



ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL

Salesian College Preparatory

School Profile 2018-2019

Mission

St. Francis High School *Salesian College Preparatory* expresses the educational philosophy of reason, religion, and loving kindness of the Salesians of St. John Bosco and works to create a community that fosters emotional, intellectual, spiritual, and physical growth. In partnership with families, St. Francis High School provides students with the foundations of lifelong learning: logical and creative thinking skills, promoting awareness of social justice and peace, and appreciation and respect for others.

Philosophy

St. Francis High School *Salesian College Preparatory* recognizes the importance of a high quality, holistic education for a rapidly changing world. Guided by St. John Bosco's educational philosophy of reason, religion, and loving kindness, and in the spirit of St. Mary Mazzarello, foundress of the Salesian Sisters, St. Francis High School provides a college preparatory education for students from diverse abilities and socioeconomic backgrounds.

The faculty and staff actively seek to provide students with an experience of home, where they feel welcome; school, where they learn 21st century skills for life; church, where they find meaning; and playground, where they celebrate life and others.

Embracing St. John Bosco's vision of community as family, St. Francis High School collaborates as a total Salesian family--students, parents, administrators, teachers, and staff--to achieve the goal of preparing young people to be outstanding citizens of this world and the next.

Position Statement

St. Francis High School is a community of faith that fosters excellence through the spirit of St. John Bosco.

Vision

To ensure every student is prepared to attend a 4-year college and possesses the values of a good Christian and an honest global citizen.

Administration

Mr. Patrick Lee, President | Principal

Ms. Colleen Eagleson, Associate Principal | Social Studies Instructor

Mrs. Shannon McLeod, Coordinator of Youth Ministry | Theology Instructor

Mr. Anthony Castaneda, Director of Activities & Information Technology

Mr. Adam Hazel, Athletic Director | Social Studies Instructor

Ms. Lilia Madrigal, Business & Human Resources Manager

Accreditation

Western Association of Schools and Colleges

Western Catholic Educational Association

Salesian Western Province of St. Andrews

National Catholic Educational Association

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Student Population

251 students are enrolled at St. Francis. For the 2018-2019 school year, there are 70 freshmen, 60 sophomores, 55 juniors, and 66 seniors.

Approximately 57% of the students are young men and 43% are young women. Approximately 90% of the students at St. Francis are Catholic. The student body identifies itself as 51% Hispanic, 41% Caucasian, 4% Asian/Pacific Islander, 3% African-American, and 1% other.

Graduation Requirements

St. Francis offers a comprehensive four-year college preparatory program of study designed to meet all public and private university admissions requirements. Courses meet University of California, California State University, and College Board approval.

To graduate from St. Francis, the following courses must be completed with passing grades:

- English (8 semesters)
- Laboratory Science (4 semesters)
- Mathematics (6 semesters)
- Modern Language (4 semesters)
- Physical Education/Health (2 semesters)
- Social Studies (6 semesters)
- Theology (8 semesters)
- Visual and Performing Arts (2 semesters)

Test Scores

St. Francis students test well above average on the AP, PSAT, and SAT exams. The 5-year SAT average for St. Francis is 1608, 110 points higher than the national average. The AP pass rate is 79.9%, 59% higher than the national average. In the past 5 years, a 100% pass rate has been achieved one or more times in AP Calculus AB, AP English Literature, AP English Language, AP Spanish, and AP Studio Art.

Honors and Advanced Placement Courses

St. Francis offers a wide selection of honors and Advanced Placement courses in a traditional college preparatory curriculum. Courses include:

Algebra 2 Honors	Composition	Biology Honors
AP Biology	AP Government	Biomedical Science Pathway
AP Calculus AB	AP Macroeconomics (online)	Chemistry Honors
AP Calculus BC (online)	AP Microeconomics (online)	English 10 Honors
AP Chemistry	AP Psychology (online)	Geometry Honors
AP Computer Science Principles	AP Spanish Language	Pre-Calculus Honors
AP English Language and Composition	AP Statistics (online)	Spanish 2 Honors
AP English Literature and Composition	AP Studio Art	Spanish 3 Honors
	AP U.S. History	

PLTW: Project Lead the Way

St. Francis has partnered with the nationally recognized non-profit STEM organization “Project Lead the Way.” St. Francis will utilize and teach, on campus, the Project Lead the Way Biomedical Science Curriculum. The rigorous and relevant four-course sequence allows students to investigate the roles of biomedical professionals as they study the concepts of human medicine, physiology, genetics, microbiology, and public health. PLTW courses are aligned with Common Core State Standards in math and English Language Arts, Next Generation Science Standards, and other national and state standards. Yet, their programs are flexible and customizable so that schools can meet their local curricular and community needs. Courses are designed to complement math and science courses offered by a school.

