



# MONTE VISTA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

## 2023-2024 High School Profile

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CEE/ACT: 053705

### MISSION STATEMENT

We empower learners to achieve their highest potential through Christ-centered educational excellence by courageously engaging in God's redemptive work throughout our world.

**Nikki Daniels, MBA**  
Head of School

**Susan Swing, MA**  
Assistant Head of School  
High School Principal

**Mallory Robinette, MA, PPS**  
Lead Guidance Counselor  
11th & 12th Grade IB Diploma Candidates

**Jana Smith, MA**  
11th & 12th Grade Guidance Counselor

**Isabelle Menez, MA**  
9th & 10th Grade Guidance Counselor

**Shannon Darton**  
Registrar

### AUTHORIZATION

International Baccalaureate World School

### ACCREDITATION

Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)

Association of Christian School International (ACSI)

### MEMBERSHIPS

National Association of College Admissions Counseling( NACAC)

Western Association of College Admissions Counseling (WACAC)

Council of Educational Standards and Accountability (CESA)

Monte Vista Christian School is an independent, coeducational day and boarding school for students in grades fifth through twelve. Graduation requirements meet California State Department of Education standards as MVC is fully accredited with both the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI). Monte Vista Christian School is an International Baccalaureate World School offering a college preparatory curriculum designed to meet the admissions requirements of all California State Universities, Universities of California, in addition to other public and private universities in the US and abroad.

### MVC AT A GLANCE

- Independent, Interdenominational Christian School
- 781 Students in 5-12 Grade
- 24 International Students
- 516 High School Students
- 121 Seniors
- 62 Faculty Members | 52 % with Advanced Degrees
- International Baccalaureate & College Prep Curriculum
- 12 HL Courses
- 13 SL Courses
- 9 MYP Honors Courses
- Student Internship Opportunities
- Weekly Chapel Program
- Math and Writing Labs
- ACE Support Course
- 16 Sports | 29 Teams
- Two Theater Productions per year
- Sophomore Personal Project

### MVC UNWEIGHTED GRADING SCALE

GRADE	MYP	DP	GPA
A	7-8	6-7	4.0
B	5-6	4.5-5	3.0
C	3-4	3-4	2.0
D	1-2	1-2	1.0
F	0 - No Evidence	0 - No Evidence	0.0

### TRANSCRIPT MASTERY

Our grade system is based on a mastery of the subject so scores reflect the level of understanding the student ended the year with based on criterion and demonstration of learning.

### ENROLLMENT

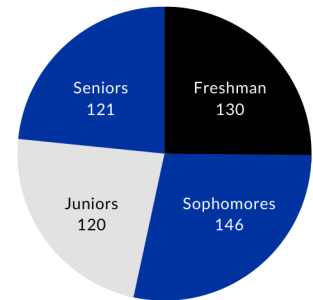
2023-2024 Monte Vista Christian High School Enrollment Distribution.

### STUDENT SCHEDULE

Students are required to take eight courses in grades 9 - 10, seven courses in 11th grade, and a minimum of six courses in grade 12. The schedule provides a rotating block schedule of four, 80-minute periods a day.

### CLASS OF 2023

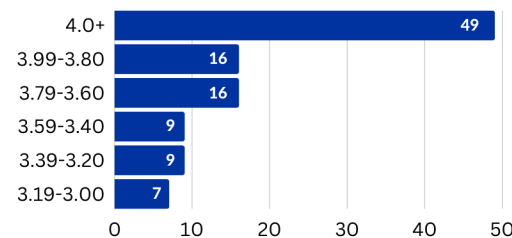
41 IB Diploma Candidates  
20 IB Diploma Recipients



Day Students: 492  
International Students: 24  
Total Students: 516

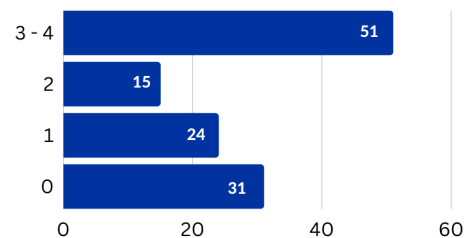
### CLASS OF 2024 GPA DISTRIBUTION

End of 11th grade



### CLASS OF 2024 HL COURSES IN PROGRESS

Completed or in Progress HL Courses



## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Monte Vista offers two diplomas: an MVCS High School Diploma and an IB Diploma. "F" grades in courses required for graduation must be repeated. F and D grades are recoverable by retaking the course or completing a recovery course.

