



10 Reasons Why Cristo Rey Students Stand Out

Cristo Rey Kansas City is home to over 200 outstanding students who enrich our communities. Our students stand out from many across the Kansas City metro. Here are 10 reasons why our CRKC Pumas are unique.

- 1. This year, 100% of our students are of racial and ethnic minority status.** 80% of our students speak another language at home. A bilingual, multi-ethnic student body exposes all students to various ideas outside of the general status quo. This diversity enriches their educational experience, preparing them to thrive in a globalized world.
- 2. 100% of our students are accepted at a college or university.** The typical rate is 68% at neighboring public schools.
- 3. All Cristo Rey students participate in four years of corporate work experience through the Corporate Work Study Program.** This program allows each student to be mentored in their jobs during four years of working in a professional setting while they work to earn their tuition expenses. All students leave Cristo Rey with these fundamental skills and experience, which sets them up for success after graduation.
- 4. Our students are leaders.** The leadership qualities of our students extend beyond the classroom. Many of our students take on leadership roles in student organizations, clubs, and projects. They

understand the importance of collaboration and work effectively with peers to solve problems and implement positive change.

5. Our students engage with our community. All Cristo Rey students graduate with thousands of hours of community service and experience working in their communities. This allows for a deeper understanding of their own community and how they can help our society progress.

6. Our students are resilient. The road to success is rarely without obstacles, but our students have proven time and time again that they possess the resilience and perseverance needed to overcome challenges. Whether balancing academics with part-time jobs, dealing with personal difficulties, or facing the pressures of modern life, our students rise above adversity. Their ability to stay focused and motivated, no matter the circumstances, is one of the many reasons they stand out.

7. Our students are well-rounded individuals with diverse interests and talents. They excel in sports, music, drama, and other extracurricular activities. This well-roundedness contributes to their ability to adapt to new situations and collaborate with various people and experiences, preparing them for success in any career or life path they choose.

8. Our Puma Nation is more like a family. Our students are safe and comfortable and feel guided toward success by our outstanding staff and faculty. Many of our students have expressed that coming to Cristo Rey provided them with the safety that they lacked in their previous school.

9. Our students and families are cared for and allowed a personable feel by our staff. Language barriers create many challenges for individuals and families. But at Cristo Rey Kansas City, this is not the case. Over 50% of our staff are bilingual, allowing for seamless communication with families. This creates an environment of trust and reliability. With an 11:1 student to teacher ratio, we have a high level of communication and strong relationships.

10. Cristo Rey Kansas City provides a Catholic education. We are sponsored by the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth and partner with Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Redemptorist Catholic Church. Our students are not only given educational materials and access to learn and grow in their Faith, but they also attend a monthly mass at Redemptorist Catholic Church. Our students and staff honor and practice Catholicism.