



2025 High School Profile

MONTE VISTA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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Monte Vista Christian School is an independent, coeducational day and boarding school for students in grades fifth through twelve. Graduation requirements meet California State Department of Education standards as MVC is fully accredited with both the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI). Monte Vista Christian School is an International Baccalaureate World School offering a college preparatory curriculum designed to meet the admissions requirements of all California State Universities, Universities of California, in addition to other public and private universities in the US and abroad.

MISSION STATEMENT

We empower learners to achieve their highest potential through Christ-centered educational excellence by courageously engaging in God's redemptive work throughout our world.

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 Head of School

Susan Swing, MA
 Assistant Head of School

Mike Lanham
 High School Principal

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 Director of Students Services
 IB Diploma & Boarding Students

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 11th & 12th Grade Guidance Counselor

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 9th & 10th Grade Guidance Counselor

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 Registrar

AUTHORIZATION

International Baccalaureate World School

ACCREDITATION

Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)

Association of Christian School International (ACSI)

MEMBERSHIPS

National Association of College Admissions Counseling (NACAC)

Western Association of College Admissions Counseling (WACAC)

Council of Educational Standards and Accountability (CESA)

MVC AT A GLANCE

- Independent, Interdenominational Christian School
- 824 Students in 4-12 Grade
- 30 International Students
- 543 High School Students
- 138 Seniors
- 71 Faculty Members | 35 % with Advanced Degrees
- International Baccalaureate & College Prep Curriculum
- 23 HL Courses
- 9 SL Courses
- 9 MYP Honors Courses
- Student Internship Opportunities
- Weekly Chapel Program
- Math and Writing Labs
- ACE Support Course
- 15 Sports | 21 Teams
- Two Theater Productions per year
- Sophomore Personal Project

MVC UNWEIGHTED GRADING SCALE

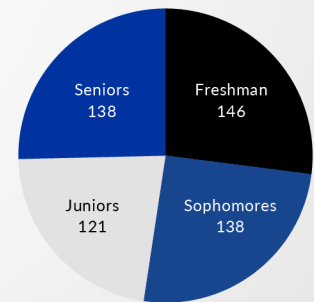
GRADE	MYP	DP	GPA
A	7-8	6-7	4.0
B	5-6	4.5-5	3.0
C	3-4	3-4	2.0
D	1-2	1-2	1.0
F	0 - No Evidence	0 - No Evidence	0.0

TRANSCRIPT MASTERY

Our grade system is based on a mastery of the subject so scores reflect the level of understanding the student ended the year with based on criterion and demonstration of learning.

ENROLLMENT

2025-2026 Monte Vista Christian High School Enrollment Distribution.



High School Day Students: 509
 International Boarding Students: 30
 Domestic Boarding Students: 4
 Total Students: 543

STUDENT SCHEDULE

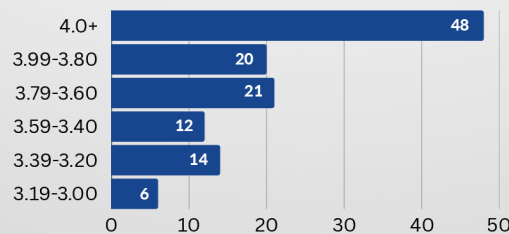
Students are required to take eight courses in grades 9 - 10, seven courses in 11th grade, and a minimum of six courses in grade 12. The schedule provides a rotating block schedule of four, 80-minute periods a day.

CLASS OF 2024

29 IB Diploma Candidates
 18 IB Diploma Recipients

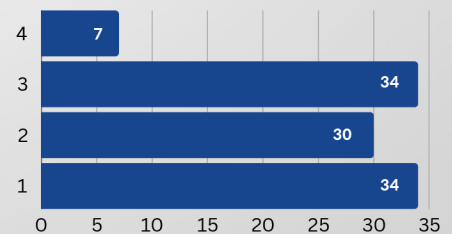
CLASS OF 2026 GPA DISTRIBUTION

End of 11th grade



CLASS OF 2026 HL COURSES IN PROGRESS

Completed or in Progress HL Courses



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Monte Vista offers two diplomas: an MVCS High School Diploma and an IB Diploma. "F" grades in courses required for graduation must be repeated. F and D grades are recoverable by retaking the course or completing a recovery course.

Subject	MVC Diploma Credits	IB Diploma Credits
English	40	40
Mathematics	30	40
Natural Science	30	40
Social Sciences	30	40
World Language	20	20
Bible	40	40
Health & Exercise Science	20	20
Visual & Performing Arts	10	20
Electives	60	40
TOTAL CREDITS	280 Minimum	300 Minimum

***MVC Diploma with Honors:** Complete an additional 40 credits above the MVC Diploma requirements in one or more of the following areas: English, Mathematics, Individuals & Societies, Science, DP Visual and Performing Arts, and World Language. Must be a course candidate in a minimum of 1 Higher Level (HL) course and earn a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher.