Subject	MVC Diploma Credits	IB Diploma Credits
English	40	40
Mathematics	30	40
Natural Science	30	40
Social Sciences	30	40
World Language	20	20
Bible	40	40
Health & Exercise Science	20	20
Visual & Performing Arts	10	20
Electives	60	40
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	280 Minimum	300 Minimum

**\*MVC Diploma with Honors:** Complete an additional 40 credits above the MVC Diploma requirements in one or more of the following areas: English, Mathematics, Individuals & Societies, Science, DP Visual and Performing Arts, and World Language. Must be a course candidate in a minimum of 1 Higher Level (HL) course and earn a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher.

**Extended Essay (EE):** All IB diploma candidates will complete an EE for graduation.

**‡ Physical Education:** This requirement can be met through participation in two seasons of an MVC sanctioned sport.

**Creativity, Activity and Service (CAS):** All IB diploma candidates will complete an CAS for graduation.

**†MVC IB Diploma Additional Requirements:** Must take at least three (3) IB Standard Level courses and three (3) IB Higher Level courses and complete the IB Diploma Program's CORE (CAS, EE, TOK).

**\*Variable:** If a student elects to replace the VPA course with another subject, she/he will only need 10 credits in VPA.

**Disclaimer:** Receiving the MVC IB Diploma indicates a student has met all of the requirements of the IB issued diploma. Although a student has met these requirements, receiving the IB diploma from IB is contingent on meeting the IB Diploma test score requirements.

## INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

The Diploma Program (DP) provides students in grades 11-12 a set of curriculum in which they apply the inquiry skills developed in the MYP to more advanced courses. While everyone in grades 11-12 will take DP courses, they will have the option to pursue Higher Level (HL) or Standard Level (SL) versions, in addition to Theory of Knowledge (TOK), Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS), and Extended Essay (EE). Students pursuing an IB diploma (as opposed to a standard MVC diploma) will take 3 HL & 3 SL courses

The Middle Years Program (MYP) provides students in grades 6-10 an inquiry-based learning framework. Eight core subjects are covered throughout the five years of the MYP, with the Personal Project as a capstone in 10th grade.

## PERSONAL PROJECT

The personal project is completed at the end of 10th grade. It is a culminating experience in which students apply their approaches to learning skills to complete an extended, self-directed piece of work. This required component provides opportunities for creative and truly personal demonstrations of learning. Completion of the project is reflected on the transcript with credit or no credit depending on completion.

## IB EXAMS

All students are allowed to take IB external Assessments for all HL courses and IB Diploma candidates will take External Assessments for all SL and HL courses.

## HL & HONORS CLASSES

MVC encourages balance in classes throughout high school. Students are asked to take no more than 3 HL courses (they may appeal to take up to 4 but it is highly discouraged). Students taking HL courses are required to take the External Assessment.

## COURSE OFFERINGS \*All HL & SL courses consist of two year courses.

### SCIENCES

MYP Biology or H  
MYP Chemistry or H  
MYP Health & Wellness  
MYP Physics  
DP Biology HL  
DP Physics SL  
DP Sports, Exercise & Health Science SL or HL  
DP Environmental Systems & Societies SL

### LANGUAGE ACQUISITION

MYP Spanish I  
MYP Spanish II  
MYP Spanish III  
DP Spanish VI  
DP Spanish SL  
DP Spanish ab initio

### MATHEMATICS

MYP Algebra I  
MYP Geometry or H  
MYP Algebra II or H  
MYP Pre-Calculus or H  
DP Applications & Interpretation SL or HL

### SOCIAL SCIENCE

MYP World History or H  
MYP US History or H  
MYP Psychology  
DP History SL or HL  
DP Environmental Systems & Societies SL  
DP Psychology SL or HL Yr. II  
DP Global Politics SL or HL Yr. II

### ENGLISH

MYP English I or H  
MYP English II or H  
DP Language & Literature SL or HL  
DP Literature HL

### BIBLE

MYP Biblical Narrative I  
MYP Biblical Narrative II  
MYP Biblical Narrative II: Discipleship  
DP Theory of Knowledge Year I & II

### ELECTIVES

Sports Performance  
Physical Education  
Dance Fundamentals  
Mechatronic Engineering  
3D Printing & Design  
Engineering  
Robotics  
Gaming & Coding  
Podcasting  
Yearbook  
Economics of Entrepreneurship  
Ethics  
ACE  
Math Lab I/II  
Writing Lab I/II  
Study Hall

### FINE ARTS

MYP Mustang Band  
MYP Guitar or Advanced  
MYP Chorale  
MYP Intro to Theatre  
MYP Scenic Design  
MYP Art I - II  
MYP Photography or Advanced  
MYP Ceramics I - II  
MYP Dance Fundamentals  
MYP Graphic Design or Adv.  
MYP Digital Video Production or Advanced  
DP Music SL or HL  
DP Theatre SL or HL  
DP Visual Arts SL or HL  
DP Film SL or HL  
Chamber Choir

## SCOIR

MVC uses Scoir to electronically send records to Universities.

## CLASS RANK

MVC does not rank students.