
Haverford College
Heidelberg University
High Point University
Hillsdale College
Hofstra University
Holy Cross College
Hope College
Illinois State University
Indiana University - Bloomington
Indiana University Purdue University - Indianapolis
Indiana Wesleyan University
Iowa State University
Ithaca College
James Madison University
John Cabot University
John Carroll University
Kalamazoo College
Kansas State University
Kent State University
Kentucky Wesleyan University
Kenyon College
Lee University
Lewis University
Liberty University
Lipscomb University
Lindenwood University
Louisiana State University
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University Maryland
Malone University
Marian University
Marietta College
Marquette University
Marshall University
Mercer University
Mercyhurst University
Messiah University
Miami University - Oxford
Miami University - Regionals
Michigan State University
Michigan Technological University
Middle Tennessee State University
Middlebury College
Mississippi State University
Monmouth College
Montana State University
Moody Bible Institute
Morehead State University
Mount St. Joseph University
Mount Vernon Nazarene University
Murray State University
Muskingum University
New York University
Norfolk State University
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
Northern Kentucky University
Northern Michigan University
Northwestern University
Nova Southeastern University
Oberlin College
Oglethorpe University
Ohio Dominican University
Ohio Northern University
Ohio University
Ohio Wesleyan University

Oklahoma Baptist University
Old Dominion University
Olivet Nazarene University
Oral Roberts University
Otis College of Art and Design
Otterbein University
Ozark Christian College
Pace University - New York City
Palm Beach Atlantic University
Pennsylvania State University
Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts
Pepperdine University
Philadelphia University
Purdue University
Queens University
Reed College
Regent University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhodes College
Rice University
Ringling College of Art and Design
Robert Morris University
Rochester Institute of Technology
Rollins College
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Rutgers University - New Brunswick
Saint Louis University
Saint Mary's College
Salve Regina University
Samford University
Santa Clara University
Savannah College of Art and Design
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Sewanee: The University of the South
Siena Heights University
Simon Fraser University
Southeastern University
Southern Illinois University - Carbondale
Spring Arbor University
Stanford University
Stony Brook University
SUNY College at Geneseo
SUNY University at Buffalo
Syracuse University
Taylor University
Temple University
Tennessee State University
Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
Texas Tech University
The College of Wooster
The New School
The Ohio State University
The Ohio State University - Newark
The Ohio State Agriculture Tech Inst.
The University of Alabama
The University of Alabama - Birmingham
The University of Alabama - Huntsville
The University of Findlay
The University of Montana
The University of Tampa
The University of Tennessee - Knoxville
The University of Texas - Arlington
Thomas More University
Trine University
United States Military Academy - West Point
University of Akron
University of Arizona
University of California - Davis
University of California - Irvine
University of California - Los Angeles
University of California - Riverside
University of California - San Diego
University of California - Santa Barbara
University of California - Santa Cruz
University of Central Florida
University of Cincinnati
University of Cincinnati - Regionals
University of Colorado - Boulder

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University of Florida
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University of Illinois - Urbana/Champaign
University of Indianapolis
University of Kansas
University of Kentucky
University of Louisville
University of Maryland - College Park
University of Massachusetts - Amherst
University of Massachusetts - Boston
University of Massachusetts - Lowell
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities
University of Mississippi
University of Missouri - Columbia
University of Nevada - Las Vegas
University of New Orleans
University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
University of North Carolina - Charlotte
University of Northwestern
University of Notre Dame
University of Oklahoma
University of Oregon
University of Pittsburgh
University of Rhode Island
University of Rochester
University of Saint Francis - Fort Wayne
University of San Francisco
University of South Carolina - Columbia
University of South Carolina - Aiken
University of South Florida
University of Southern California
University of St. Francis
University of the Sciences
University of Toledo
University of Toronto
University of Utah
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of West Georgia
University of Wisconsin - Madison
Valencia College
Valparaiso University
Vanderbilt University
Virginia Military Institute
Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Wagner College
Wake Forest University
Walsh University
Washington and Jefferson College
Washington College
Washington University - St. Louis
Wayne State University
Wellesley College
West Virginia University
Western Kentucky University
Western Michigan University
Western University
Wheaton College - IL
Wilberforce University
William and Mary
Wilmington College
Wingate University
Winthrop University
Wittenberg College
Wofford College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Wright State University
Xavier University
Yale University
Youngstown State University