



# ACADEMY OF HOLY ANGELS 2022-2023 School Profile



ACADEMY OF  
HOLY ★ ANGELS

6600 Nicollet Avenue South

Richfield, MN 55423

612-798-2600

[academyofholyanhels.org](http://academyofholyanhels.org)

## About Academy of Holy Angels

**Founded:** 1877

**Description:** Catholic, College Preparatory, Non-profit

**Student Body:** Coeducational, 9-12

**Location:** Richfield, Minnesota

**Enrollment:** 630

**Religious Affiliation:** Roman Catholic

**2022-23 Tuition:** \$16,595

**Accreditation:** Cognia

**President:** Thomas E. Shipley

**Principal:** Heidi J. Foley

Academy of Holy Angels (AHA) is a coeducational Catholic high school located in the Minneapolis suburb of Richfield.

The Sisters of St. Joseph established Holy Angels as a girls school in 1877. It became a coeducational high school in 1972.

AHA's mission is to educate and nurture a diverse student population so that each student, as a whole person, may achieve

full potential to excel intellectually, to live spiritually, to lead responsibly, to act justly, and to serve selflessly.

Holy Angels serves 630 students from diverse ethnic and religious backgrounds. There are 143 students in the class of 2023.

Academy of Holy Angels is accredited by Cognia and in 2021, was named a Cognia School of Distinction.



### COLLEGE AND CAREER COUNSELORS

**Tina Proctor** 612-798-2639 tproctor@ahastars.org

**Ann Kjorstad** 612-798-2691 akjorstad@ahastars.org

## A Note About our Programs

### AHA COVID RESPONSE

The 2020-21 school year was in-person all year with a variety of learning plans. The school year began with a hybrid, block plan and moved to a hybrid, 7 period day plan in early February.

Trimester three began with two weeks of in-school hybrid learning before moving to full in-person attendance with a 7 period day through the rest of the school year. Some students chose to be fully on-line for a portion or all the 2020-21 school year due to personal or family health concerns and students were able to be in class via online instruction. There was scattered asynchronous instruction for independent work and tutorials throughout the year on Wednesdays.

**There was no reduction in grading standards or expectations. AHA was open for fully in-person instruction for the 2021-22 school year.**

### Writing Across the Curriculum

AHA's Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) program ensures that students develop many kinds of writing skills, and every class at AHA has a writing component. Each student maintains a writing portfolio for four years, and a complete writing portfolio is a graduation requirement.

### STARS Service Requirement

AHA requires 15 hours of volunteer Christian service per year for ninth graders and 20 hours per year for tenth, eleventh and twelfth graders. AHA students completed 18,513 hours of service during the 2021-22 school year.

### STEM Diploma

AHA students can earn a STEM Diploma by enrolling in rigorous science and math courses, participating in related co-curriculars, and engaging in job shadow and internship experiences. Forty-two members of the class of 2022 earned STEM diplomas.

### Theater School

AHA's Theater School is a four-year academic program embedded in the general curriculum. It is designed so that students can fulfill their graduation requirements while focusing their elective credits in the theater curriculum. AHA's theater curriculum includes both technical and acting program tracks. Seven members of the Class of 2022 earned Theater diplomas.

### World Language Seal

AHA and the MN Department of Education recognize the superior efforts of students who achieve bilingual or multilingual proficiency before graduation. These students have demonstrated language abilities in a second language according to national language standards and state approved testing protocols. They can earn a special designation on their diploma based on their level of achievement: Platinum, Gold or Proficiency. Thirty-two members of the Class of 2022 were recognized with this achievement.

## Grade Distribution and Test Profile

### Grading system

Academy of Holy Angels weights grades for advanced and college credit classes.

Letter Grade	Regular	Advanced
A	4.0000	4.5000
A-	3.6667	4.1250
B+	3.3333	3.7500
B	3.0000	3.3750
B-	2.6667	3.0000
C+	2.3333	2.6250
C	2.0000	2.2500
C-	1.6667	1.8750
D+	1.3333	1.5000
D	1.0000	1.1250
D-	0.6667	0.7500
F	0	0

### Class Rank

Academy of Holy Angels elects to report class rank in the following manner: we report a specific rank for the top 10 students only; we will indicate a quartile rank for each student; rank is determined by overall cumulative GPA.

