

The Bishop's School



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The School and Community

Founded in 1909, The Bishop's School is an independent, coeducational, college-preparatory day school pursuing intellectual, artistic, and athletic excellence in the context of the Episcopal tradition. The school currently enrolls 780 students in grades 6 through 12 from 68 zip codes throughout San Diego County. Many of our students commute more than an hour each morning. Of the 89 faculty members, 57 have master's degrees and 6 hold doctorate or terminal degrees; the student-teacher ratio is 13 to 1. **There are 148 students in the Class of 2011.**

The Bishop's School is the most selective independent school in San Diego County; standardized testing, school records, teacher recommendations, and a personal interview are reviewed in building each class. Last year, The Bishop's School distributed \$3 million in financial aid to just over 20 percent of the student body. Students of color and international students make up 32 percent of the student population.

Academic Offerings

As a college preparatory school where 100 percent of graduates plan to attend four-year colleges or universities, the curriculum has been developed to reflect that central purpose of the mission. Honors courses are offered in English III, Advanced Pre-Calculus, Chinese III and IV, French III, Latin III, and Spanish III. **The Bishop's School offers 22 Advanced Placement (AP) Courses** in *Art History, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics, Chemistry, Chinese Language and Culture, English Language & Composition, English Literature & Composition, European History, French Language, Government & Politics-Comparative, Government and Politics-U.S., Latin-Vergil, Economics, Physics B, Psychology, Spanish Language, Spanish Literature, Statistics, Studio Art, and U.S. History.*

In order to allow students with a special interest in a particular field of study to pursue interests beyond the bounds of the AP program, the School also offers several "**Advanced Honors**" courses that allow a small number to study in a college seminar-like setting. These include English, Math, Physics, Science Research, French, Latin, Spanish and Philosophy of Religion.

Mission Statement

The Bishop's School is an academic community pursuing intellectual, artistic, and athletic excellence in the context of the Episcopal tradition. We are dedicated to offering the highest quality education to a diverse student body and to fostering integrity, imagination, moral responsibility, and commitment to serving the larger community.

Diversity and Inclusion Statement

The Bishop's School promotes an inclusive and compassionate community of students, faculty, staff, administrators, parents, trustees, and alumni. We honor and embrace diverse identities such as age, culture, ethnicity, family structure, gender and gender identity, group affiliation, national origin, physical and mental ability, race, religion, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic status. Because diversity enriches the exchange of ideas, we foster a physically and emotionally safe environment in which different experiences, thoughts, and opinions are respectfully expressed and respectfully heard. Such an environment allows every individual to thrive in and contribute to our global community.

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Graduation Requirements

Students must earn a minimum of 48 semester credits in grades nine through twelve to graduate; 32 of these credits must be in academic courses. One year of upper school math and foreign language courses taken in middle school can count toward this total. Students are required to carry a minimum of six courses per semester with at least four being academic courses; seniors may carry five courses. Minimum requirements in each discipline are:

English – 4 years	Foreign Language – 3 years
Mathematics – 3 years	Religious Studies – 1 year
History – 2 years	Fine Arts – 1 year
Science – 3 years (2 lab sciences)	Physical Education – 8 trimesters

Most students go beyond departmental requirements. However, students are cautioned against overloading by taking too demanding a course load while participating in additional activities. Physical Education requirements are met through both on and off-campus athletic involvement.

Statement on Discipline

As of the 2010 – 2011 academic year, “probation” represents the most serious disciplinary offenses at The Bishop’s School. In the case of probation or suspension for disciplinary reasons, it is the School’s policy to report probations and suspensions issued by the Discipline Committee and Head of School to the colleges to which the student has applied or will attend.

In the case of expulsion in the senior year, it is the School’s policy to report that change of status to the colleges to which the student has applied or will attend.

Accreditations & Memberships

The Bishop’s School is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), and is a member of the National Association of Episcopal Schools, The College Board, CAIS, NAIS, NACAC, WACAC, ACCIS (Founding School) and the Cum Laude Society.



CLASS of 2010 Average Test Scores	
SAT Critical Reading	643
SAT Math	653
SAT Writing	665
ACT Composite	29

National Merit	
Finalists	7
Commended Students	20

Grading Scale	
A+ = 4.3	
A = 4.0	
A- = 3.7	
B+ = 3.3	
B = 3.0	
B- = 2.7	
C+ = 2.3	
C = 2.0	
C- = 1.7	
D+ = 1.3	
D = 1.0	
D- = 0.7	

Co-Curricular Offerings

The Bishop's School encourages development in all aspects of a student's life. The athletic program has been designed to be broad enough to prepare gifted athletes to compete at the college level while, at the same time, insuring that all students are exposed to the lifelong benefits of athletics and physical fitness. In the course of a school year 70 percent of Bishop's Upper School students play on one or more of the 40 varsity and junior varsity teams.

