

Academic Profile 2023-2024



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About Us

Christ Episcopal School is an independent, church-affiliated, coeducational day school offering a challenging college preparatory curriculum. Christ Episcopal School is accredited by the Independent Schools Association of the Southwest (ISAS) and by the Southwest Association of Episcopal Schools (SAES). It is also approved by the state of Louisiana.

Located north of Lake Ponchartrain in Covington, a suburban community of New Orleans, the school occupies two campuses. Grades 1–12 share an evolving campus of 45 acres that is adjacent to the I-12 corridor and expanding residential and commercial developments. Founded in 1984, CES enrolls students from a variety of cultural, social, and economic backgrounds. Historically serving Pre-k through 8th Grade, the school now includes high school (grades 8–12). There are 675 students enrolled across all divisions, and the High School faculty consists of 22 full-time and 6 part-time teachers. The high school has 132 students, and the Class of 2024, the school's 12th graduating class, has 22 members.

Course of Study 26½ units required for graduation

English 4 Units Required

English I, II, III, IV (Honors at I, II levels)
AP English Language and Composition
AP English Literature and Composition
Creative Writing (½ unit)
Film as Literature (½ unit)
Inquiry (½ unit)
Poetry (½ unit)
Senior Speak (½ unit)
Shakespeare (½ unit)
Genre to Genre (½ unit)
Women Writers of Color (½ unit)
Visual Storytelling (½ unit)

Fine Arts 1 Unit Fine Arts Survey Required

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AP Art History
Studio Art I, II, III, IV (Honors)
Technical Theater I, II, III, IV (Honors)
Theater and Performance I, II, III
Costume Design I, II, III, IV (Honors)
Music and Technology
Broadcasting
Ceramics
Art Elective Independent Study

World Language 3 Units Required

Spanish I, II, III, IV
AP Spanish Language and Culture
AP Spanish Literature and Culture
French I, II, III, IV

Health & Physical Education 2 Units Required

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Social Studies 4 Units Required

Civics, AP US Government and Politics
World History (Honors)
US History, AP US History
European History, AP European History
Psychology
Philosophy
Holocaust
Economics (½ unit)
20th Century History (½ unit)
Constitutional Law (½ unit)
Russian History (½ unit)
Moral Film & Philosophy (½ unit)
Test Prep (½ unit)

Mathematics 4 Units Required

Algebra I, II, III (I, II Honors)
Geometry (Honors)
Pre-Calculus (Honors)
Calculus I (Honors)
Financial Math
Multivariable Calculus
Computer Science
Probability and Statistics

Theology 2 Units Required

Foundational Theology (½ unit)
World Religions (½ unit)
Biblical Theology (½ unit)
Ethics and Morality (½ unit)

Mythology of the Ancient World (½ unit)

Science 4 Units Required

Physical Science (Honors)
Biology I (Honors)
Biology II – Anatomy (Honors)
AP Biology
Conservational Biology
Chemistry (Honors)
Physics I (Honors), Physics II
Environmental Science
*PLTW Biomedical Science-
Human Body Systems (Honors)
*PLTW Biomedical Science II-
Medical Interventions (Honors)
Genetics (½ unit)
Neurobiology (½ unit)
Pathogenic Microbiology (½ unit)
**Project Lead The Way*

Speech 1 Unit Required

Speech I, II
Debate I, II

Note: Elective classroom courses, Independent Study courses, and other academic study opportunities are available throughout the curriculum. Graduates are required to earn at least three elective credits.

College Admission Testing Summary (High ACT Scores*)

Classes of 2018-2021

	ACT English	ACT Math	ACT Reading	ACT Science	ACT Composite
Range, mid 50%	21-31	20-27	22-31	21-27	21-29
% Scores 30 or above	36%	15%	36%	25%	23%

*As a rule, most students take only the ACT; others may sit for both the ACT and SAT, and a few students sit for only the SAT.

Academic Performance, Class of 2024

Christ Episcopal School does not publish rank-in-class statistics. In order to facilitate admission decisions, please note that the composite grade-point average for the Class of 2024 through the end of the 11th grade is 3.73. After six semesters, the median GPA was 3.81. Reported GPAs are weighted and limited to courses taken at CES. Please consult the student transcript for grading system details.

