

2025 - 2026

INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE
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Accreditation: Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops Education Department

TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY STATE I.D. 178-100-002

Membership: National Catholic Education Association

The Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools



Class of 2025-100% of the graduates were accepted into colleges and universities and were awarded over \$4.4 million in scholarships. Class of 2025 (36 graduates) Grade Point Distribution – Top 25% **(GPA's are reported on a 4.0 scale)**

*Weighted GPA ranges: 4.069230 -- 4.2257142

*Unweighted GPA ranges: 3.84769 -- 3.938571

Class of 2026 (48 students) *Weighted GPA ranges: 4.062608 – 4.24086 *Unweighted GPA ranges: 3.808695 – 3.96434

Class of 2027 (42 students) *Weighted GPA ranges: 3.988 – 4.15571428 *Unweighted GPA ranges: 3.8 – 3.91

Grade Point Average: Grade Point Average is an average of qualified earned semester grades to which ten (10) extra points are awarded for each semester grade in a course indicated by AP or DC and seven (7) extra points for courses designated as Pre-AP. This sum is then divided by the total number of qualifying semester courses (grades levels 9-12). Grades earned in athletics, band, choir, physical education, grades earned prior to grade 9, Credit by Exam, Summer school or any grades earned from a non-accredited organization are not used in the calculation or determining a student's GPA. Grade Point averages for students from a school outside of the United States will be based on credits earned IWA High School. **As a matter of policy, Incarnate Word Academy High School does not rank its students past the top ten percent. 4.0 scale is used for calculating GPA's.**
Graduation Requirements: All Diploma Plans require a minimum of 30 high school credits. All students enrolled at Incarnate Word Academy High School follow the Recommended Diploma Plan but may opt to follow one of the two higher level diploma plans as they progress through their high school career. The Advanced Recommended Diploma or the Jeanne de Matel Laureate Diploma both require additional requirements.

- Advanced Recommended Diploma plan requires students to have a minimum combination of 15 Pre-AP, Dual Credit, and/or AP credits along with a cumulative GPA of 3.6 (90.0) or above.
- Jeanne de Matel Laureate Diploma Plan requires students to complete a minimum combination of 19 Pre-AP, Dual Credit, and/or AP credits along with a cumulative GPA of 3.6 (90.0) or above. The Jeanne de Matel Laureate Diploma recognizes students who are capable of college level course work. Students meeting the requirements of the Advanced Recommended Diploma shall also complete the following requirements:
 - ❖ At least 19 Advanced level courses including AP Calculus AB Major Service Project after their junior year
 - ❖ Exemplary Conduct/Citizenship throughout the entire four years of high school.
 - ❖ In addition, a student may qualify for one of the following two categories (students need not qualify in both categories):
 - ❖ Students recognized by the College Board National Recognition program such as a National Hispanic Scholar, Commended Scholar, Semifinalist or Finalist by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, and has TWO scores of Three (3) or above on a College Board Advanced Placement Examination
 - ❖ Attainment of at least Four (4) scores of Three (3) or above on College Board Advanced Placement Exams.

Requirements Courses for All Diploma Types

4.0 Credits-Religious Studies to include: RSTD I, II, III, IV

4.0 Credits-Language Arts to include: English I, II, III, IV

4.0 Credits-Mathematics to include: Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Pre-Calculus

4.0 Credits-Science to include: Biology, Chemistry I, Physics, 4th Science may be from a choice of Anatomy & Physiology, Forensic Science, Aquatic Science, AP Biology II, or AP Physics. *IPC taken prior to grade 9 will count towards an elective credit.