### Grade Point Average

Highest GPA:	4.3333
Middle GPA	3.5480
Lowest GPA	1.6227
Class of 2023:	143 students

### 2023 Class Quartile Distribution

Quartile 1	3.8569-4.3333
Quartile 2	3.5480-3.8568
Quartile 3	3.1469-3.5479
Quartile 4	1.6227-3.1468

### Test Scores: Class of 2022

#### Composite ACT

Average score:	26.1
Sample:	115
Middle 50%:	23-31
<i>AHA's test scores include all students, domestic and international.</i>	

#### SAT

Average score:	1236
Math:	636
Evidence-Based	
Reading and Writing:	600
Sample:	7
Middle 50%:	1080-1340

### Student Achievement Notes

In 2021-22, one AHA Senior was named a National Merit Finalist, six were named National Merit Commended Scholars and one was named a National Hispanic Scholar.



# Curriculum and Graduation Requirements

Academy of Holy Angels offers a curriculum that prepares students for post-secondary education and life in the real world. Holy Angels is committed to providing rigorous learning opportunities that challenge learners to grow and explore.

## English (12 credits required)

English 9 or Advanced English 9  
English 10 or Advanced English 10  
English 11 or AP Language and Composition,  
English 12 or AP Literature and Composition

## Fine Arts (3 credits required)

### Visual Arts

Intro to Ceramics, Intro to Drawing, Intro to Painting, Intro to Digital Photography, Studio Art, Computer Art, Studio Ceramics, AP Studio Art (AP Studio Art offerings include 2D, 3D, and drawing)

### Music

Concert Band and Concert Choir

### Theater/Communications

Intro to Theatrical Arts, Acting I, Acting II, Acting III, Audition Techniques, Media Studies, Public Speaking & Presentation Styles, and Theater Design and Technical Production

## Discipline

It is the practice of Academy of Holy Angels not to report a student's disciplinary record to colleges and universities without the specific written permission of the parent or the adult student.

## Accolades

AHA is Cognia accredited, a 2021 Cognia School of Distinction and a 2017-2022 Star Tribune Top Workplace.



## Mathematics (9 credits required)

Intermediate Algebra, Advanced Intermediate Algebra or Intermediate Algebra Concepts  
Geometry, Advanced Geometry or Geometry Concepts  
Advanced Accelerated Geometry/Algebra II\*  
Algebra II, Advanced Algebra II, or Algebra II Concepts  
Problem Solving & Statistics  
Survey of Mathematics  
Pre-Calculus or Advanced Pre-Calculus  
Intro to Calculus  
AP Statistics  
AP Calculus AB  
AP Calculus BC

## Physical Education

(3 credits required)

## Science (9 credits required)

Biology, Pre-AP Biology, AP Biology  
General Chemistry, Chemistry, Pre-AP Chemistry, AP Chemistry  
Anatomy & Physiology  
Physics, AP Physics I & II  
Conceptual Physics  
Engineering Science

## Social Studies (9 credits required)

World History  
Twentieth Century World Studies  
U. S. History or AP U. S. History  
U. S. Government or  
AP U. S. Government & Politics  
AP Psychology  
Sociology  
Contemporary World Affairs  
Economics

## Practical Arts/Technology

(8 courses offered as electives)

## Theology (12 credits required)\*\*\*

Jesus and the Christian Community  
The Bible I, II  
Sacraments  
The Church and The Paschal Mystery  
Prayer and Spirituality  
Church History  
Catholic Social Action  
Campus Ministry\*\*  
Moral Philosophy  
Comparative Religions  
Senior Theology Seminar

## World Language

French I, II, III, IV  
German I, II, III, IV  
Spanish I, II, III, AP Spanish IV, V  
Chinese I, II, III, IV

\*Advanced Accelerated Geometry/Algebra II combines concepts from both subjects at a very fast pace and prepares students for Advanced Pre-Calculus.

