



# CANISIUS HIGH SCHOOL

Buffalo, NY | Established 1870  
Jesuit Preparation For College ... For Life

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## Accreditations & Professional Memberships

- New York State Department of Education
- New York State Association of Independent Schools
- Middle States Association of Colleges and High Schools
- Jesuit Schools Network
- National Catholic Education Association

# ACADEMIC SCHOOL PROFILE

## 2024-2025

## OUR MISSION

Canisius High School, located in the city of Buffalo, is a Catholic, Jesuit, independent, college preparatory school serving young men of diverse backgrounds from Western New York. Founded in 1870, Canisius High School is affiliated with 59 other Jesuit high schools and 27 Jesuit colleges and universities in the United States.

While immersed in Catholic tradition, Canisius welcomes and respects a diversity of religious traditions. Canisius strives to educate the whole person by creating an atmosphere that engages the body, mind and spirit. Learning extends beyond the classroom by helping students become critical thinkers and effective communicators. Committed to a goal of academic excellence, an education at Canisius also forms young men who are open to growth, academically accomplished, religious, loving and committed to social justice. Graduates emerge as “men for and with others.”

Canisius High School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national or ethnic origin in its admission and educational programs, or in its curricular or co-curricular programs.

## OUR SCHOOL

### House System

The Canisius student body is comprised of six houses, all named after prominent Jesuits – Arrupe, Campion, Gonzaga, Jogues, Loyola and Xavier. Students remain a part of their houses for all four years, affording the opportunity to build stronger bonds in smaller communities of students and faculty. The House Council, comprised of members of each house from grades 10-12, is responsible for leadership and coordination of house events and activities.

### Enrollment

606 males grades 9-12  
Student/teacher ratio of 11:1  
Admission is based upon solid academic performance, examination and recommendation.

### Graduation Requirements

Graduation Units Required: 30

English	4
History	4
Religion	4
Math	3
Science	3
Language	1-3
Phys. Ed	2
Ignatian Service	2
Fine Arts	1
Heath	½
Innovative Tech.	½
Electives	3-5

*\*Canisius High School is chartered and registered by the Regents of the University of the State of New York as a college preparatory school. Graduates surpass the minimum coursework requirements for a NYS Regents diploma. Therefore, Canisius does not participate in NYS Regents examinations.\**

### Ignatian Scholars Program

Entering freshmen who are intellectually gifted and have distinguished themselves through high achievement and superior entrance exam scores are given the designation of Ignatian Scholars. They are enrolled in honors and accelerated courses and must maintain a 90% average.

### Grading System

100 point grading scale  
Minimum passing grade is 70%  
Grades are not weighted

### Conversion to 4.0 Scale

94-100	=	4.0
90-93	=	3.6 - 3.9
87-89	=	3.3 - 3.5
83-86	=	2.9 - 3.2
80-82	=	2.6 - 2.8
77-79	=	2.3 - 2.5
73-76	=	1.9 - 2.2
70-72	=	1.6 - 1.8

### Honors Status

**First Honors:** GPA of 93.00 and above and no grades below 80.

**Second Honors:** GPA of 90.00-92.99 and no grades below 80.

### Canisius Does Not Rank Our Students

Canisius believes that ranking students is not an accurate reflection of our rigorous college preparatory curriculum, the selective nature of our student body or individual student achievement. Therefore, ranking students would be a misleading indication of a student's academic ability and capacity to successfully manage college-level studies.

### Extracurricular Activities

Extracurricular activities include 21 interscholastic sports, intramural programs, and 30 student clubs and activities, including but not limited to school publications, leadership organizations, performing arts, recreational clubs, and career-based learning.

### Ignatian Service Program

Canisius students are invited to grow in self-knowledge through a personal experience of service with those on the margins of society, including the poor, homeless, disabled, elderly and chronically ill. Students are required to complete 100 service hours during their four years.