Extended Essay (EE): All IB diploma candidates will complete an EE for graduation.

‡**Physical Education:** This requirement can be met through participation in two seasons of an MVC sanctioned sport.

Creativity, Activity and Service (CAS): All IB diploma candidates will complete an CAS for graduation.

†**MVC IB Diploma Additional Requirements:** Must take at least three (3) IB Standard Level courses and three (3) IB Higher Level courses and complete the IB Diploma Program's CORE (CAS, EE, TOK).

***Variable:** If a student elects to replace the VPA course with another subject, she/he will only need 10 credits in VPA.

Disclaimer: Receiving the MVC IB Diploma indicates a student has met all of the requirements of the IB issued diploma. Although a student has met these requirements, receiving the IB diploma from IB is contingent on meeting the IB Diploma test score requirements.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

The Diploma Program (DP) provides students in grades 11-12 a set of curriculum in which they apply the inquiry skills developed in the MYP to more advanced courses. While everyone in grades 11-12 will take DP courses, they will have the option to pursue Higher Level (HL) or Standard Level (SL) versions, in addition to Theory of Knowledge (TOK), Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS), and Extended Essay (EE). Students pursuing an IB diploma (as opposed to a standard MVC diploma) will take 3 HL & 3 SL courses

The Middle Years Program (MYP) provides students in grades 6-10 an inquiry-based learning framework. Eight core subjects are covered throughout the five years of the MYP, with the Personal Project as a capstone in 10th grade.

PERSONAL PROJECT

The personal project is completed at the end of 10th grade. It is a culminating experience in which students apply their approaches to learning skills to complete an extended, self-directed piece of work. This required component provides opportunities for creative and truly personal demonstrations of learning. Completion of the project is reflected on the transcript with credit or no credit depending on completion.

IB EXAMS

All students are allowed to take IB external Assessments for all HL courses and IB Diploma candidates will take External Assessments for all SL and HL courses.

HL & HONORS CLASSES

MVC encourages balance in classes throughout high school. Students are asked to take no more than 3 HL courses (they may appeal to take up to 4 but it is highly discouraged). Students taking HL courses are required to take the External Assessment.

COURSE OFFERINGS *All HL & SL courses consist of two year courses.

SCIENCES

MYP Biology or H
MYP Physics
MYP Chemistry or H
MYP Health & Wellness
DP Biology HL
DP Physics SL
DP Sports, Exercise & Health Sciences SL or HL
DP Environmental Systems & Societies SL

LANGUAGE ACQUISITION

MYP Spanish I
MYP Spanish II
MYP Spanish III
MYP Spanish IV
DP Spanish SL
DP Spanish ab initio

MATHEMATICS

MYP Algebra
MYP Geometry or H
MYP Algebra II or H
MYP Pre-Calculus or H
DP Calculus
DP Applications & Interpretations SL or HL
DP Analysis and Approaches HL

SOCIAL SCIENCE

MYP World History or H
MYP US History or H
DP History HL
DP Environmental Systems & Societies SL
DP Psychology HL

ENGLISH

MYP English I or H
MYP English II or H
DP Language & Literature SL or HL
DP Literature HL
Transitional English (ESL)

BIBLE

MYP Biblical Narrative I
MYP Biblical Narrative II
MYP Biblical Narrative II: Discipleship
DP Theory of Knowledge
DP Senior Bible: Identity, God and Purpose
Bible Leadership

ELECTIVES

Mechatronic Engineering
3D Printing & Design
Engineering
Robotics
Gaming/Coding
Podcasting
Yearbook
ACE Math Lab I or II
Writing Lab I or II
Study Hall
Entrepreneurship
Psychology
Physical Health Education
Sports Performance
Dance Fundamentals or Advanced
Health & Wellness
Journalism

FINE ARTS

MYP Mustang Band
MYP Guitar I or Advanced
MYP Chorale
MYP Chamber Singers
MYP Intro to Theatre
MYP Art I, II & III
MYP Photography or Advanced
MYP Advanced Photo Gallery
MYP Ceramics I & II
MYP Dance Fundamentals
MYP Graphic Design or Advanced
MYP 3D Printing & Design
Engineering
MYP Digital Painting
MYP Digital Video Production or Advanced
DP Theatre SL or HL
DP Visual Arts SL or HL
DP Film HL

SCOIR

MVC uses Scoir to electronically send records to Universities.

CLASS RANK

MVC does not rank students.