\*\*Campus Ministry Team empowers students in leadership for ministry in the spiritual life of AHA. Students apply and are selected by faculty.

\*\*\*All students must complete 75 hours of service to graduate from Academy of Holy Angels.



## Some important things the numbers tell you

- ★ 50% of our students receive financial aid. We're economically diverse.
- ★ 100% of our students are equipped with computers. Technology is thoroughly integrated in our curriculum.
- ★ 96% of our students participate in co-curriculars. Co-curricular participation is an essential part of the high school experience.
- ★ During the 2021-22 school year, 290 students took 561 AP exams.
- ★ Our average class size is 20 students.
- ★ The class of 2022 received \$16.1 million in scholarships and accepted \$5.4 million in college scholarships.



# College Placement

All students in the class of 2022 earned diplomas; 95 percent are enrolled in college. This list includes post-secondary schools where AHA graduates are enrolled or have been accepted in the years from 2018-2022. (Colleges in bold type are schools where AHA graduates are currently enrolled.)

Adelphi University  
 Agnes Scott College  
**Allegheny College**  
 American University  
 American University of Paris  
 Aquinas College  
**Arizona State University**  
 Assumption University  
 Auburn University  
**Augsburg University**  
 Augustana College  
 Augustana University (South Dakota)  
**Baldwin Wallace University**  
 Ball State University  
**Barnard College**  
 Barry University  
**Baylor University**  
**Belmont University**  
**Beloit College**  
**Bemidji State University**  
**Benedictine College**  
 Bentley University  
 Bethany Lutheran College  
 Bethel University-MN  
 Bethune-Cookman University  
**Binghamton University**  
**Boston College**  
 Boston University  
**Bradley University**  
 Brandeis University  
 Bryant University  
 Bucknell University  
 Buena Vista University  
**Butler University**  
 California Lutheran University  
**California Polytechnic State University**  
**Carleton College**  
 Carroll College (Montana)  
 Carroll University (Wisconsin)  
 Carthage College  
**Case Western Reserve University**  
 Catholic University of America  
**Central Methodist University**  
 Chaminade University of Honolulu  
 Chapman University  
 Clark Atlanta University  
 Clemson University  
**Coastal Carolina University**  
**Cocoon Community College**  
 Coe College  
 Colby College  
 Colgate University  
**College for Creative Studies**  
**College of Saint Benedict**  
**College of St. Scholastica**  
 College of the Holy Cross  
**Colorado College**  
 Colorado School of Mines  
**Colorado State University**  
 Columbia College Chicago  
 Columbia University  
**Concordia College, Moorhead**  
 Concordia University, Irvine  
**Concordia University, St. Paul**  
 Coppin State University  
 Cornell College  
**Creighton University**  
**Crown College**  
**Dakota County Technical College**  
 Davidson College  
**De Anza College**  
**DePaul University**  
 DePauw University  
 Dickinson College  
 Dougherty Family College at  
 University of St. Thomas  
**Drake University**  
 Drexel University  
**Dunwoody College of Technology**  
 East Carolina University  
 Eastern Michigan University  
 Eckerd College  
 Elon University  
 Fairfield University  
 Ferris State University  
 Flagler College  
 Florida Atlantic University  
**Florida Gulf Coast University**  
**Fordham University**  
 Franklin and Marshall College  
 Full Sail University  
 Furman University  
 George Mason University  
**George Washington University**  
**Georgia Institute of Technology**  
 Gonzaga University  
**Grand Canyon University**  
**Grinnell College**  
**Gustavus Adolphus College**  
**Hamline University**  
 Hampton University  
 Haverford College  
 Hawaii Pacific University  
**Hennepin Technical College**

