



Bellarmino
College Preparatory™

CLASS OF 2026 SENIOR PROFILE

bcp.org

Founded

1851

Type

Catholic, Jesuit, Private

Enrollment

1,665 male students grades 9–12

Location

Proximate to Downtown San Jose | City Center | Airport

Accreditation

Western Association of Schools & Colleges | Western Catholic Educational Association

Membership

Jesuit Schools Network | National Association for College Admission Counseling

Mission

Bellarmino College Preparatory is a community of men and women gathered together by God for the purpose of educating the student to seek justice and truth throughout his life. We are a Catholic school in the tradition of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Society of Jesus. As such, our entire school program is dedicated to forming "men for and with others" - persons whose lives will be dedicated to bringing all their God-given talents to fullness and to living according to the pattern of service inaugurated by Jesus Christ.

FOR ADMISSION OFFICERS: CLASS OF 2026

- Each of our Bellarmine students, following our theme of **A Faith That Does Justice**, are involved in service in our own region but throughout the world, including urban and rural plunges, and immersions at the Kino Border, in Alabama, El Salvador, Guatemala and Ecuador.
- Bellarmine students are not able to “double up” in core academic areas until the senior year as is possible at other schools. An essential part of our education in the **Jesuit tradition** lies in the required religious courses and in our requirements for **Christian Service** each year. We know that colleges and universities value the character our alumni bring to their campuses resulting from their Bellarmine education, discernment, reflection, and service.
- We offer a total of 22 Advanced Placement and 15 Honors courses. Due to faculty staffing and academic restraints, some seniors were not able to take as many advanced courses as they wished. Seniors are being encouraged to make note in their Common Application if they ran into scheduling conflicts.
- Our **Speech and Debate Program** is top ranked in the US for five years in a row at NSDA National, having also won the California State Championship. In 2025, we had over 200 participating members, and we qualified 26 students to NSDA Nationals and 50 students to California State Championship across 10 different events.
- **The Theatre Program** is vibrant, with our students behind the scenes in building and production, and/or cast in the following dramas, musicals and comedies over the past two years: Chicago, Antigone, The Wedding Singer, Little Shop of Horrors and Clue. This season, Bellarmine will present A Chorus Line, The Hunchback of Notre Dame and The Laramie Project.
- **1150 student athletes** participated in inter-scholastic sports last year and 305 were 2-sport athletes. For WCAL: champions in cross country, soccer, swim and dive, tennis, wrestling, baseball, and track and field. CCS champions in track and field. Nor-Cal CIF 2nd place in cross country. Over 60 BCP alums are playing sports collegiately.
- Our **FRC Robotics team** “The Cheesy Poofs” were division finalists at the World Championships this past year, and also took home the Autonomous Award at every competition they attended. Our FTC Robotics teams, The Cheesy Bytes, The Cheesy Dreamz, and The Cheesy Boltz competed strongly in their second year of competition, sending some of our students to compete in the State Championship event for the first time!

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA AND PROCESS

Eligibility

Applications are accepted from 8th grade boys enrolled at parochial, independent and public schools, as well as from qualified transfer applicants in 9th, 10th, 11th grade.

Criteria

Applicants are evaluated on academic performance in junior high school course work, co-curricular involvement, academic recommendations, results on the High School Placement Test and other standardized tests, and on written essays.

ETHNIC COMPOSITION OF THE CLASS OF 2026: 403 STUDENTS

African American	3.5%	Asian	19.9%	Filipino/Pacific Islander.....	5.4%	Indian	13.2%
American Indian.....	0.5%	Caucasian	40.4%	Hispanic	14.9%	Middle Eastern	2.2%

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

General

The academically talented Bellarmine student follows a curriculum comprised of college preparatory disciplines. Students are required to complete six academic classes in both the fall and spring term.

Curriculum

Required semesters in traditional liberal arts & sciences education: English: 8 | Mathematics: 6 | Modern and Classical Language: 4 | Fitness and Health: 2 | Science: 6 | Social Science: 7 | Religious Studies: 6 | Visual/Performing Arts: 3 | 6 semesters of electives.

