

SCHOOL PROFILE



McNicholas
HIGH SCHOOL

6536 Beechmont Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45230
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2025-2026

OUR MISSION

Rooted in faith and in the wisdom of St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, the McNicholas High School mission is to "inspire young men and women through faith formation and academic excellence to become compassionate leaders and grow toward Full Stature in Christ."

ACCELERATED COURSES

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) Architecture (2D), Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Ceramics (3D), Chemistry, Computer Science, Drawing (2D), French, Government and Politics, Language, Latin, Literature, Photography/Digital Media 2D, Physics I, Physics II, Psychology, Research, Seminar, Spanish, US History, World History.

*Optional online courses available.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS (CCP) & DUAL ENROLLMENT Algebra III, Art History, Biblical Literature I, Computer Networking, Computer Programming I, Database Management, Engineering, Fundamentals of Web Development, Principles of Marketing, Statistics, Systems Administration.

HONORS Algebra I, Algebra II, Calculus, English I, English II, French I, French II, French III, French IV, Geometry, Latin I, Latin II, Latin III, Pre-Calculus, Spanish I, Spanish II, Spanish III, Spanish IV.

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The St. Joseph's Scholars Program provides an enriched learning environment to guide and inspire students to exemplify the highest ideals of academic excellence, faith, and compassionate leadership. Students will be afforded unique opportunities to discover and develop their intellectual skills, put their curiosity and creativity to work, prepare for acceptance into highly selective universities and programs, collaborate and compete with other extraordinarily intelligent and motivated students, and learn to analyze problems through the lens of our Catholic faith.

GRADING POLICY

Numeric grades are assigned on a 100-point scale. Grade point averages are converted to a 4.0 scale for college applications. McNicholas High School does not employ a ranking system.

LETTER GRADE	EARNED AVERAGE	GPA POINTS UNWEIGHTED	GPA POINTS WEIGHTED
A	93 - 100	4.0 - 4.33	4.24 - 4.59
B	84 - 92	3.0 - 3.9	3.18 - 4.13
C	75 - 83	2.0 - 2.9	2.12 - 3.07
D	70 - 74	1.0 - 1.9	1.06 - 2.01
F	69 - 0	0	0

Advanced Placement, College Credit Plus, dual enrollment, and honors classes are given a weight of 1.06 in the weighted GPA calculation. Accelerated classes including Chemistry, Physics, Calculus, Spanish III, Spanish IV, French III, French IV, Latin III and Latin IV are given a weight of 1.04 in the weighted GPA calculation.

SCHEDULE

The school year is composed of two semesters. The school day begins at 7:40am, ends at 2:40pm, and follows a blended schedule that includes an eight-period day on Mondays and a four-period day for block classes on Tuesdays through Fridays.

Robert Noll III | **PRESIDENT**

Paul Romolo | **PRINCIPAL**

Fr. Kevin Scalf, C.P.P.S. | **CHAPLAIN**

Katie Hambly | **DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM**

Bill Losekamp | **DIRECTOR OF STUDENT LIFE**

Drew Schmidt | **DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS**

SCHOOL CODE 361030

ACCREDITATION

McNicholas High School is accredited by the State of Ohio and the Ohio Catholic Schools Accrediting Association.

MCNICHOLAS COUNSELORS

Amanda Duffy, last names A-F

Erica Stablum, last names G-O

Margaret Vonderhaar, last names P-Z

STUDENT BODY

Enrollment for the 2025-26 school year is 710 students, 368 male and 342 female.

STUDENT TO TEACHER RATIO 12:1

MCNICHOLAS EDUCATORS

75% of our faculty members hold Master's degrees or above.

REQUIRED CREDITS FOR DIPLOMA

English	4.0
Theology	4.0
Mathematics	4.0
Social Studies	3.0
Lab Science	3.0
Fine Art	1.0
Health	0.5
Physical Education	0.5
Additional Electives	4.0

+ 40 hours of Christian Service

++ Financial Literacy (0.5) required as an elective.

98% of our graduates attend college

Our students have been accepted to...

