



# JUNIPERO SERRA HIGH SCHOOL

*Junipero Serra High School believes that students of all faiths and backgrounds deserve an academically challenging, spiritually enriching Catholic college preparatory education that forms them to become generous, responsible citizens and leaders.*

## 2018-2019 School Profile

Junipero Serra High School of Gardena, founded in 1950 by James Francis Cardinal McIntyre and the Marianist Order, is a coeducational, four-year, Catholic college preparatory school in the Los Angeles Catholic Archdiocese that is enjoying its sixty seventh year of operation. Typically, 99% of the graduates go directly to higher education. The Class of 2018 had 100% college acceptance. Current enrollment is 413 with a senior class of 101 students.

## Faculty

Serra currently has 27 full-time teaching and administrative staff members who all hold professional degrees. The entire staff includes 17 with master's degrees.

## Accreditation and Memberships:

Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Western Catholic Educational Association, the College Board, California Scholarship Federation, National Catholic Educational Association.

## School Community

Junipero Serra is located in Gardena, California. Admission is by placement examination, evaluation, and elementary school grades. Each year approximately 30 elementary and middle schools, public and private, are represented in the applicant pool.

Serra's tuition is competitive with most Catholic and private high schools in Los Angeles (\$8,225 Catholic / \$8,600 non-Catholic 2018-2019). Considerable foundation support toward financial assistance enables Serra to educate students who might otherwise not be able to experience Catholic education because of their family's economic and social backgrounds. Serra represents the diversity that is evident in its surrounding community.

## Curriculum

The basic program required for all students includes eight semesters each of English and religion; six semesters each of mathematics and social studies, four semesters each of laboratory science and foreign language; two semesters each of visual performing arts, physical education with health and college-preparatory elective. Eighty hours of community service are required over the four years.

## Advanced Level Courses Available

### Freshman

Biomedical Science  
Honors English 9

### Sophomore

Biomedical Science II  
Honors Biology  
Honors Geometry  
Honors World Literature

### Junior

AP English Language  
Biomedical Science III  
College U.S History to 1877  
College US History to Present  
Honors Algebra II  
Honors American Literature  
Honors Chemistry  
Honors Pre-Calculus

### Senior

AP Calculus AB  
College Argumentative/Debate  
College Economics  
College English (Intro to Fiction)  
College English (Ethnic Groups)  
College Government  
College Intro to Business  
College Personal Finance  
College Public Speaking  
Honors English 12

**College-level courses are taught on campus through a partnership with El Camino College and are UC/CSU transferable.**

**Grades:** All teachers compute assignments, tests and report cards use the following scale.

2011-2018 Academic Years					
Grade Scale		Unweighted GPA		Weighted GPA	
Mark	Percentage	Mark	Points	Mark	Points
A	90-100	A	4.0	A	5.0
B	89-80	B	3.0	B	4.0
C	79-70	C	2.0	C	3.0
F	69-0	F	0	F	0

## Grade Point Averages

Our graduates have multiple GPA's. Our Total G.P.A reflects a composite of all courses taken in the high school; the Cal Grant GPA is utilized for CAL GRANTS federal & state financial aid eligibility; the Academic G.P.A. reflects the courses that meet the UC/CSU A-G requirements. Private universities each view the Total G.P.A. and accept courses based on the individual university's requirements.

All honors, advanced placement and El Camino College courses are weighted so that they are given a higher credit than the regular or non-honors course. The weighted G.P.A. is used to determine class ranking and the honor roll only. The incentive for choosing the more challenging course of studies is thus rewarded. The weighted grade is posted on the transcript as colleges accept both the unweighted or weighted G.P.A. Some colleges do weight particular subjects and will calculate their own G.P.A. for that student.

The school code is **051025**

## College Acceptances for 2017-2018 School Year

Alabama A&M University	Long Beach City College
Alabama State University	Los Angeles Harbor College
Alcorn University	Loyola Marymount University
Arizona State University	Loyola University, Chicago
Azusa Pacific University	Marist College
Beloit College	Marymount California University
Bethany College	Menlo College
Bethune-Cookman University	Miles College
Biola University	Missouri Valley College
Boise State University	Morehouse College
California Baptist University	Morgan State University
California Polytechnic, Pomona	Mount St. Antonio College
California Polytechnic, San Luis Obispo	Norfolk State University
Centenary College of Louisiana	Northern Arizona University
Clarke University	Paul Quinn College
College of San Mateo	Penn State Beaver
Colorado Mesa University	Pennsylvania State University
Concordia College, AL	Pepperdine University
Concordia College, MN	Philander Smith College
Concordia University, CA	Prairie View A&M University
CSU, Bakersfield	Seattle University
CSU, Channel Islands	Seton Hall University
CSU, Dominguez Hills	Shaw University
CSU, Fresno	Smith College
CSU, Fullerton	Southern University/A&M College
CSU, Long Beach	Spelman College
CSU, Monterey Bay	Texas Southern University
CSU, Northridge	Tuskegee University
CSU, Sacramento	UC, Davis
CSU, San Diego	UC, Irvine
CSU, San Francisco	UC, Los Angeles
CSU, San Jose	UC, Riverside
Curry College	UC, San Diego
Dillard University	UC, Santa Barbara
Eastern Washington University	UC, Santa Cruz
El Camino College	University of Arizona
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	University of Colorado, Boulder
Florida Memorial University	University of Maine, Presque Isle
Gonzaga University	University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Goucher College	University of Oregon
Grambling State University	University of Puget Sound
Grand Canyon University	University of San Francisco
Hampton University	University of Southern California
Hiram College	University of Utah
Holy Names University	University of the Incarnate
Hope International University	United States Air Force Academy
Howard University	United States Naval Academy
Jackson State University	Vanguard University
Kalamazoo College	Virginia State University
Kentucky State University	Washington State University
Knox College	Western Washington University
Langston University	Whittier College
Linfield College	Xavier University of Louisiana
Lynn University	Xavier University, Ohio