



Oakland Catholic
High School

2026-2027 SCHOOL PROFILE

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CLASS OF 2026 HIGHLIGHTS

Total Seniors: 104

Composite Average SAT: 1125

Composite Average ACT: 24

Highest GPA: 5.27

2026 AP STATISTICS

Students who took AP course: 162

AP tests taken: 392*

AP Scholars: 38

AP Scholars with Honors: 14

AP Scholars with Distinction: 12

*All students enrolled in an AP course
are required to take the AP exam

MISSION STATEMENT

Oakland Catholic is a Christ-centered school for young women of diverse backgrounds, forming them under the patronage of St. Joan of Arc into women of Spirituality, Scholarship, and Service.

FORMATION

Oakland Catholic is committed to forming the whole person through faith, academic excellence, and servant leadership. Rooted in a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and the Catholic tradition, students grow in virtue, deepen their intellectual abilities through critical thinking and reflection, and pursue knowledge that prepares them for higher education and meaningful contributions to society. Inspired by Christ's call to serve others, students also develop responsible leadership through service, community involvement, and opportunities to make a positive impact locally and beyond.

OAKLAND CATHOLIC STUDENT COUNCIL & HOUSE SYSTEM

Inspired by exemplary Catholic Saints, Oakland Catholic's House System strengthens and supports the OC Student Council in its effort to build community, uphold Catholic traditions, and preserve the long-standing OC legacy. Through service, faith formation, academic enrichment, and spirited competition, house leadership seeks to bring the spirit and love of Jesus Christ into the school community, foster meaningful connections across grade levels, live out the mission of Oakland Catholic, and deepen each student's sense of belonging in the OC family.

COLLEGE IN HIGH SCHOOL (CHS) COURSES

Argumentation
Chemistry
French

Italian
Physics

Spanish 103
Spanish 104

AP COURSES

*Effective beginning in the 2024-2025 school year, students in 10th grade are eligible to take one AP course (previously AP courses were offered to 11th and 12th grade students)

AP Art & Design
AP Biology
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Chemistry
AP Computer Science A
AP English Language & Composition

AP English Literature & Composition
AP Environmental Science
AP French Language & Culture
AP Human Geography
AP Italian Language & Culture
AP Latin
AP Physics

AP Psychology
AP Spanish Language & Culture
AP Statistics
AP United States Government & Politics
AP United States History
AP World History: Modern

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

ENGLISH: 4 credits

RELIGION: 4 credits

SOCIAL STUDIES: 4 credits

MATHEMATICS: 4 credits

SCIENCE: 3 credits

ELECTIVES: 4 credits

WORLD LANGUAGE: 2 credits

HEALTH/PHYS ED: 1 credit

FINE ARTS: 1 credit

TOTAL CREDITS: 27 credits*

*Exceeds Pennsylvania State Requirements

GPA COURSE RANK POLICY

As a matter of school policy, students are not ranked.

Each transcript reflects a cumulative grade point average weighted for AP, CHS, and honors courses. Cumulative GPAs are calculated by averaging all courses at Oakland Catholic.

P=Pass F=Fail I=Incomplete W=Withdraw

		CHS/AP	Honors High School	College Preparatory
A	100-95	6.000	5.000	4.000
A-	94-93	5.625	4.687	3.750
B+	92-90	4.875	4.063	3.250
B	89-87	4.500	3.750	3.000
B-	86-85	4.125	3.437	2.750
C+	84-82	3.375	2.813	2.250
C	81-77	3.000	2.500	2.000
C-	76-75	2.625	2.187	1.750
D+	74-73	1.875	1.563	1.250
D	72-71	1.500	1.250	1.000
D-	70	1.125	0.937	0.750
F	69-0	0.000	0.000	0.000

100%

COLLEGE
ACCEPTANCE

35

HONORS COURSES
OFFERED

37

SCHOOL DISTRICTS
REPRESENTED

\$24+
MILLION

IN MERIT-BASED
COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

30+

CLUBS AND
ACTIVITIES



SPIRITUALITY - CAMPUS MINISTRY

- Fiat Mentorship Program
- Bible Study
- Campus Ministry
- Elementary School Tutoring Program
- Kairos Retreat (grades 11 and 12)
- Class Retreats
- Access to the Sacraments
- All-School and Grade-Level Masses
- Prayer
- Eucharistic Adoration
- Reconciliation