- **1st Year: Principles of Biomedical Science**

By engaging in activities like dissecting a sheep heart, students explore concepts of biology and medicine to determine factors that led to the death of a fictional person.

- **2nd Year: Human Body Systems**

Through projects such as determining the identity of a skeleton using both forensic anthropology and DNA analysis, students, examine the interactions of human body systems and apply what they know to solve real-world medical cases.

- **3rd Year: Medical Interventions**

Students delve into activities like designing a prosthetic arm as they follow the life of a fictitious family and investigate how to prevent, diagnose, and treat disease.

- **4th Year: Biomedical Innovation**

Students build on the knowledge and skills gained from previous courses to design their own innovative solutions for the most pressing health challenges of the 21st century.

Bringing Computer Science to Life

At a time when computer science affects how we work and live, PLTW Computer Science empowers students in grades 9-12 to become creators, instead of merely consumers, of the technology all around them. The program's interdisciplinary courses engage students in compelling, real-world challenges. As students work together to design solutions, they learn computational thinking – not just how to code – and become better thinkers and communicators. Students take from the courses in-demand knowledge and skills they will use in high school and for the rest of their lives, on any career path they take.

Advanced Placement Computer Science Principles

AP Computer Science Principles offers a multidisciplinary approach to teaching the underlying principles of computation. The course will introduce students to the creative aspects of programming, abstractions, algorithms, large data sets, the Internet, cybersecurity concerns, and computing impacts. AP Computer Science Principles also gives students the opportunity to use current technologies to create computational artifacts for both self-expression and problem solving. Together, these aspects of the course make up a rigorous and rich curriculum that aims to broaden participation in computer science.

Online Learning Opportunities

St. Francis has partnered with Connections Learning to offer over 200 online courses that enrich and advance the current course offerings at St. Francis. These courses occur during the course of the school day, and all meet the UC requirements. The Associate Principal and Information Technology Director ensure that each enrolled students is completing work both inside and outside of the school day.

Important Facts about St. Francis

- Our students graduate and qualify for Private/UC/CSU college acceptance. 100% of the students who apply to 4-year universities are accepted to a university. In 2018 our graduating seniors have earned over \$7.1 million in academic and athletic scholarships.
- Annually, 99% of St. Francis graduates attend college, with 85% choosing to attend a 4-year university and 14% choosing a 2-year college program, then matriculating to a 4-year university.
- Annually, 100% of our students meet or exceed their 80 hours of service learning projects. Over the last 3 years summer students completed service projects outside of our local community in Idaho, Peru, Mexico, Italy, Costa Rica, and Ghana.
- Annually, 82% of the total student population participates on one or more athletic teams, and 54% of all varsity student-athletes maintain a 3.0 GPA or better. These scholar athletes are recognized annually at a Breakfast of Champions ceremony.
- In the last 6 years we have celebrated an alumnus winning the Super Bowl with the Denver Broncos and fourteen student-athletes signing Division 1 athletic scholarships.
- We offer a comprehensive and competitive arts program. Students can take a range of visual art classes and performing arts classes including, drawing, painting, AP Studio Art, concert band, drumline, drama, and choir.

Cumulative College Acceptances (2004-2018)

