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# JSERRA SCHOOL PROFILE 2023-2024

# **KEY ASPECTS OF THE SCHOOL**

JSerra Catholic High School, established in 2003, is the first non-diocesan founded, private Roman Catholic high school in California and the fourth in the country. Located in historic San Juan Capistrano, CA, JSerra is in an ideal location between San Diego and Los Angeles. JSerra provides a Christian culture that builds up the whole student through robust intellectual development and innovative co-curricular programming combined with high-level athletic opportunities, all grounded in virtue-based character formation.

# **MISSION STATEMENT**

JSerra is an independent Roman Catholic high school that encourages students to pursue personal and professional excellence in life. Guided by the teachings of the Catholic Church, we work in partnership with committed parents and inspirational teachers to form the faith, intellect, and character of our young men and women within a Christ-centered, sacrament-based learning environment.

# **ACCREDITATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS**

JSerra is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and the Western Catholic Education Association (WCEA). JSerra is a member of the College Board, the National Catholic Educational Association, Western Association of College Admissions Counseling (WACAC), and the National Association for College Admissions Coun seling (NACAC).

# THE CLASS OF 2023 PROFILE

286

SENIORS GRADUATED FROM JSERRA IN 2022

\$19,184,415

TOTAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS & FINANCIAL AID OFFERED TO OUR GRADUATES AVERAGING

\$67,078

**PER SENIOR** 

THE CLASS OF 2022 GAINED ACCEPTANCES TO

**300** 

PUBLIC & PRIVATE COLLEGES, ART COLLEGES AND FOREIGN UNIVERSITIES IN

34

**STATES AND** 

3

**COUNTRIES** 

60

**CSF GOLD SEAL BEARERS** 

56

**NHS MEMBERS** 

# NATIONAL MERIT RECOGNITION

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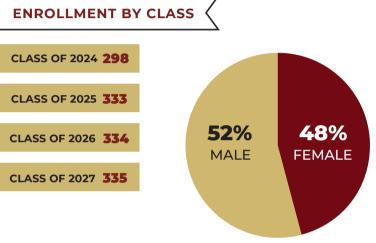
## **STUDENT BODY 2023-2024**

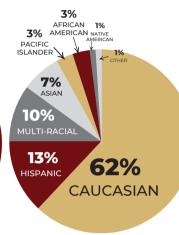
Admission is determined by entrance exam (HSPT), recommendations, and elementary school grades. JSerra receives over **1,000** applications annually. We accept approximately **40%** of applicants. Over **75%** of admitted students matriculate.

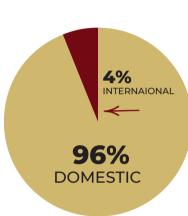
#### For the 2023-2024 school year:

**25%** of the student body receives financial grants/scholarships.

75 domestic public and private elementary schools are represented in the freshman class.







# **CURRICULUM**

The academic program is organized in a modified block schedule. Online classes taken are denoted on our transcripts. Theology is included in our academic GPA and is considered a core academic class at JSerra. First Year Seminar is a required course for all students with the majority of the content covering logic and grammar. Students are not ranked at JSerra except for the valedictorian and salutatorian.

#### A student must complete 270 credits to graduate.

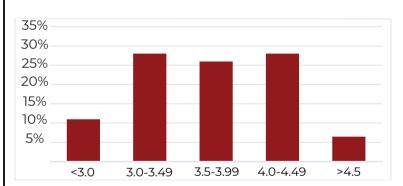
# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE:

Theology*	
English	40 credits
Math	30 credits
Science	30 credits
Social Studies	30 credits
World Language	20 credits
Visual & Performing Arts	10 credits
Physical Education	20 credits
First Year Seminar*	5 credits
Health	5 credits
Electives	40 credits

<sup>\*</sup>Transfer students are exempt from completing the full requirement.

Students must also complete 80 hours of Christian Service (20 hours annually) by the time of graduation.

# THE CLASS OF 2023 GPA



ACADEMIC MEAN Weighted 3.67 / Unweighted 3.42 10% of seniors take four or more APs their senior year

## **GRADING AND GPA**

The school year is divided into two semesters. Grades are weighted by one point for Honors and AP courses. JSerra assigns letter grades using a 4.0 system. Pluses and minues do not affect the GPA.