In addition to a highly competitive varsity athletic program, the School also has select, award-winning performing arts groups. **The Bishop's Singers, Acting Workshop, and Performing Dance Group** are audition-only ensembles that represent the greatest performing arts talents of the School and require significant time commitment outside of the classroom.

Community Service

Each Bishop's student must complete 100 hours of community service during grades nine through twelve. A minimum of 20 hours must be earned in grades nine through eleven, and 40 hours must be completed in the senior year. **The 131 members of the Class of 2010 completed 26,040 hours of individual service.**

Honor Roll and Policy on Class Rank

Honor Roll for a semester is awarded to students with two A's in academic subjects and no grade below B- in any subject. Summer school grades do not count toward Honor Roll, although they are included the student's GPA.

Honors, AP, and Advanced Honors courses are weighted one point in GPA calculation. The Bishop's School does not calculate class rank.

Class Standings		
2011 Average GPA 3.87	Highest GPA in class 5.00	Lowest GPA in class 2.38

2010 AP Exam Results

In the academic year 2009 – 2010, 343 students in grades nine through twelve sat for a total of 739 Advanced Placement exams in 24 subjects.

Of the exams completed by Bishop's students, 91% earned a score of 3, 4, or 5.



Graduates from last four classes (2007 – 2010) have matriculated at the following colleges and universities:

Adelphi University	Johns Hopkins University (3)	University of California, Berkeley (15)
Amherst College (5)	Kenyon College (3)	University of California, Davis (3)
Arizona State University	Lehigh University (2)	University of California, Irvine
Babson College (9)	Lewis & Clark College (3)	University of California,
Bard College	Loyola Marymount University (6)	Los Angeles (11)
Barnard College (2)	Macalester College	University of California, Riverside (2)
Bates College (2)	Marist College	University of California,
Bennington College (2)	Massachusetts	San Diego (6)
Berklee College of Music	Institute of Technology (4)	University of California,
Boston College (6)	Miami University	Santa Barbara (9)
Boston University (9)	Middlebury College (3)	University of California,
Bowdoin College (3)	Mills College	Santa Cruz (3)
Brown University (7)	Mississippi State University	University of Chicago (7)
Bryn Mawr College	New York University (16)	University of Denver (2)
Bucknell University (3)	Northeastern University	University of Iowa
California Polytechnic State	Northwestern University (8)	University of Louisiana
University, San Luis Obispo (8)	Oberlin College (5)	University of Maryland,
California State University, Fullerton	Occidental College (4)	Baltimore County
California State University, Stanislaus	Pennsylvania State University	University of Miami
Carnegie Mellon University (2)	Pepperdine University (4)	University of Michigan (3)
Carleton College (2)	Pitzer College	University of Missouri, Columbia
Catholic University (2)	Pomona College (2)	University of North Carolina
Chapman University (6)	Point Loma Nazarene	School of the Arts
Claremont McKenna College (2)	Princeton University (14)	University of North Carolina,
Clark University	Purdue University	Chapel Hill (2)
Colby College (2)	Reed College	University of Notre Dame (3)
Colgate University	Rice University (4)	University of Oregon (2)
College of William and Mary	Roanoke College	University of Pennsylvania (11)
College of Wooster	Rollins College	University of Redlands (4)
Colorado College	Saint Mary's College of California	University of San Diego (14)
Columbia University (9)	San Diego State University (7)	University of San Francisco (2)
Connecticut College (3)	Santa Clara University (13)	University of Southern California (30)
Cornell College	Sarah Lawrence College (1)	University of St. Andrews, Scotland
Cornell University (7)	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Wisconsin, Madison (3)
Dartmouth College (8)	Scripps College (3)	Vanderbilt University (2)
Duke University (4)	Seattle University (3)	Vassar College
Elon University	Siena College	Villanova University (3)
Emerson College	Skidmore College	Wake Forest University (5)
Emory University	Southern Methodist University (6)	Washington & Lee University (2)
Fordham University	Stanford University (21)	Washington University in St. Louis (3)
Franklin & Marshall College	St. Olaf College	Wellesley College (4)
George Washington University (4)	Swarthmore College (4)	Wesleyan University (2)
Georgetown University (10)	Syracuse University (2)	Wheaton College
Gettysburg College	Texas Christian University (2)	Whitman College
Hartwick College	Trinity College (9)	Whitworth College
Harvard University (6)	Trinity College, Dublin	Williams College (3)
Harvey Mudd College	Tufts University (4)	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Haverford College (3)	United States Military Academy	Yale University (5)
Hawaii Pacific University (2)	Université Paris, Sorbonne	
Hofstra University	University of Arizona (3)	
Howard University	University of British Columbia (4)	
Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios	University of Buffalo	
Superiores de Monterrey		

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