RANK IN CLASS/GRADES

Grade Point Average Bellarmine does not compute or report class rank. The school transcript reflects three GPAs: a total GPA includes all grades awarded at Bellarmine; an academic GPA includes all academic course grades awarded; a weighted GPA includes one extra point for each honors or AP grade awarded beginning in the freshman year.

COLLEGE ADMISSION TEST RESULTS - CLASS OF 2025: 407 STUDENTS

Class of 2025 Reporting SAT Scores to BCP: 349

Middle 50%: 1210-1500
Mean: 1370

Class of 2025 Reporting ACT Scores to BCP: 42

Middle 50%: 27-35
Mean: 29

TESTING STATISTICS

PSAT/NMSQT

2023

16 Semifinalists
61 Letters of Commendation

2024

10 Semifinalists
52 Letters of Commendation

2025

28 Semifinalists
40 Letters of Commendation

Advanced Placement Program

	Total Exams	% of 3, 4, 5	Score of 5	Score of 4	Score of 3
2024	1450	90%	662 45%	445 32%	198 13%
2025	1643	93%	741 45%	521 32%	219 16%

2025 GRADUATES ARE ATTENDING...

Percentage attending college in the fall of 2025 99%
Percentage attending a two-year institution 4%

Percentage attending a four-year institution 96%
Percentage attending an out-of-state school 55%

University of California

Berkeley
Davis
Irvine
Los Angeles
Merced
Riverside
San Diego
Santa Barbara
Santa Cruz

California State University

California Polytechnic, SLO
California Polytechnic, Humboldt
California Polytechnic, Pomona
Chico
Long Beach
Maritime Academy
Monterey Bay
San Diego
San Jose
Sonoma

Jesuit Colleges & Universities

Boston College
College of the Holy Cross
Creighton University
Fordham University
Georgetown University
Gonzaga University
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University New Orleans
Marquette University
Santa Clara University
Seattle University
University of San Francisco
Xavier University

Colleges/Universities in California

California Baptist University
Chapman University
Claremont McKenna College
De Anza College
Foothill College
Mission College
Modesto Junior College
Pepperdine University
Pitzer College
Pomona College
Saint Mary's College of CA
San Jose City College
Santa Barbara City College
Stanford University
University of Redlands
University of San Diego
University of Southern CA
University of the Pacific
West Valley College
Westmont College

Out-of-State Colleges/Universities

Arizona State University
Bates College
Baylor University
Boise State University
Boston University
Brown University
Bucknell University
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve U
Catholic University of America
Colby College
Colgate University
College of William & Mary

Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Columbia University
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
Drexel University
Duke University
Eastern Kentucky University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical U
Emerson College
Emory University
Franklin W Olin College
George Washington University
Hofstra University
Indiana University, Bloomington
Iowa State University
Johns Hopkins University
Lehigh University
Miami University, Oxford
Middle Tennessee State U
Montana State University
Morehouse College
New York University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
Oregon State University
Purdue University
Rochester Institute of Tech
Rose-Hulman Institute of Tech
Rutgers University
Saint Johns University
Seton Hall University
Southern Methodist U
St. Olaf College
Stevens Institute of Tech
Suffolk University
Texas A & M University

Texas Christian University
Tufts University
Tulane University
University of Arizona
University of Chicago
University of Colorado, Boulder
University of Hawaii at Manoa
University of Illinois
University of Louisville
University of Maryland
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi
University of Nevada
University of North Dakota
University of Notre Dame
University of Oregon
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
University of Portland
University of Puget Sound
University of Tennessee
University of Texas, Austin
University of Utah
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin
Vanderbilt University
Virginia Polytechnic Inst.
Wesleyan University
Western Oregon University
Western Washington University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Military Academies

U.S. Naval Academy

International Universities

Temple University, Japan
University of St Andrews
University of Toronto



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