**High Point University**  
 Hilbert College  
 Hobart William Smith College  
 Hofstra University  
 Holy Cross College  
 Holy Family College  
**Howard University**  
 Hunter College of the CUNY  
 Husson University  
 Illinois State University  
 Illinois Wesleyan University  
 Indiana State University  
**Indiana University at Bloomington**  
**Inver Hills Community College**  
**Iowa Central Community College**  
**Iowa State University**  
**James Madison University**  
 John Carroll University  
**Johns Hopkins University**  
 Johnson & Wales University (Providence)  
 Kalamazoo College  
 Kansas State University  
 Kenyon College  
 King's College  
**Kirkwood Community College**  
 La Salle University  
**Lake Forest College**  
**Lake Region State College**  
 Lawrence University  
 Le Moyne College  
**Lees-McRae College**  
 Lehigh University  
**Lindenwood University**  
 Longwood University  
 Loras College  
**Loyola Marymount University**  
**Loyola University Chicago**  
**Loyola University Maryland**  
 Luther College  
**Lynn University**  
**Macalester College**  
 Manhattan College  
 Marist College  
**Marquette University**  
 Marymount Manhattan College  
 Maryville University of Saint Louis  
**McGill University**  
 Menlo College  
 Merrimack College  
**Metropolitan State University**  
**Metropolitan State University of Denver**  
**Miami University, Oxford**  
 Michigan State University  
**Michigan Technological University**  
 Milwaukee School of Engineering  
 Minneapolis College of Art and Design  
**Minneapolis Community and Technical College**  
**Minnesota State University, Mankato**  
**Minnesota State University, Moorhead**  
**Missouri Western State University**  
**Monash University**  
**Montana State University, Bozeman**  
**Morgan State University**  
 Mount Mercy University  
 Mount St. Mary's University  
 Mount Saint Mary's University, Chalons  
**New England College**  
 New School - All Divisions  
**New York University**  
 Newberry College  
**Normandale Community College**  
 North Carolina State University  
**North Central College**  
**North Dakota State College of Science**  
**North Dakota State University**  
 North Hennepin Community College  
 North Park University  
**Northeastern University**  
**Northern Arizona University**  
 Northern Illinois University  
 Northern Michigan University  
 Northern State University  
 Northland College  
 Norwich University  
**Nova Southeastern University**  
 NYU Shanghai  
**Ohio State University**  
 Old Dominion University  
 Oregon State University  
 Pace University  
**Pennsylvania State University**  
 Pennsylvania State University, Berks  
 Pennsylvania State University, Harrisburg  
 Pennsylvania State University, Lehigh Valley  
**Pepperdine University**  
 Point Loma Nazarene University  
 Prairie View A & M University  
**Pratt Institute**  
 Providence College  
**Purdue University**  
 Purdue University, Fort Wayne  
 Purdue University, Northwest  
**Queens University**  
**Quincy University**

