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2022-2023 SCHOOL PROFILE

School & Student Distinctions

Class of 2022 Population: 108

Class of 2022 Test Results

SAT Results: Mid-50% Range (Mean)	ACT Results: Mid-50% Range (Mean)
Critical Reading: 580-690 (629)	English: 23-32 (27)
Math: 540-660 (600)	Math: 22-28 (25)
Composite: 1120-1340 (1222)	Reading: 23-33 (28)
	Science Reasoning: 23-28 (26)
	Composite: 23-29 (26)

AP Examinations

Students are admitted into AP courses based on grades in prerequisite courses, teacher recommendations, and PSAT scores. All students enrolled in AP courses are required to take the AP exams. During 2022:

<i>Students tested:</i>	153
<i>Tests taken:</i>	249

A score of 3 or above was earned on 88% of AP exams taken.

School of Excellence

Since 2004, the Cardinal Newman Society has recognized SJCS as a Catholic Education Honor Roll School of Excellence. Honor Roll schools are marked by the integration of Catholic identity throughout all aspects of their programs, as well as excellence in academics.

College Acceptance and Scholarship

Traditionally, all graduates attend college with the majority entering four-year institutions. The 108 members of the Class of 2022 had 98% entering four-year institutions, 1% entering two-year institutions, and 1% pursuing a gap-year. They received acceptances from 130 different colleges and universities, 32 states and DC, and attended 39 different colleges in 16 states and DC.

For a complete listing of college acceptances for the Classes of 2018 through 2022, please visit <https://www.sj catholic school.org/academics/college-counseling/college-acceptances>

Ninety-eight percent of the Class of 2022 earned at least one merit-based scholarship, totaling over 14 million dollars in merit-based scholarships.

Athletics

Fourteen members of the Class of 2022 committed to continue their athletic careers in college. In the school's twelfth year of competition in the SC High School League, its teams earned three state titles, and one team won state runner-up.

National Merit Scholarship Competition

The Class of 2022 had two Finalists and two Commended Scholars. Since the school's first graduation in 1997, there have been fifty-seven Finalists/Semifinalists, fifty-nine Commended Scholars, six National Achievement Scholars, three National Hispanic Scholars, and thirteen National Recognition Program Scholars.

Who We Are

St. Joseph's Catholic School (SJCS) is a private, Roman Catholic, coeducational, college-preparatory day school serving 661 students in grades six through twelve. Recognized and approved by and within the Diocese of Charleston, St. Joseph's seeks academic excellence and strives to form the minds, hearts, and souls of its students in the likeness of Christ. The school provides a rigorous liberal arts curriculum with challenging college-preparatory, honors, and Advanced Placement classes. St. Joseph's also offers more than 100 co-curricular activities, including athletics and fine arts, as well as academic, leadership, service, and personal enrichment clubs and organizations.

Grade Distribution

Quintile	Range	Mean
Top	95.47-101.40	97.71
2nd	92.94-95.45	94.18
3rd	90.05-92.88	91.59
4th	87.70-90.00	88.98
5th	74.83-87.57	83.16

Mid-50% CWA: 88.54 - 95.04

Median CWA: 91.92

Accreditations & Affiliations

- Serving and Accrediting Independent Schools (SAIS)
- Cognia (Formerly AdvancED)
- National Catholic Education Association (NCEA)
- Palmetto Association of Independent Schools (PAIS)
- Southern Association for College Admission Counseling (SACAC)
- National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC)
- Association of College Counselors in Independent Schools (ACCIS)
- South Carolina High School League (SCHSL)

Student/Faculty Ratio: 11:1

Average Class Size: 16

Faculty Holding Advanced Degrees: 43 (73%)