4.0 Credits-Social Studies to include: World Geography, World History, U.S. History, U.S. Government, Macro Economics

3.0 Credits-Languages other than English Choice of either Spanish I, II, III or French I, II, III (must take three years of the same language)

1.0 Credit-Physical Education and/or Athletics

1.0 Credit-Health/Personal Development

1.0 Credit-Fine Art

0.5 Credit-Speech

1.0 Credit-Health / Personal Development/Life Skills

3.5 Credits-Electives

Total credits required for all diploma plans: 30.0

FEATURES OF CURRICULUM

Pre-Advanced, Advanced Placement, and Dual Credit classes are designed for students that demonstrate aptitude in a particular subject area and provide opportunities for the exceptional and highly motivated student. Students will be challenged to develop and practice higher level and critical thinking skills and to pursue independent and/or guided research. Extra points are awarded for completion in these courses.

PRE ADVANCED PLACEMENT (15 Offered)

Advanced Journalism	English I
Chemistry I	English II
Biology I	French III
Anatomy & Physiology	Algebra II
Spanish II	Geometry
Spanish III	Pre-Calculus
Computer Science	World Geography
Studio Art III	

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (17 Offered)

French IV	U.S. History	Computer Science Principles
English III	World History	Spanish IV
English IV	U.S. Government	
Physics I	Economics	
Physics II	Psychology	
Chemistry II	Statistics	
Biology II	Calculus AB	
	Calculus BC	

About us: Incarnate Word Academy High School is a private college preparatory school which was founded in 1871 by the Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament.

Community: Urban, residential area in Corpus Christi, a coastal city in the South Texas region of the United State of Texas. The eighth most populous city in Texas. According to the U.S. Census data from 2022, the population was estimated to be 316,565. Corpus Christi is the county seat of Nueces County and the home of the 3rd largest port in the State.

Tuition assistance: 35% of the campus-wide student body received financial aid during the 2024-2025 academic year.

National recognitions (2024):

National Merit Scholarship Program
 9-National Hispanic Scholarship Program Scholars
 4-First Generation Scholars
 1-Rural scholar
 1-Indigenous scholar
 1-African American scholar

Advanced Placement (May 2025 Administration)

18-AP Scholars
 5-AP Scholars with Honor
 12-AP Scholars with Distinction
35-Total AP Scholars
 228-AP Exams taken
 90-AP Students
 65-AP Students with scores 3+

Score outcomes

PSAT / NMSQT (Fall 2024) - 1039

SAT (2024-2025) 1155-Mean Score

591-ERW 564-MATH

ACT (2023-2024) 25.9-Composite

26.2-English 8.4-Writing
 29.5-Reading 27.4-ELA 24.1-Science

Grade Scale

A (93-100) B (85-92)
 C (77-84) D (70-76)
 F (Any grade below 70)

DUAL CREDIT (8 Offered)
 College Algebra I (1314)
 Plane Trigonometry (1316)
 Composition I (1301) & II (1302)
 U.S. History I (1301) & American History (1302)
 U.S. Government/Federal Government (2305)
 Macro Economics (2301)

All Pre-Advanced Placement, Advanced Placement and Dual Credit courses are weighted.

Community Service

Every high school student is required to perform 24 clock hours of community service per school year.

Honor Societies

National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta Honor Society, French Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society.

Comprehensive High School Grades 9- 12

Average Class Period length: 50 minutes
Current School Enrollment: 172 students
Length of school year: 180 instructional days
Full time faculty: 25
Percent of First-Generation College: 5%
Hispanic: 90
Non-Hispanic: 82
Catholic: 125
Non-Catholic: 47
U.S. Citizens: 166
Non-U.S. Citizens: 6

Clubs and Organizations

Angel Impact – Community Involvement
Future Business Leaders of America Club
French Club
Book Club
Anti-Human Trafficking Club
Ping Pong Club
French Honor Society
Music Club
Art & Photography Club
Environmental Club
IWA Medical Society
Science Club
Underwater Robotics
Triumph Over Kinds Cancer Club
Missions Team
Student Council

Athletics

Baseball
Soccer
Cross Country
Golf
Track and Field
Swimming
Tennis
Football
Cheerleading
Basketball
Volleyball



President, CEO and Principal
Assistant Principal
Academic & Guidance Counselor
Athletic Director
Assistant Athletic Director
Director of Campus Ministry
Athletic Department Administrative Assistant
High School Attendance Officer
Registrar

Administration

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Our Vision

To Become an Image of Christ Within Our Community. To extend the legacy of the Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament, as leaders, partners, and advocates for our students and the adults who serve them; and to provide a community where all may grow in Christian wholeness and bear witness to the presence and love of Christ among us.