Quinnipiac University  
 Reed College  
**Regis University**  
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
 Rice University  
 Richmond, The American International University  
 in London  
 Rider University  
**Ringling College of Art and Design**  
 Ripon College  
 Rochester Institute of Technology  
**Rockhurst University**  
 Roger Williams University  
 Rollins College  
**Rutgers University-New Brunswick**  
 Sacred Heart University  
 Saint Cloud State University  
**Saint John's University (MN)**  
 Saint Leo University  
**Saint Louis University**  
 Saint Mary's College  
 Saint Mary's College of California  
**Saint Mary's University of Minnesota**  
 Saint Michael's College  
**Saint Paul College**  
 Saint Xavier University  
 Salve Regina University  
**San Diego State University**  
 San Jose State University  
**Santa Ana College**  
**Santa Clara University**  
 Sarah Lawrence College  
 Savannah College of Art and Design  
**School of the Art Institute of Chicago**  
 School of Visual Arts  
 Seattle Pacific University  
**Seattle University**  
 Seton Hall University  
 Simmons University  
**Skidmore College**  
 South Dakota School of Mines and Technology  
**South Dakota State University**  
**Southern Methodist University**  
**Southern New Hampshire University**  
 Southwest Minnesota State University  
 Southwestern Community College  
**St. Bonaventure University**  
**St. Catherine University - St. Paul**  
**St. Cloud Technical and Community College**  
**St. Francis College**  
**St. John's University - Queens Campus**  
 St. Norbert College  
**St. Olaf College**  
 Stetson University  
 Stonehill College  
**Stony Brook University**  
 Suffolk University  
 SUNY Albany  
 SUNY College of Agriculture and  
 Technology at Cobleskill  
 SUNY Plattsburgh  
**Syracuse University**  
 Temple University  
 Texas A&M University, College Station  
**Texas Christian University**  
 The College of Saint Rose  
 The Evergreen State College  
 The University of Texas, Dallas  
 Trinity College  
 Trinity College Dublin  
 Trinity Washington University  
 Truman State University  
**Tulane University**  
 Universita Bocconi  
**Universidad de Navarra**  
**University at Buffalo The State University of**  
 New York  
**University of Alabama**  
**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 Central Florida  
 University of Chicago  
**University of Colorado, Boulder**  
 University of Colorado, Colorado Springs  
 University of Colorado, Denver  
**University of Connecticut**  
 University of Dallas  
 University of Dayton  
 University of Delaware  
**University of Denver**  
**University of Dubuque**  
 University of Edinburgh  
 University of Hawaii at Manoa  
 University of Idaho  
**University of Illinois, Chicago**  
 University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  
**University of Iowa**  
**University of Jamestown**

**University of Kansas**  
 University of Kentucky  
 University of Maine, Augusta  
 University of Manitoba  
**University of Mary**  
 University of Maryland, College Park  
 University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
 University of Massachusetts, Boston  
**University of Massachusetts, Lowell**  
 University of Miami  
**University of Michigan, Ann Arbor**  
 University of Minnesota, Crookston  
**University of Minnesota, Duluth**  
**University of Minnesota, Morris**  
**University of Minnesota, Rochester**  
**University of Minnesota, Twin Cities**  
 University of Mississippi  
**University of Missouri Columbia**  
 University of Missouri St. Louis  
 University of Mobile  
**University of Montana**  
**University of Nebraska, Lincoln**  
 University of Nebraska, Omaha  
 University of Nevada, Las Vegas  
**University of Nevada, Reno**  
 University of New Hampshire  
 University of New Mexico  
 University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
 University of North Carolina, Greensboro  
**University of North Dakota**  
 University of Northern Colorado  
**University of Northern Iowa**  
**University of Northwest**  
**University of Notre Dame**  
 University of Oklahoma  
**University of Oregon**  
 University of Ottawa  
 University of Pittsburgh  
**University of Portland**  
**University of Puget Sound**  
 University of Richmond  
**University of San Diego**  
**University of San Francisco**  
 University of Sioux Falls  
 University of South Alabama  
 University of South Carolina  
**University of South Dakota**  
**University of Southern California**  
**University of St. Thomas (MN)**  
**University of Tampa**  
 University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
 University of the Pacific  
**University of Utah**  
**University of Vermont**  
 University of Virginia  
**University of Washington**  
 University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire  
 University of Wisconsin, La Crosse  
 University of Wisconsin, Madison  
 University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee  
 University of Wisconsin, Platteville  
**University of Wisconsin, River Falls**  
 University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point  
**University of Wisconsin, Stout**  
**University of Wisconsin, Superior**  
 Upper Iowa University  
 Utah State University  
 Valencia College  
**Valley City State University**  
 Vassar College  
 Villanova University  
 Virginia Commonwealth University  
 Virginia Military Institute  
 Virginia State University  
**Viterbo University**  
 Washington College  
**Washington University in St. Louis**  
**Webster University**  
**Wesleyan University**  
 Western Illinois University  
 Western Michigan University  
**Whitman College**  
 Whittier College  
 Wichita State University  
 Willamette University  
 Wingate University  
**Winona State University**  
 Wisconsin Lutheran College  
**Worcester Polytechnic Institute**  
**Xavier University**  
**Xavier University of Louisiana**