A = 90-100

B = 80-89

C = 70-79

D = 60-69

F = 0.59

Honor roll qualifications based on weighted academic GPA each semester. Principal's Honor Roll = 4.0 and above Honor Roll = 3.5-3.99

# **JSERRA BY THE NUMBERS**

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STUDENT-TO-TEACHER RATIO

MEDIAN CLASS SIZE

CLASS SIZ

FACULTY HOLD ADVANCED DEGREES

**83**%

21.5

**AVERAGE CLASS SIZE** 

**MAGNET PROGRAMS** 

ARTS / BUSINESS ENGINEERING / LAW / MEDICAL

ACADEMIC & COLLEGE COUNSELORS

# MAGNET PROGRAMS

Approximately 30% of our student body participates in a magnet program. Because all magnet programs require specialized courses per year, many of the magnet students must take online and/or summer courses to meet all graduation requirements. Magnet students spend many hours outside of class to fulfill magnet requirements, whether it is visiting hospitals at five am, mock trials over weekends, or statewide and national competitions, all resulting in recognitions regionally and nationally. All magnet courses receive honors credit and only students in the magnet programs are allowed to take the specialized classes.

#### THE ARTS MAGNET

The Arts Magnet Program provides four years of pre-professional training in the Visual and Performing Arts, specifically, Choir, Dance, Drawing and Painting, Orchestra, and Theatre. Discipline-specific honors and AP courses are designed to develop students' skills to an advanced level and provide them with the foundation to pursue their art at the college level. Students can choose from a multitude of visual and performing arts classes in addition to the following extracurricular courses taken in the evenings, including:

- JAMS JSerra Arts Magnet Singers
- JAM-ON JSerra Arts Magnet

#### THE TEVORA ENGINEERING MAGNET

The JSerra Engineering Magnet Program (EMP) adopts the curriculum of Project Lead the Way (PLTW), a leader in providing rigorous and innovative STEM education. Classes include:

- ·Introduction to Engineering
- ·Principles of Engineering
- ·Aerospace Engineering
- ·Civil Engineering
- ·Computer Information Manufacturing
- ·Computer Science

## THE PATRICK AHLE LAW MAGNET

The Pre Law Professional Magnet Program gives students access to the first year Law School curriculum. All courses are articulated through Saddleback College, giving students 18 units of college credit by the time of graduation. Classes include:

- ·Introduction to Law
- ·Legal Research and Writing
- ·Legal Aspects of Real Estate
- ·Criminal Law
- ·Constitutional Law
- ·Contract Law

#### THE HUMANITIES PROGRAM

Drawing on the great thinkers, writers, philosophers, and artists of Western Civilization, the program will form students' minds through an education of the heart. Humanities takes a thematic-historic approach that follows a four-year trajectory from the Ancients to Post-Modernism, studying the foundations, high points, and centrality of Christian culture and the Catholic worldview in forming an understanding of the human person. Focusing on readings in English and Theology from the Western canon and Christian culture, the program will seek to uncover the common thread that weaves all great ideas together: Christ revealed through the good, the true, and the beautiful.

#### THE DUPONT BUSINESS MAGNET

Founded in 2011, the DuPont Business Magnet Program has a relationship with the Paul Merage School of Business at UC Irvine. Courses are articulated through Saddleback College, providing students with 18 units of college credit. Classes include:

- ·Intro to Business
- ·Business Communications
- ·Accounting and Contract Law
- ·Sales and Marketing
- ·Capstone Project

#### THE MEDICAL MAGNET

Students in the Medical Magnet Program take the most rigorous math and science pathways available at JSerra and double up in science for four years. Classes include:

- ·Introduction to Health Sciences
- ·Medical Ethics
- ·Anatomy Physiology
- ·Concepts of Genetics
- ·Introduction to Neuroscience

# 2023-2024 AP INFORMATION

JSerra offers 22 AP courses (with others available through FLVS). Students must meet class and grade pre-requisites to be placed in AP courses, which include an A- in both semesters of the college prep level or a B- in both semesters of the prior honors / AP level. All students who enroll in AP courses are required to sit for the AP exam. We report scores for all students who sit for an AP exam.