Our Mission

To Reflect Jesus the Teacher. We form students in a loving and challenging Catholic environment where the individual gifts of every student are recognized, celebrated, and developed as a reflection of Christ.

Our Core Values

Faith: Belief in Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Word, and His message of love for the world
Dignity: Respect for the worth of every person and for life in all its forms, with special concern for the poor
Compassion: Love, concern, and understanding in service of life-long learning
Integrity: Honesty, justice, and consistency in all relationships
Dedication: The pursuit of high standards of performance among teachers, students, and the school community
Gratitude: Acceptance, nurturing, and celebration of individual gifts and talents
Service: Recognition of God's blessings and commitment to sharing them with others in school, family, Church, and community.

In recent years, Incarnate Word Academy graduates have been accepted into the colleges and universities listed below.

Abilene Christian University	North Carolina State University	United States Air Force Academy
Amherst College	Northwestern University	United States Merchant Marine Academy
Angelo State University	Oklahoma Baptist University	United States Military Academy - Army
Arizona State University	Oregon State University	United States Naval Academy
Auburn University	Our Lady of the Lake University	University of Arkansas
Austin College	Pennsylvania State University	University of California, All Campuses
Baylor College of Medicine	Princeton University	University of Chicago
Baylor University	Rice University	University of Colorado
Blinn College - All Campuses	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Connecticut
Boston College	Rutgers University-New Brunswick	University of Dallas
Boston University	Saint Louis University	University of Denver
Brown University	Salve Regina University	University of Florida
Carnegie Mellon University	Sam Houston State University	University of Georgia
Clemson University	Santa Clara University	University of Hartford
College of Charleston	Schreiner University	University of Hawaii
College of the Holy Cross	Seattle University	University of Houston
Colorado Mesa University	Sewanee: The University of the South	University of Illinois
Colorado School of Mines	Southern Methodist University	University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
Colorado State University	Southwestern University	University of Mississippi
Columbia University	St. Edward's University	University of Missouri Columbia
Concordia University	St. Mary's University of San Antonio	University of New Mexico
Cornell University	Stanford University	University of North Texas
Creighton University	Stephen F. Austin State University	University of Notre Dame
Cristendom College	Swarthmore College	University of Oregon
Dartmouth College	Syracuse University	University of Pennsylvania
Del Mar College	Temple University	University of Pittsburgh
Drake University	Texas A&M University	University of Rhode Island
Drexel University	Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi	University of Richmond
Duke University	Texas A&M University, Galveston	University of San Diego
Elon University	Texas A&M University, Kingsville	University of San Francisco
Emerson College	Texas A&M University, San Antonio	University of South Carolina - Columbia
Florida Institute of Technology	Texas Christian University	University of Southern California
Fordham University	Texas State University	University of St. Thomas
Georgetown University	Texas Tech University	University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Grand Canyon University	Texas Woman's University	University of the Incarnate Word
Harvard College	The Catholic University of America	University of Virginia
Hawaii Pacific University	The George Washington University	Vanderbilt University
Houston Baptist University	The University of Alabama	Vassar College
Indiana State University	The University of Arizona	Virginia Military Institute
Johns Hopkins University	The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Virginia Tech
Louisiana State University	The University of Texas, All Campuses	Wake Forest University
Loyola Marymount University	Thomas Aquinas College	Washington University in St. Louis
Loyola University Chicago	Trinity University	Yale University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Tufts University	
New York University	Tulane University	

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