

# DON BOSCO CRISTO REY HIGH SCHOOL

**2024-2025 PROFILE | SCHOOL CODE: 210997**

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## Mission

Don Bosco Cristo Rey High School and Corporate Work Study Program (DBCR) is a Catholic college preparatory school for young men and women from the Washington, D.C. area who have the need and motivation to help earn their own tuition through an innovative Corporate Work Study Program.

## The Four Pillars of a Don Bosco Education

A parish that evangelizes, a home that welcomes, a school that prepares our students for life, and a playground where friends can meet.



**FAITH**



**FAMILY**



**FUTURE**



**FUN**

## History

Don Bosco Cristo Rey High School and Corporate Work Study Program was founded in 2007 as a member of the Cristo Rey Network (we are 1 of 40 schools in the Network). The Archdiocese of Washington invited the Salesians of Don Bosco of the St. Phillip the Apostle Province of New Rochelle, New York, to co-sponsor and co-found a 'Cristo Rey' model school in the Washington metropolitan area and to imbue the educational approach of St. John Bosco into the new school. The educational vision of the Salesians of Don Bosco inspires all those at Don Bosco Cristo Rey to teach as Jesus taught and to imitate Him in all we say and do. The first Graduation took place on June 2, 2011 at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. with 70 graduates who were all accepted to college. Since then, 100% of Don Bosco Cristo Rey graduates have continued to be accepted to college, receiving over \$22 million in merit and need based scholarships in the last two years alone.

## Student Body

DBCR is committed to providing a high-quality, Catholic college preparatory education to qualified students who might otherwise not be able to afford a private school education. We are able to keep tuition affordable through the Corporate Work Study Program and the generosity of our supporters.

Average  
Tuition Cost  
for Students  
\$1,683

Our Cost of  
Education  
\$21k



**420**  
Students  
Enrolled at DBCR



**72**  
Zip Codes  
Represented

## Accreditation & Associations

- Approved by the State of Maryland
- Cognia
- Cristo Rey Network of Schools
- National Catholic Education Association
- Recognized & Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington
- Recognized & Sponsored by the Salesians of Don Bosco
- Potomac Valley Athletic Conference (PVAC)

## STEM Partnerships



## Graduation Requirements

Course	Credits
Theology	4
English	4
Mathematics	4
Social Studies	4
Science	4
World Language	2
Health	0.5
Technology	0.5
College Prep	1
Fine Arts	1
Corporate Work Study Program	1 Credit Each Year of Attendance
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>Minimum 29 Credits Required</b>

## Grading Scale

Letter Grade	Number Grade	GPA
A+	97-100	4.3
A	93-96	4.0
A-	90-92	3.7
B+	87-89	3.3
B	83-86	3.0
B-	80-82	2.7
C+	77-79	2.3
C	73-76	2.0
C-	70-72	1.7
D+	67-69	1.3
D	65-66	1.0
F	64 and below	0.0
I	Incomplete	No Credit

## Curriculum

### College and Career Preparatory

College Prep  
Corporate Work Study

### English

English I: Foundations of Writing and Analysis  
English II: Discovering Literary Themes and Composition\*  
English III: Literary Analysis and Research Methods  
English IV: Applying Analytical Methods to Writing  
AP English Literature and Composition

### Fine Arts

Dance  
Visual Arts  
Band

### Foreign Language

Spanish I, II, III  
Heritage Spanish I, II, III  
AP Spanish Language and Composition  
AP Spanish Literature and Composition

### Health & Physical Education

#### Math

Algebra 1  
Algebra II\*  
Geometry\*  
Pre-Calculus\*  
AP Statistics  
AP Calculus

#### Science

Biology  
Environmental Science  
Chemistry\*  
Applied Physics\*  
AP Biology

### Social Studies

U.S. History  
World History\*  
Government and Economics  
AP US Government  
AP Comparative Government  
Sociology  
Psychology  
Comparative Religions

#### Technology

Technology I  
Technology II

#### Theology

Sacred Scriptures  
Christology & Ecclesiology  
Morality & Sacraments  
Faith in Action

## Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry at DBCR aims to empower our students to be faithful followers of Jesus Christ in our world today, draw them into responsible participation in the life, mission and work of the Catholic faith community, and foster their total personal and spiritual growth. Through student led daily Convocation, activities, retreats, prayer moments and pastoral care, youth ministry seeks to build the environment of trust and loving kindness characteristic of a Salesian School and animate the Salesian spirit of our community that forms good Christians and upright citizens.