# **2023 AP EXAM PASS RATES\***

SUBJECT	PASS RATE	# OF STUDENTS
2D Art & Design	94%	18
Biology	<b>82</b> %	17
Calculus AB	<b>97</b> %	29
Calculus BC	100%	6
Chemistry	86%	50
Chinese Lang. & Cult.	100%	12
Comp. Sci A	100%	8
Drawing	100%	5
English Language	96%	81
English Literature	91%	57
Envir. Science	97%	63

SUBJECT	PASS RATE	# OF STUDENTS
European History	92%	52
French	14%	7
Macroeconomics	84%	86
Music Theory	<b>50</b> %	10
Physics 1	<b>65</b> %	23
Physics 2	100%	6
Physics C: Mechanics	100%	9
Spanish	95%	21
Statistics	90%	41
US Gov. & Politics	<b>78</b> %	36
US History	<b>77</b> %	112

## **AP EXAM FAST FACTS**

755 AP exams taken by 418 students

**Average Score 3.7** 

Percent of students earning a 3 or higher: 85%

Percent of students earning a 4 or 5: 61%

Number of AP Classes in 2023-2024: 22

**68 AP Scholars** 

27 AP Scholars with Honors

55 AP Scholars with Distinction

\*Pass equates to a score of 3 or higher.

# **2023 SAT INFORMATION**

In 2022-2023, 124 JSerra seniors took the SAT.

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>JSERRA</u>	<u>NATIONAL</u>
ERW	608	480
Math	630	530
TOTAL	1238	1010

## 2023 ACT INFORMATION

In 2023, 70 JSerra seniors took the ACT.

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>JSERRA</u>	<u>NATIONAL</u>
English	27.7	18.6
Math	25.9	19.0
Reading	28.0	20.0
Science	25.8	19.6
Composite	26.9	19.5

# **CLASS OF 2023 DECISION DATA**

90% 4-YEAR COLLEGE **10% 2-YEAR COLLEGE** 

**42% IN-STATE 58% OUT-OF-STATE** 

12% UC / 9% CSU / 11% CATHOLIC

51% Applied Regular Decision / 49% Applied Early Action/Decision

# **COLLEGE ADMISSIONS FOR THE CLASS OF 2023**

Students were accepted into over 300 different colleges & universities across the globe including France and the United Kingdom.

Arizona State University-Tempe Auburn University

Baylor University

Benedictine College +

Boise State University

Boston College +

**Boston University** 

Brigham Young University-Provo

Brown University

Cal Poly San Luis Obisbo

California Baptist University California State University-Chico

California State University-Fullerton

California State University-Monterey Bay

California State University-San Marcos

Chaminade University of Honolulu +

Chapman University

Claremont McKenna College

Coastal Carolina University College of the Holy Cross +

Colorado Mesa University

Colorado School of Mines

Concordia University-Irvine

Contra Costa College

Creighton University +

DePaul University +

Eastman School of Music of the University of

Rochester

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Prescott

Emerson College **Emory University** 

Fordham University +

Franciscan University of Steubenville +

Georgetown University Gonzaga University +

Grand Canyon University-Traditional Campus

Hawaii Pacific University High Point University

Hofstra University

Illinois College

Irvine Valley College James Madison University

John Paul the Great Catholic University +

Louisiana State University

Loyola Marymount University +

Loyola University Chicago +

Loyola University New Orleans +

Michigan State University New York University

Northeastern University

Northwestern Preparatory School (California)

Orange Coast College

Oregon State University

Pennsylvania State University-Penn State Harrisburg

Pennsylvania State University-Penn State Main

Campus Point Loma Nazarene University

Pratt Institute-Main

Purdue University-Main Campus

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Rhode Island School of Design

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

Saddleback College

Saint Edward's University +

Saint Louis University +

Salt Lake Community College

Santa Barbara City College

Santa Clara University +

Savannah College of Art & Design - SCAD

Seattle University +

Southern Methodist University

Stanford University

Suffolk University

Syracuse University

Texas Christian University

Texas State University

The American University of Paris The George Washington University

The New School

The University of Alabama

The University of Edinburgh

The University of Tampa

The University of Tennessee-Knoxville Tulane University of Louisiana

United States Air Force Academy

University of Arizona

University of California-Berkeley 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 Colorado Boulder

University of Denver

University of GeorgiaUniversity of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

University of Kansas University of Massachusetts-Amherst

University of Miami

University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

University of Mississippi

University of Nevada-Las Vegas

University of Notre Dame

University of Oklahoma-Norman Campus University of Oregon

University of San Diego + University of San Francisco +

University of Southern California

University of Utah

University of Vermont University of Virginia

University of Washington-Seattle Campus

University of Wisconsin - Madison

Utah Tech University Vanderbilt University

Villanova University

Virginia Military Institute Washington State University

Washington University in St Louis

Wesleyan University Westmont College

William and Mary College