

Academic Profile 2024-2025



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About Us

Christ Episcopal School is a 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, while grades Early Pre-K through Kindergarten are on a campus in historic downtown Covington. Founded in 1984, CES enrolls students from a variety of cultural, social, and economic backgrounds. There are 679 students enrolled across all divisions, with 123 of those in the Upper School. The Class of 2025, the school's 13th graduating class, has 25 members. The Upper School faculty consists of 22 full-time and 6 part-time teachers.

Course of Study 27 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)
Poetry (½ unit)
Seniors Speak (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 Marketing and Management
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

Health & Physical Education I, II, III

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
20th Century History (½ unit)
Constitutional Law (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)
Math 4/Math 5 Capstone Exeter (½ unit)
Financial Math
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)
Faith and Culture (½ unit)

Science 4 Units Required

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

Speech 1 Unit Required

Speech I
Debate I

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 2019-2024

	ACT English	ACT Math	ACT Reading	ACT Science	ACT Composite
Range, mid 50%	21-30	19-27	21-30	20-27	21-28
% Scores 30 or above	24%	11%	26%	14%	15%

*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 2025

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 2025 through the end of the 11th grade is 3.836. After six semesters, the median GPA was 3.83. Reported GPAs are weighted and limited to courses taken at CES. Please consult the student transcript for grading system details.

College Acceptances, Classes of 2013-2024

Since the inaugural Upper School graduating class in 2013, the 263 graduates of Christ Episcopal School have been accepted into 293 different colleges and universities. Listed below are select acceptances for our 12 graduating classes.

Aberystwyth University	Occidental College	University of California, Santa Barbara
American Academy of Dramatic Arts	Ohio State University	University of California, Santa Cruz
American Musical and Dramatic Academy	Parsons School of Art and Design	University of Chicago
American University	Pepperdine University	University of Colorado Boulder
Auburn University	Pomona College	University of Denver
Ball State University	Pratt Institute	University of Florida
Baylor University	Presbyterian College	University of Georgia
Belmont University	Princeton University	University of Louisiana at Lafayette
Berry College	Purdue University	University of Louisiana at Monroe
Birmingham-Southern College	Reed College	University of Maine
Boston College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of Maryland, College Park
Brown University	Rhode Island School of Design	University of Miami
California College of the Arts	Rhodes College	University of Michigan
Carnegie Mellon University	Rice University	University of Mississippi
Case Western Reserve University	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of New Orleans
Chapman University	Rollins College	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Clemson University	Rutgers University	University of Notre Dame
College of Charleston	St. Mary-of-the-Woods College	University of Oklahoma
College of William & Mary	San Francisco Art Institute	University of Pennsylvania
Colorado College	Santa Clara University	University of Richmond
Colorado School of Mines	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of St. Andrews (UK)
Columbia University	Samford University	University of San Diego
Concordia University Texas	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	University of San Francisco
Cornell University	Seattle University	University of South Carolina, Columbia
Dartmouth College	Sewanee: The University of the South	University of South Florida
David Lipscomb College	Spring Hill College	University of Southern California
DePaul University	Southeastern Louisiana University	University of Southern Mississippi
Dickinson College	Stanford University	University of Tampa
Duke University	Southern Methodist University	University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Elon University	Swarthmore College	University of Texas at Austin
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	Texas A&M University	University of Vermont
Emory & Henry College	Texas Christian University	University of Virginia
Emory University	Trinity University	University of Washington
Flagler College	Tufts University	University of Wisconsin, Madison
Florida State University	Tulane University	Vanderbilt University
Fordham University	United States Air Force Academy	Wake Forest University
Furman University	University of Alabama	Washington University
Georgetown University	University of Arkansas	Washington University in St. Louis
Georgia Institute of Technology	University of California, Berkeley	West Virginia University
Gonzaga University	University of California, Davis	Wesleyan University
Gustavus Adolphus College	University of California, Los Angeles	Wofford College
Harvard University	University of California, San Diego	Yale 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		
Oberlin College		

Curriculum Notes

Seniors Speak: CES requires all seniors to successfully complete a year-long 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.

Arts: CES offers innovative, challenging experiences in both performing and visual 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. We engage in curricula that fosters discovery, inquiry, and analysis through lab experiences, real-world phenomena case studies, and class discussion. Honors and AP courses are rigorous and fast-paced.

Mathematics: The honors track at CES uses curriculum from Phillips Exeter Academy and consists of a colloquial, word-problem-based approach to Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II in 8th through 10th grades. These classes are geared toward advanced students who work well with an exploratory and interactive approach to concepts that often go beyond the material covered in a traditionally taught math class. In 2024-25, the Exeter classes previously used for Precalculus and Calculus are being replaced with textbook-based honors classes.