SERVICE - CAMPUS MINISTRY

- Elementary School Tutoring Program
- Assist the Elderly
- Serve the Homeless at The Red Door
- Support Mothers and Families in Need
- Mission Trips - 2 Local, 2 Domestic, 2 International

WPIAL/PIAA SPORTS

- Basketball
- Bowling
- Competitive Cheer
- Cross Country
- Field Hockey
- Flag Football
- Golf
- Indoor Track
- Lacrosse
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Track & Field
- Volleyball

CLUB SPORTS

- Crew
- Fencing

CO-CURRICULARS

- Chamber Singers
- E3 - Engage, Encourage, and Embolden*
- English Festival
- Forte (Literary Magazine)
- Free Verse
- Future Business Leaders of America
- Global Competence Initiative*
- Joan of Arc Society of Scholars*
- Junior Achievement
- Marching Band & Color Guard
- Masque Drama Society
- Media Arts
- Model United Nations
- National Honor Society*
- Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS)
- Robotics
- Speech & Debate
- Student Council
- Society of Women Engineers

***DISTINGUISHED PROGRAMS**

Students are recognized at graduation upon completion of these programs

JOAN OF ARC SOCIETY OF SCHOLARS

Founded in 2002, the Joan of Arc (JOA) Society of Scholars is an invitation-only program that recognizes the academic accomplishments of students in the top tier of their class. Designed to formally acknowledge those students who perform exceptionally well academically over all four years of attendance at Oakland Catholic High School, JOA Society of Scholars maintains clearly articulated criteria including a specific GPA requirement at the end of each year of study. Members of JOA Society of Scholars are also required to participate in a certain number of "JOA events" each semester in order to maintain their status in the organization. In general, JOA Scholars represent the top 10% of their class upon graduation.

GLOBAL COMPETENCE INITIATIVE (GCI)

The Global Competence Initiative (GCI) at Oakland Catholic encourages students to develop a global perspective grounded in Catholic Social Teaching. Through this four-year program, students build cultural awareness, leadership skills, and a commitment to human dignity while completing a variety of enriching experiences that deepen their understanding of our interconnected world.

Students participate in Program Encounters — single-day or evening experiences such as lectures, seminars, films, and cultural events — completing 12 encounters throughout the program and submitting reflections after each one. In addition, students complete three approved Engagements, which are more immersive international experiences such as international travel, the World Affairs Council Summer Institute, or the GCI Book Group. Upon fulfilling all program requirements, students earn a Certificate in Global Competence.

E3 – ENGAGE, ENCOURAGE, EMBOLDEN: THE OC LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

E3 provides a clear path for eligible sophomores and juniors to engage in activities, workshops, and concrete projects that intentionally build confidence and leadership skills across a diverse segment of the Oakland Catholic student population. Inspired by the example of St. Joan of Arc, the program encourages students to view leadership as a calling from Christ to serve and to have the courage to embrace leadership roles.

Students in the program are expected to demonstrate how, as leaders, they can serve and embolden others for the greater good of the school community. Through opportunities for prayer, service, career development, team projects, and personal growth, participants are challenged to live out the Gospel values of courage, humility, and stewardship while becoming women who lead with purpose and faith. Those who successfully fulfill all requirements earn an E3 - the OC Leadership Initiative Certificate and will be recognized formally at Honors Convocation.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Founded in 1921, our students in NHS are committed to cultivating an environment in which themselves and others succeed. In order to be considered for membership in the National Honor Society, juniors and seniors shall have a cumulative grade point weighted average of 3.75 or above. In addition, a student shall have demonstrated qualities of good character, leadership, and service as evidenced through co-curricular activities, and/or work experience.

*Beginning with the Class of 2028, an unweighted GPA of 3.75 or above is required.

