



# Christian Brothers High School

*Enter to Learn. Leave to Serve*

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## 2025-2026 SCHOOL PROFILE

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## OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Founded in 1876 by the De La Salle Christian Brothers, Christian Brothers High School is one of only two co-educational four-year college preparatory Catholic high schools located in Sacramento, California. Christian Brothers High School has made a commitment to remain in Oak Park, an economically depressed neighborhood of Sacramento, fulfilling the mission begun by Saint John the Baptist de La Salle in 1680 in France. De La Salle founded his teaching order to serve the poor and disadvantaged, and Christian Brothers continues that tradition by offering a distinctive college-preparatory educational program to students from all social, economic, and ethnic backgrounds. Approximately 35% of our students receive tuition assistance and 9% qualify for free and reduced lunch. Enrollment is selective and acceptance is based on several factors including a standardized test, academic performance, behavior record, and middle school administrative recommendation.

## OUR STUDENTS

Christian Brothers draws its 1155 students (47% male/53% female) from approximately 75 parochial, private, and public elementary and middle schools in the greater Sacramento area. The current senior class is composed of 291 students.

African American/Black	7.6%	European American/White	39%	Multiracial/Other	18.6%
Asian/Pacific Islander/Filipino	11.8%	Hispanic/Latino	23%		

## OUR ACADEMIC CURRICULUM

Christian Brothers High School ensures that each student will experience academic rigor that will give them the skills needed to succeed in the 21st century as a global citizen facing the challenges and opportunities of academic, social and spiritual life. A core curriculum emphasizes reflective thinking, critical analysis and writing skills and each student takes seven courses each semester. Christian Brothers is WASC (WCEA) and LCAP accredited and the counselors are active members of WACAC and NACAC.

### Graduation Requirements 270 credits

English	40/45 credits	History and Social Science	35/40 credits	Mathematics	30 credits
Lab Science	20 credits	Visual and Performing Arts	10 credits	World Language	20 credits
Religion	40 credits	Physical Education	10 credits	Electives	70/75 credits

### Advanced Placement Offerings

Biology	Chemistry	Physics: C	English Literature and Comp	English Language and Comp
World History	US History	US Government	Psychology	Spanish Language
French Language	Calculus AB	Calculus BC	Computer Science Principles	Computer Science A
Statistics	Art History	Drawing		

### Honors Course Offerings

Sophomore Lit	Geometry	Algebra 2	Pre-Calculus	Biology	Chemistry	Physics
Spanish II	Spanish III	French II	French III	Chorale	Band	Concert Choir
Painting and Drawing	Acting Focus	ASL IV				

## IMPORTANT NOTES

- All students are required to take four years of religion.
- All students must complete 2 years of World History.
- Advanced Placement (AP) courses are only open to students who meet pre-requisites as outlined in the course catalog which are dependent on a previous course's grade and teacher recommendation.
- All students enrolled in an AP class **must** take the AP exam.
- Accelerated courses are the highest level academic courses that can be taken in the 9th grade except where placement by exam is the exception (math, world language, science.)

## PROGRAMS INSPIRED BY MISSION

- The Academic Resource Center (ARC) is designed to help meet the various learning needs and academic challenges within the student body. Our goal is to ensure that students have access to the resources and support they need to be successful in the school's college-preparatory curriculum.
- The Scholars Program offers students both the opportunity to be part of a community of highly motivated young people, and to enhance their admissions possibilities to highly selective colleges/universities. Students who have taken five accelerated courses and maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.5 at the end of their freshman year are eligible for this program. To continue in the Scholars Program, students must earn a GPA of at least 3.85 each semester of sophomore, junior and senior year. They must enroll in five accelerated (honors/AP) courses as sophomores, and three honors/AP courses as juniors and seniors.
- Christian Brothers offers a 4-year Visual and Performing Arts Program and a 4-year Engineering Program.
- Two-thirds of our students participate in our interscholastic athletic programs, which offer fifteen sports.
- Eighty percent of seniors participate in the culminating religious retreat experience, Kairos.

## GRADING

Christian Brothers' distinctive school-wide program for assessment and grading is based on longstanding research in educational measurement and assessment. Our transcript grades communicate student achievement only, unencumbered by process-or process-oriented criteria. Nonachievement factors are communicated in a separate "Citizenship Grade" reported to students and parents.

A Mastery of Core Content	• Minimum Passing Grade = D-
B High level of Competency	• College Recommending Grade = C-
C Adequate Comprehension	• Excluding A+, plusses and minuses are given
D Minimum Performance	• GPA is reported both as weighted and unweighted
F Fails to Meet Minimum Competency	• Students are not ranked
P UC/CSU a-g approved course	• Honors and AP classes receive an additional grade bump
N UC/CSU a-g unapproved course	
S NCAA approved course	

## POST-SECONDARY OUTCOMES

Grad year	2-yr college	4-yr college	Total	Military/ gap year
2020	18.8%	77.1%	96%	4%
2021	18%	78%	96%	4%
2022	13%	86%	99%	1%
2023	22%	76%	98%	2%
2024	20%	80%	100%	0%
2025	18%	80%	98%	2%