## SAT SCORES: 2024 GRADUATES

	CHS	NYS	USA
Mean Reading & Writing	584	522	519
Mean Math	580	513	505

(84% of class took SAT)

Distribution of scores:	500+	600+	700+
Reading & Writing	87%	45%	10%
Math	85%	40%	13%

## Class of 2024 and 2025 Distinctions

- 1 National Merit Scholarship Finalist
- 3 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists
- 9 National Merit Commended Students
- 1 National African American Recognition Program Scholar
- 1 National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholar
- 45 AP Scholars
- 31 AP Scholars with Honor
- 19 AP Scholars with Distinction

## College Matriculation Totals

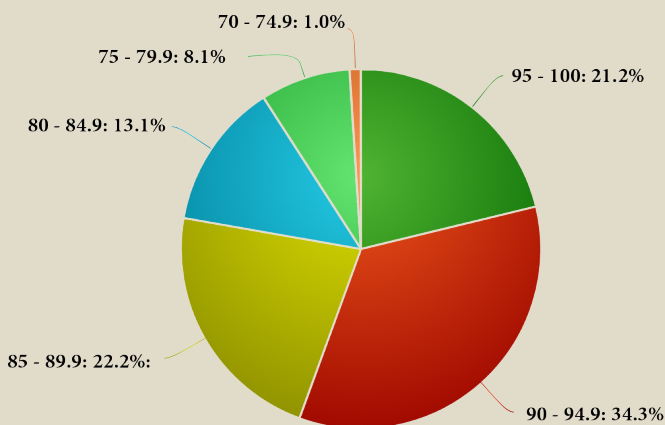
Class of 2024	98%
Class of 2023	99%
Class of 2022	96%
Class of 2021	94%

## Class of 2024 College Matriculation (134 graduates)

Private Colleges	56%
Public Colleges	40%
Jesuit Colleges	22%
New York State	54%
New England & Mid-Atlantic (excl. NY)	18%
Midwest	13%
South	10%
West/Southwest	4%
International	<1%

For a complete list of college acceptances, go to: [canisiushigh.org/academics/counseling/college-acceptances](http://canisiushigh.org/academics/counseling/college-acceptances)

## Grade Distribution



## Canisius High School Course Offerings 2024-25

### Business

(All Business courses are dual enrollment courses with Canisius University)

- Entrepreneurship & Financial Intelligence
- Intro to Accounting
- Intro to Finance
- Intro to Marketing
- Intro to Sports Management

### Computer Science

- Intro to Innovative Technologies
- Intro to Computer Science I
- Intro to Computer Science II
- Computer Game Design
- Computer Game Design & Animation
- Cybersecurity
- Robotics
- AP Computer Science Principles

### English

- English 9, 10, 11, 12
- English Honors 9, 10
- AP English Literature
- AP English Language
- Publication for Seniors

### Fine Arts

- American Popular Music
- Broadcasting
- Chorus
- Concert Band
- Creating Digital Music
- Drawing & Painting
- Intro to Art & Music
- Intro to Piano Keyboarding
- Graphic Design
- Guitar Ensemble
- Hand Bell Ensemble
- Photography
- Publication/Graphic Design
- Sculpture
- Studio Art
- String Orchestra

### History

- Global History 9 & 10
- U.S. History
- American Government
- Economics
- AP World History
- AP European History
- AP U.S. History
- AP U.S. Government
- History of Western New York
- Intro to Constitutional Law

### Language

- French 1, 2, 3, 4
- Latin 1, 2, 3
- Spanish 1, 2, 3, 4
- Spanish 3 Honors

### Mathematics

- Algebra
- Geometry
- Algebra II/Trig
- Precalculus
- Applied Statistics
- Geometry Honors
- Algebra II/Trig Honors
- Precalculus/Calculus Honors
- AP Calculus AB & BC
- AP Statistics
- Gifted Math Program (SUNY Buffalo)

### Physical Education

- PE 9, 10, 11, 12
- Health

### Religion

- Religious Studies 9, 10, 11, 12
- Religious Studies 12 Honors (Canisius University)
- Ignatian Service 9, 10, 11, 12

### Science

- Earth Science
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics Mech.
- AP Psychology
- Forensic Science
- Intro to Engineering