Appalachian State University
Arizona State University
Art Academy of Cincinnati
Art Institute of Cincinnati
Ashland University
Auburn University
Baldwin Wallace University
Ball State University
Baylor University
Bellarmine University
Belmont University
Boston College
Boston Conservatory
Boston University
Bowling Green State University
Butler University
California Polytechnic University
Capital University
Case Western Reserve University
Cedarville University
Centre College
Chatham University
Christ College of Nursing & Health
Clemson University
Cleveland Institute of Art
Coastal Carolina University
Colorado State University
Columbia College
Columbia College (Chicago)
Columbus College of Art and Design
Cornell University
Denison University
DePaul University
DePauw University
Dickinson College
Drexel University
Duquesne University
Eastern Kentucky University
Elon University
Florida State University
Fordham University
Franciscan University Steubenville
Franklin College
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgetown College
George Washington University
Glenville State University
Good Samaritan College of Nursing
Hanover College
Heidelberg University
High Point University
Holy Cross College
Husson University
IUPUI
Indiana University
John Carroll University
Johns Hopkins University
Kent State University
Lehigh University
Lourdes University
Loyola University Chicago
Marietta College
Marquette University
Marshall University
Miami University
Michigan State University
Montserrat College of Art
Morehead State University
Mt. St. Joseph University
New York University
North Carolina State University
Northern Kentucky University
Notre Dame College of Ohio
Ohio Dominican University
Ohio Northern University
Ohio University
Ohio Wesleyan University
Otterbein University
Penn State University
Pratt Institute
Purdue University
Rhode Island School of Design
Rice University
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Saint Louis University
Saint Mary's College
Samford College
Savannah College of Art and Design
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Seton Hall University
Shawnee State University
Spring Hill College
The College of Wooster
The Ohio State University
The University of Alabama
Thomas More College
Transylvania University
U.S. Air Force Academy
U.S. Naval Academy
University of Akron
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
University of California, Davis
University of Charleston
University of Cincinnati
University of Colorado
University of Dayton
University of Denver
University of Detroit
University of Evansville
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Indianapolis
University of Iowa
University of Kentucky
University of Louisville
University of Massachusetts
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi
University of New Mexico
University of NC School of Arts
University of Notre Dame
University of Oklahoma
University of Pittsburgh
University of Rhode Island
University of South Carolina
University of Tennessee
University of Toledo
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin
University of the Cumberlands
Vanderbilt University
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Polytechnic State University
Virginia Wesleyan University
Walsh University
Washington State University
Washington and Lee University
Western Kentucky University
West Virginia University
Western Carolina University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Western Michigan University
Wheeling Jesuit University
Wilmington College
Wingate University
Wittenberg University
Wright State University
Xavier University
Youngstown State University

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AP PARTICIPATION

In 2024-25, 288 AP tests were taken by McNicholas students. 92% earned a score of 3 or better. The College Board recognized 32 students as AP Scholars with Distinction, 16 AP Scholars with Honor, 17 AP Scholars, and awarded 6 AP Seminar & Research Certificates and 2 Capstone Diplomas.

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS

In 2024, 8 students were recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Competition. In the past 5 years, 32 students have been named finalists, semifinalists, or commended students.

COLLEGE COUNSELING

Counselors support students through the college application process, including but not limited to standardized test preparation, Career Day with keynote speakers, resume development, career research, college selection support, counselor-led college visits, and college essay support through English classes and summer mini-course.

SAIL PROGRAM

Approximately 13% of students at McNicholas are enrolled in the Support and Accommodations for Identified Learners Program (SAIL). All students in the SAIL Program receive personalized support from intervention specialists, while being mainstreamed into college preparatory, honors, and AP courses.

SIX FLIGHTS, ONE MISSION

All students are part of a learning and leadership community known as a FLIGHT. Flights nurture a vibrant school spirit, inspire excellence, foster faith, and encourage leadership. Each flight is divided into communities of 15-20 students, a mentor teacher, and student captain. Known as CREWS, these small group communities meet daily for intentional formation and mentoring.

STUDENT PARTICIPATION

100% of our students complete Christian service
90% of our students participate in extracurriculars
76% of our students participate in athletics
42% of our athletes are multisport athletes



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