



NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL

COLLEGE & SCHOOL COUNSELING

FAITH | EXCELLENCE | SERVICE | OPPORTUNITY

Guiding every student.
Growing every gift.
Preparing every future.

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NOTRE DAME AT A GLANCE



807

Total Enrollment
Grades 9 – 12



193

Senior Class
Class of 2027



15:1

Student-Teacher
Ratio



1957

Founded

A TRADITION OF PURPOSE

Notre Dame High School, a ministry of the Catholic Diocese of Trenton, is a dynamic, diverse Catholic community dedicated to educating young women and men to realize their full potential through a faith-filled environment, a challenging college-preparatory program, extensive co-curricular activities, and a commitment to citizenship and service in the community.

Mindful of the Mercy Tradition.

ACADEMIC CONTEXT & RIGOR

CHALLENGE TODAY. PREPARE FOR TOMORROW.



ACADEMIC PROGRAM



Schedule

Modified block schedule
(80-minute periods)



Graduation Requirement

130 credits



Curriculum

College Preparatory • Honors
Advanced Placement • Dual Enrollment



Additional Requirements

Annual Service Learning
Annual Retreat Experience



ACADEMIC RIGOR & COURSE PLACEMENT

Notre Dame encourages students to pursue the most appropriately challenging academic program based upon demonstrated readiness. Placement in Honors and Advanced Placement courses is determined through established prerequisites and departmental criteria. Students work with their College & School Counselor annually to develop an appropriately rigorous four-year academic plan.

THE PLACEMENT PROCESS



Access to advanced coursework may be influenced by course sequencing, prerequisites, scheduling conflicts and course availability.



UNDERSTANDING THE NOTRE DAME TRANSCRIPT

100

100-Point Scale

Course grades are reported numerically (unweighted).

GPA

Weighted Cumulative GPA

Includes quality points for Honors and AP courses.

+3

Honors Courses

Receive +3 quality points.

+5

Advanced Placement Courses

Receive +5 quality points.

Class Rank

Not reported.

Individual course grades shown on the transcript are unweighted; weighting is reflected in the cumulative GPA.



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Subject Area	Required Credits
Religion	20
English	20
Mathematics	15 (recommend 20)
World Language	10 (recommend 15)
Physical Education/Health	15
Social Studies	15
World History (5) U.S. History I (5) U.S. History II (5)	
Laboratory Science	10 (recommend 15)
Integrated Science – A STEM Approach, Chemistry	
Performing, Visual, and/or Digital Arts	2.5
Service Learning	Required
Total Credits	130



ADVANCED ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

20

AP
Courses

35

Honors
Courses

19

Dual Enrollment
Courses

4

Academic
Pathways



ACADEMIC PATHWAYS

Students may pursue concentrated interdisciplinary study in one of the following pathways:

- Biomedical Science
- International Business
- Multimedia Communications
- Political Science



SENIOR INTERNSHIP

Eligible seniors may complete a 60-hour professional internship for 2.5 credits. Students work with a mentor in a field of interest, either at an on-site location or during the summer.



DUAL ENROLLMENT PARTNERS

College-level courses and credits available through partnerships with:

University of Delaware ~ The College of New Jersey ~ Stockton University



FOR COLLEGE ADMISSION REVIEW

Notre Dame students are encouraged to pursue an appropriately challenging academic program within established prerequisites, course sequencing, and placement criteria. College & School Counselors work with students throughout all four years to develop an academic program aligned with graduation requirements, demonstrated readiness, interests, and postsecondary goals. Course availability and scheduling may affect individual access to specific electives or advanced courses.

*More Than
College.
A Life of Purpose.*





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FAITH & SERVICE

A CORE PART OF WHO WE ARE

Grounded in the Catholic tradition and inspired by the charism of the Sisters of Mercy, Notre Dame educates young women and men to pursue knowledge, live with integrity, serve others, and make a positive impact in the world.



Annual
Service Learning
Requirement



5
Service Experiences
Completed Annually



Retreat
Experiences
for All Students

"Faith in Action. A Lifetime of Purpose."



STUDENT EXPERIENCE

A VIBRANT, SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY

Notre Dame offers a dynamic high school experience where every student is known, challenged, and empowered. Through a wide range of opportunities to academics, the arts, athletics, clubs, and leadership, students develop their interests, build meaningful relationships, and grow into confident, compassionate leaders.



28
Varsity Athletic
Teams



70%+
Students in
Arts Programs



60+
Clubs & Activities



Leadership
Opportunities
at Every Level

Belong. Engage. Lead. Make a Difference.



A SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT

STUDENT WELL-BEING & BELONGING

Notre Dame is committed to the whole person—spiritually, academically, socially, and emotionally. Our students are supported by a dedicated faculty and staff, comprehensive counseling services, and a culture that values respect, inclusion, and mental wellness.



College & School
Counseling
for All Students



Social-Emotional
Support
& Resources



A Culture of
Respect, Inclusion
& Belonging

Known. Supported. Empowered."

THE FOUR-YEAR ROADMAP

Your Journey. Your Purpose. Your Future.