## Extracurriculars

- Baking Club
- Best Buddies
- Black Student Alliance (BSA)
- Caribbean African Student Association (CASA)
- Chess Club
- Cheer Club
- Do-it-Yourself (DIY) Club
- French Club
- Flag Football Club
- Futsal Club
- Girls Who Code
- House Council
- Interdenominational & Current News Club (ICN)
- Kids Enjoy Exercise Now (KEEN)
- Latin American Student Organization (LASO)
- Latin Dance Club
- Literacy & Visual Arts (LAVA) Club
- National Honor Society
- Photography Club
- SAT Club
- Step Team
- STEM Club
- Student Ambassadors
- Youth Ministry

## Athletic Teams

- Boys & Girls Basketball
- Boys & Girls Soccer
- Boys & Girls Volleyball
- Cross Country
- Softball
- Track & Field
- Wrestling



## Service Learning Hours

At Don Bosco Cristo Rey High School and Corporate Work Study Program, students are provided with ongoing opportunities to engage in meaningful service to and with others in need. These experiences touch the human heart and make them aware of God's gifts and blessings. All service hours must be completed at an approved non-profit organization (church, mosque, school, senior citizens home, rec center, etc.) in the D.C. Metro area that are in line with the values, morals and teachings of the Catholic Church. The volunteer service hours must be approved by the Service Coordinator.

All students are required to complete their numbers of hours of service listed below and complete a reflection project based on their service hours experience(s). The number of service hours for each class year are as follows:

- Freshmen Year: 0 Hours • Sophomore Year: 25 Hours • Junior Year: 25 Hours • Senior Year: 30 Hours

## Global Seal of Biliteracy

Eighteen students from the Class 2024 were awarded the prestigious Global Seal of Biliteracy upon graduation, an international language certificate that recognizes and celebrates their level of proficiency in two or more languages.

The Global Seal of Biliteracy validates language skills and expands future opportunities for its recipients. It offers three levels of certification: Functional Fluency, Working Fluency, and Professional Fluency, each serving a meaningful purpose in our increasingly diverse and interconnected world. Available in over 100 languages, the Global Seal of Biliteracy has been issued by employers, universities, and secondary schools in over 30 countries and five continents.



**GLOBAL SEAL  
OF BILITERACY**

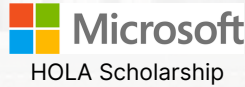


## College Success & Alumni Persistence (CSAP)

The College Success & Alumni Persistence Center was founded in 2023 and houses several college preparatory programs for current students and alumni to assist them to and through college.

### College Prep

Beginning junior year, students are enrolled in a 2-year college prep course that focuses on exposure and guidance to college readiness through precollege program participation, financial aid education, test preparation, and college and scholarship application guidance. Students have been awarded local and national honors such as the following:



### Summer Scholars

Established in 2023, the Summer Scholars program is an internal pre-college scholarship opportunity for rising seniors to participate in credit and non-credit summer courses at various colleges and universities. Since Summer of 2023, Summer Scholars have been awarded \$34,517 in scholarship to various pre-college programs across the U.S. including:

- Stanford University - Envision Intensive Law and Trial
- St. John's University - National Youth Leadership Forum: Medicine
- University of Rochester - Biomedical Engineering
- Catholic University - Engineering New Frontiers
- Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) Engineering and Construction Camp
- University of Scranton - Cyber AI Investigation Camp

### SAT Prep

Don Bosco Cristo Rey has focused on strengthening test-taking skills and strategies in preparation for the SAT exam. Students have the opportunity to participate in mock exams, review areas of needed improvement, and participate in one-on-one SAT assistance. As of the Spring 2024 SAT Practice Exam, 88% of students improved their SAT score from their 1st practice exam, resulting in a 30% increase of students scoring above 1,000 on the SAT exam.

### Alumni Persistence

Established in 2023, the Alumni Persistence Department specializes in counseling DBCR seniors and alumni that have enrolled, or that would like to enroll, into 2 or 4 year accredited, degree granting colleges or universities. College bound alumni also receive support in financial aid counseling, as well as major, minor/concentration, and course selection.

### Parent University

This parent education program was created to equip parents and guardians of DBCR alumni as they navigate from high school to college. Informative workshops and events that focus on financial aid, family and student expectations, understanding student schedules and responsibilities, and how to support full time commuter and on-campus students, are offered twice a year to families of high school seniors, as well as college freshmen and sophomores.

### Alumni Persistence Emergency Fund

The Alumni Persistence Emergency Fund (APEF) is a micro-grant fund established in 2024 to assist DBCR alumni in pursuit of their Bachelor's degree with academic-related financial barriers including tuition, room and board, books, and supplies. The first recipients were members of the Class of 2019 through 2024. To date, DBCR alumni have received \$10,000 in APEF micro-grants to continue their education at more than a dozen colleges and universities.



## Corporate Work Study Program (CWSP)

Every student gains four years of real-world job experience by working one day a week in a professional setting. This opportunity allows them to earn a portion of their educational costs, explore career options, and manage mature responsibilities—all while keeping tuition low.

### School Highlights



**\$11 Million**

In Scholarships & Grants earned by the Class of 2024



**\$3,513**

The average out-of-pocket cost for college students

**90%**



Of the 77 members of the Class of 2024, 26 acquired 90% or more in aid covered in grants and scholarships for college

**52%**



of our students scored a 3 or better on their AP exams in 2023 (compared to 11% in 2022)

**688**



College Admissions for the Class of 2024, [click here for the full list](#)

**First-Ever School Enrollments at**

**BOSTON COLLEGE**  **COLLEGE OF THE Holy Cross**



**94%**

College enrollment for the Class of 2024



**160+ Partners**

Employing our students via our Corporate Work Study Program (CWSP)

**CWSP Partners include:**  
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