

Academic Profile 2025-2026



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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 Pontchartrain 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 665 students enrolled across all divisions, with 122 of those in the Upper School. The Class of 2026, the school's 14th graduating class, has 30 members. The Upper School faculty consists of 20 full-time and 7 part-time teachers.

Course of Study 27 units required for graduation

English 4 Units Required

English I, II, III, IV (I, II Honors)
AP English Language and Composition
AP English Literature and Composition
Film as Literature (½ unit)
Publications I – Yearbook (½ unit)
Seniors Speak (½ unit)

Fine Arts 1 Unit Fine Arts Survey Required

AP 2-D Art and Design
AP Art History
AP Music Theory
Art Elective Independent Study
Ceramics
Costume Design I, II, III, IV (II-IV Honors)
Makerspace
Music
Music and Technology
Studio Art I, II, III, IV (II-IV Honors)
Technical Theater I, II, III, IV (II-IV Honors)
Theater Marketing and Management
Theater and Performance I, II, III, IV
(II-IV Honors)

World Language 3 Units Required

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

Health & P.E. 2 Units Required

Health & Physical Education I, II
Strength, Conditioning, and Athletic Performance

Social Studies 4 Units Required

European History, AP European History
Civics, AP US Government and Politics
US History, AP US History
World History (Honors)
Adulting 101 (½ unit)
African American Studies (Honors)
Food Studies and Gastronomy (½ unit)
Hippies, Yippies, Preppies, and the
20th Century (½ unit)
Holocaust
Introduction to Philosophy
Psychology
Test Prep (½ unit)

Mathematics 4 Units Required

Algebra I, II, III (I, II Honors)
Calculus I (Honors)
Geometry (Honors)
Pre-Calculus (Honors)
Computer Science
Financial Math
Math 4/Math 5 Capstone Exeter (½ unit)
Probability and Statistics

Theology 2 Units Required

Biblical Theology (½ unit)
Faith and Culture (½ unit)
Foundational Theology (½ unit)
Moral Theology and Ethics (½ unit)
Mythology of the Ancient World (½ unit)
World Religions (½ unit)

Science 4 Units Required

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

Classes of 2020-2025

| | ACT English | ACT Math | ACT Reading | ACT Science | ACT Composite |
|----------------------|-------------|----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| Range, mid 50% | 20-29 | 18-26 | 21-29 | 20-26 | 20-27 |
| % Scores 30 or above | 25% | 9% | 29% | 17% | 16% |

*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 2026

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 2026 through the end of the 11th grade is 3.846. After six semesters, the median GPA was 3.87. Reported GPAs are weighted and limited to courses taken at CES. Please consult the student transcript for grading system details.

College Acceptances, Classes of 2013-2025

Since the inaugural Upper School graduating class in 2013, the 288 graduates of Christ Episcopal School have been accepted into 301 different colleges and universities. Listed below are select acceptances for our 13 graduating classes.

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

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 foster 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 were replaced with textbook-based honors classes.