College Acceptances, Classes of 2013-2023

Since the inaugural high school graduating class in 2013, the 241 graduates of Christ Episcopal School have been accepted into 275 different colleges and universities. Listed below are select acceptances for our eleven graduating classes.

Aberystwyth University
American Academy of Dramatic Arts
American Musical and Dramatic Academy
American University
Auburn University
Ball State University
Baylor University
Belmont University
Berry College
Birmingham-Southern College
Boston College
Brown University
California College of the Arts
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Chapman University
Clemson University
College of Charleston
College of William & Mary
Colorado College
Colorado School of Mines
Columbia University
Concordia University Texas
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
David Lipscomb College
DePaul University
Dickinson College
Duke University
Elon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Emory & Henry College
Emory University
Flagler College
Florida State University
Fordham University
Furman University
Georgetown University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Gonzaga University
Gustavus Adolphus College
Harvard University
Hawai'i Pacific University
High Point University
Indiana State University
Johns Hopkins University
Kansas City Art Institute
Lafayette College
Lewis and Clark College
Louisiana State University
Louisiana Tech University
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University New Orleans
Marquette University
McGill University
Miami University
Michigan State University
Middlebury College
Millsaps College
Mississippi College
Mississippi State University
Montana State University
Niagara University
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University

Northwestern State University of Louisiana
Oberlin College
Occidental College
Ohio State University
Parsons School of Art and Design
Pepperdine University
Pomona College
Pratt Institute
Presbyterian College
Princeton University
Purdue University
Reed College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rhode Island School of Design
Rhodes College
Rice University
Rollins College
St. Edward's University
St. John's University (NY)
St. Mary-of-the-Woods College
San Francisco Art Institute
Santa Clara University
Savannah College of Art and Design
Samford University
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Seattle University
Sewanee: The University of the South
Spring Hill College
Southeastern Louisiana University
Southern Methodist University
Swarthmore College
Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
Trinity University
Tufts University
Tulane University
United States Air Force Academy
University of Alabama
University of Arkansas
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, San Diego

University of California, Santa Barbara
University of California, Santa Cruz
University of Chicago
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Denver
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Louisiana at Lafayette
University of Louisiana at Monroe
University of Maine
University of Maryland, College Park
University of Miami
University of Michigan
University of Mississippi
University of New Orleans
University of North Carolina at Asheville
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of North Texas
University of Notre Dame
University of Oklahoma
University of Pennsylvania
University of Richmond
University of St. Andrews (UK)
University of San Diego
University of South Florida
University of Southern California
University of Southern Mississippi
University of Tampa
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
University of Texas at Austin
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin - Madison
Vanderbilt University
Wake Forest University
Washington University
Washington University in St. Louis
West Virginia University
Wesleyan University
Whitman College
Wofford College
Yale University

Curriculum Notes

Seniors Speak: CES requires all seniors to successfully complete an independent research project and make an oral, Ted Talk-like, presentation. Each student chooses a topic to investigate, one that holds personal interest or meaning. Seniors Speak develops rigorous research skills while leaving room for individual and creative expression. This year-long journey ends with evening presentations, which historically have included multimedia technology, 3D constructions, costume construction, artistic interpretations, product development, and traditional documented research.

Arts: CES offers innovative, challenging experiences in Theater, Technical Theater, Costume Design, and Studio Art. In addition to technical training, our program develops the creative potential of the students through problem-solving, project-based learning, and hands-on instruction. Upper-level, Honors, and Independent Study options provide the opportunity for passion enrichment through a demanding curriculum.

Science: CES students are required to make observations, think critically, and provide evidence to support their reasoning about the natural world around them. In the core courses, we engage in curricula that fosters discovery, inquiry, and analysis through lab experiences, real-world phenomena case studies, and class discussion. Electives provide space for student-driven curricula and instruction based on their interests. Honors and AP courses are rigorous and fast-paced, challenging those students that desire a more challenging learning experience.