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DISCOVER

Who Am I?

- Successful transition to high school
- Explore interests and strengths
- Build healthy habits and relationships
- Begin career and college exploration

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DEVELOP

Who Am I Becoming?

- Deepen academic and personal growth
- Explore careers and postsecondary options
- Get involved and take on leadership roles
- Build key skills for future success

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DISCERN

Where Am I Called?

- Engage in focused college and career exploration
- Prepare for standardized testing
- Research colleges and programs
- Visit campuses and explore opportunities
- Refine goals and build a balanced list

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LAUNCH

Ready for Life

- Complete applications
- Make confident decisions
- Transition successfully to college, career, or other postsecondary paths
- Leave a positive legacy
- Continue to grow as a leader in service to others

STUDENT LIFE AT NOTRE DAME

Opportunities to Explore. Experiences to Grow. A Community for Life.



ATHLETICS

28 varsity programs that foster teamwork, discipline, and school pride.



ARTS

A vibrant arts program in visual and performing arts offering opportunities for all students.



CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

60+ student-led clubs that inspire, connect, and create community.



SERVICE

A strong commitment to service locally, nationally, and globally.



CAMPUS MINISTRY

Opportunities for prayer, retreats, and spiritual growth throughout all four years.

"A Place to Belong. A Purpose Beyond Self."



PREPARING FOR WHAT'S NEXT

Through a rigorous academic program, intentional counseling, and a supportive community, Notre Dame students graduate ready to make a meaningful impact in college and beyond.



**MORE THAN
COLLEGE.
A LIFE OF PURPOSE.**



Notre Dame gave me more than an education. It gave me the confidence to pursue my dreams and the values to make a difference."

— Class of 2025 Graduate





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SELECTED COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

(Recent Years)

Notre Dame graduates have been admitted to a wide range of selective colleges and universities across the United States and around the world. The list below represents a sample of institutions from recent years and is not a comprehensive list.

NORTHEAST	MID-ATLANTIC	SOUTH & MIDWEST	INTERNATIONAL	ADMINISTRATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> American University Boston College Boston University Carnegie Mellon University College of the Holy Cross College of William & Mary Colgate University Cornell University Drexel University Fairfield University Georgetown University Lehigh University Loyola University Chicago Loyola University Maryland Manhattan University Marist University Massachusetts College of Art and Design Merrimack College Miami University (OH) Michigan State University Middlebury College Montclair State University Northeastern University Northwestern University Notre Dame University Pace University (NYC) Penn State University (University Park) Penn State University (Scranton) Princeton University Quinnipiac University Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Rider University Rutgers University (Camden) Rutgers University (New Brunswick) Sacred Heart University St. Bonaventure University St. Francis University St. Joseph's University Syracuse University Temple University Villanova University 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christopher Newport University Delaware State University George Mason University George Washington University High Point University Hofstra University Howard University Indiana University (Bloomington) James Madison University Johns Hopkins University Maryland Institute College of Art Mercer University Mount St. Mary's University New York University Seton Hall University Stevens Institute of Technology TCNJ (The College of New Jersey) The Ohio State University United States Naval Academy University at Buffalo (SUNY) University of California (System) University of Colorado Boulder University of Delaware University of Maryland University of Miami University of Michigan University of North Carolina University of Notre Dame University of Richmond University of Rochester University of South Carolina University of Tennessee University of Texas University of Vermont University of Virginia University of Wisconsin Wake Forest University 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auburn University College of Charleston College of Southern Nevada Clemson University Elon University Emory University Florida Atlantic University Florida Gulf Coast University Florida International University Florida Southern College Florida State University Georgia Institute of Technology Kennesaw State University Kenyon College Louisiana State University Miami University (FL) Nova Southeastern University Purdue University Savannah College of Art and Design Southern Methodist University Stetson University Texas Christian University Tulane University U.S. Air Force Academy U.S. Military Academy (West Point) U.S. Naval Academy University of Alabama University of Arkansas University of Cincinnati University of Florida University of Georgia University of Illinois University of Iowa University of Kentucky University of Louisville University of Missouri University of Nebraska University of Oklahoma University of Southern California Vanderbilt University Virginia Tech Washington University in St. Louis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dalhousie University McGill University Queen's University Royal Military College of Canada Toronto Metropolitan University University of British Columbia University of Toronto University of Waterloo Western University York University University College Dublin (Ireland) University of Galway (Ireland) Trinity College Dublin (Ireland) University of Edinburgh (United Kingdom) King's College London (United Kingdom) University of Manchester (United Kingdom) University of Nottingham (United Kingdom) University of Oxford (United Kingdom) University of St. Andrews (United Kingdom) University of Amsterdam (Netherlands) Bocconi University (Italy) Sapienza University of Rome (Italy) Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (Italy) IE University (Spain) ESADE (Spain) Sciences Po (France) 	<p>Head of School Kenneth Jennings</p> <p>AP for Curriculum & Instruction Mona McCauley</p> <p>AP for Student Life Eleanor MacIsaac</p> <p>Director of College & School Counseling Sean Matteo</p>

CEEB: 311492

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