Current High School Course Offerings

	College Preparatory	Honors	AP
English	Composition & Literature, European Literature, American Literature, Modern Literature, Creative Writing, Literature of the Civil Rights Movement,* Children's Literature*	European Literature, Composition & Literature, American Literature, Modern Literature	English Literature and Composition, English Language and Composition
Mathematics	Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Pre-Calculus, Algebra III, Personal Finance, Statistics	Geometry, Algebra II, Pre-Calculus, Fundamentals of Calculus	Calculus AB, Calculus BC*, Statistics
Science (All courses are lab sciences)	Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Science, Forensic Science, Introduction to Human Anatomy and Physiology	Chemistry, Physics*, Astronomy*, Aerospace Science I, Aerospace Science II, Human Anatomy & Physiology	Biology, Chemistry, Physics I, Physics II*
Theology	Fundamentals of Christianity, Theology of the Church, Morality, Apologetics, Theology of the Body, Biblical Studies, Catholic Social Teaching	Apologetics, Faith and Reason	
Computer Science	Computer Applications, Graphic Applications, Graphic Applications II, Yearbook Staff, Digital Photography, Digital Photography II, Introduction to Web Design*, Intro to Python Programming**		
World Language	Spanish I, Spanish II, Spanish III, French I, French II	Spanish III, Spanish IV, French III, French IV	Spanish Language and Culture, French Language and Culture
History	World History, Modern European History, U.S History, Economics, Principles of Psychology, Government	World History, Modern European History, U.S. History, History of the Holocaust	U.S. History, European History, United States Government and Politics, Art History
Physical Education	Intro to Modern Dance, Social Dance, Strength Training, Health and Exercise, Athletic Training		
Fine Arts	<i>COURSE OFFERINGS VARY EACH YEAR BASED ON AVAILABILITY.</i> Exploring Art I, II, Drawing, Mixed Media Art, Mixed Media II – 3D Art, Portfolio Development, Intro to Theatre Arts, Advanced Theatre Arts, Prop Construction, Drama and Stage Crew Practicum, Directing, Theatre Production, Speech and Improvisation, Film and Media, Chorus, Band, Strings, Pep Band, Advanced Band, Music Appreciation**		

*Class not offered for 2022-23 school year **Class new for 2022-23 school year

Evaluation of Academic Performance Grading System

SJCS utilizes a semester-based system. A 10-point grading scale is used to determine individual course grades which are reported on a 100 point scale. In recognition of the increased rigors of AP and Honors courses, an additional 7 points are averaged for each AP course and an additional 3 points are averaged for each Honors course into the Cumulative Weighted Average (CWA). These additional points are only added in the final computation in the CWA and are NOT reflected in each students' course grade.

While students receive credit for classes in which a 60 or above is earned, a "mastery" grade of at least a 70 is necessary for all classes required for graduation. To progress to the next grade level or graduate, students who earn a 60-69 must complete remedial summer work to demonstrate mastery. This remedial work does not change the grade earned in the class; and so, the grades on the transcript are the grades initially earned.

Class Rank

SJCS utilizes the South Carolina Uniform Grading Policy (SCUGP) in calculating and determining class rank. While SJCS has a policy on the academic ranking of students, SJCS does not believe that ranking students provides a valid measure of performance. Therefore, we do not publish class rank as part of the college admission process.

Covid Statement

On March 17, 2020, St. Joseph's Catholic school began virtual instruction for all students. Live, fully interactive classes met for 50 minutes every other day through a variety of platforms including Zoom and Google Meet. To maximize instructional time, additional monitored testing hours were also available. Third quarter grades were unaffected by this transition as we ended third quarter on March 10, 2020. Fourth quarter grading parameters were shifted to allow for more flexibility in the types of, and weight accorded to, various kinds of assessments. Second semester grades were calculated using the following formulas:

- If a student's Q3 grade was higher than Q4, then the semester grade will be Q3+Q3+Q4 divided by 3.
- If a student's Q4 grade was higher than Q3, then each quarter counted for 50%

Year-end grades included final exams according to our regular practice.

St. Joseph's Catholic School offered in-person education for the entirety of the 2020-21 and 2021-22 academic years. Students who were either Covid positive or were identified as close contacts were quarantined and offered a mix of instructional strategies in terms of content delivery. Assessments and assignments continued to be done primarily in person, with a few exceptions depending on the conditions. All assessments were fully monitored.

Class of 2023 Graduation Requirements

Theology	4 credits
English	4 credits
Math	4 credits
History	4 credits
Science	3 credits
Foreign Language	3 credits
Physical Education	1 credit
Fine Arts	1 credit
Electives	1 credit
Computer Science	.5 credit
Total	25.5 credits

Grading Scale

Effective Aug. 2016

- A = 90 - 100
- B = 80 - 89
- C = 70 - 79
- D = 60 - 69
- F = Below 60