Academy of Art, San Francisco
 American University, Washington D.C.
 Arcadia University, Pennsylvania
 Arizona State University
 Augustana University, South Dakota
 Aurora University, Illinois
 Azusa Pacific University
 Baylor University, Texas
 Becker College, Massachusetts
 Benedictine College, Kansas
 Birmingham-Southern College, Alabama
 Boise State, Idaho
 Boston College
 Boston University
 Butler University, Indiana
 California Baptist University
 California College of the Arts
 California Institute of the Arts
 California Lutheran University
 California Maritime Academy
 California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
 California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
 California State University, Bakersfield
 California State University, Channel Islands
 California State University, Chico
 California State University, Dominguez Hills
 California State University, East Bay
 California State University, Fresno
 California State University, Fullerton
 California State University, Long Beach
 California State University, Los Angeles
 California State University, Monterey Bay
 California State University, Northridge
 California State University, Sacramento
 California State University, San Bernardino
 California State University, San Marcos
 California State University, Stanislaus
 Carroll College, Montana
 Case Western Reserve University, Ohio
 Catholic University, Washington D.C.
 Cedar Crest College, Pennsylvania
 Chaminade University, Hawaii
 Chapman University
 Claremont McKenna College
 Clark University, Massachusetts
 College of the Holy Cross, Massachusetts
 Colorado State University
 Columbia College Hollywood, Film, Television, and Digital Arts
 Concordia University, New York
 Creighton University, Nebraska
 Curry College, Massachusetts
 Daniel Webster College, New Hampshire
 DePaul University, Illinois
 DeSales University, Pennsylvania
 Dominican University of California
 Drexel University, Pennsylvania
 Duke University, North Carolina
 Eckerd College, Florida
 Ecole Libre des Sciences Politique, Reims, France
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Arizona
 Emerson College, Massachusetts
 Emory University, Georgia
 Essex College, London, England
 Fashion Institute of Design and Marketing (FIDM), San Francisco
 Fordham University, New York
 Franciscan University, Ohio
 Georgetown University, Washington D.C.
 Gonzaga University, Washington
 Gordon College, Massachusetts
 Grand Canyon University, Arizona
 Greenville University, Illinois
 Harvard College, Massachusetts
 Hawaii Pacific University
 Hofstra University, New York
 Hope International University, California
 Holy Cross College, Indiana
 Holy Names University
 Humboldt State University
 Idaho State University
 Indiana University
 John Carroll University, Ohio
 Kansas State
 Kenyon College, Ohio
 Kent State University, Ohio
 Landmark College, Vermont
 Lewis and Clark College, Oregon
 Lim College, New York
 Linfield College, Oregon
 Lipscomb University, Tennessee
 London College of Communication/University of the Arts
 London School of Film, Media, and Performance
 Long Island University, New York
 Longwood University, Virginia
 Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge
 Loyola College, Maryland
 Loyola Marymount University
 Loyola University, Illinois
 Marymount Manhattan College, New York
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 Menlo College
 Metropolitan State University of Denver
 Miami University, Florida
 Miami University of Ohio
 Michigan State University
 Mills College
 Montana State University
 Mount Marty College, South Dakota
 Mount St. Mary's College
 New York University
 Northeastern University, Massachusetts
 Northern Arizona University
 Notre Dame de Namur University
 Nyack College, New York
 Occidental College
 Oklahoma State University
 Oregon State University
 Otis College of Art and Design
 Oxford Brookes University, England
 Pacific Union College
 Pacific University, Oregon
 Pennsylvania State University
 Pepperdine University
 Pitzer College
 Point Loma Nazarene University
 Pomona College
 Pratt Institute, New Jersey
 Princeton University, New Jersey
 Providence College, Rhode Island
 Purdue University, Indiana
 Radford University, Virginia
 Reed College, Oregon
 Regents American College London
 Regis University, Colorado
 Richmond University, England
 Rider University, New Jersey
 Rutgers University, New Jersey
 Saint Anselm College, New Hampshire
 Saint Edwards University, Texas
 Saint Mary's College of California
 Salve Regina University, Rhode Island
 San Diego State University
 San Francisco State University
 San Jose State University
 Santa Clara University
 School of the Art Institute of Chicago
 Seattle University
 Seton Hall University, New Jersey
 Sonoma State University
 Southern Methodist University, Texas
 Southern Oregon University
 St. John's University, New York
 St. Joseph's University, Pennsylvania
 St. Louis University, Missouri
 St. Martin's University, Washington
 St. Mary's College, Indiana
 St. Michael's College, Vermont
 St. Olaf College, Minnesota
 Stanford University
 Stonehill College, Massachusetts
 Suffolk University, Massachusetts
 Swarthmore College, Pennsylvania
 Syracuse University, New York
 Technologico de Monterrey, Mexico
 Texas A&M University
 Texas Christian University
 Thomas Aquinas College
 The Art Institute of California at San Diego
 The King's College, New York
 The Ohio State University
 Trinity University, Texas
 Tufts University, Massachusetts
 Unity College, Maryland
 University of Alabama
 University of Albany, New York
 University of Alaska
 University of Arizona
 University of Bridgeport, Connecticut
 University of British Columbia
 University of California, Berkeley
 University of California, Davis
 University of California, Irvine
 University of California, Los Angeles
 University of California, Merced
 University of California, Riverside
 University of California, San Diego
 University of California, Santa Barbara
 University of California, Santa Cruz
 University of Colorado, Boulder
 University of Colorado, Denver
 University of Dallas
 University of Denver
 University of Hawaii, Manoa
 University of LaVerne
 University of Massachusetts, Amherst
 University of Miami, Florida
 University of Minnesota
 University of Missouri
 University of Nevada, Las Vegas
 University of Nevada, Reno
 University of North Dakota
 University of Notre Dame, Indiana
 University of Oregon
 University of the Arts, Media & Design, Philadelphia, PA
 University of the Pacific
 University of Portland
 University of Puget Sound
 University of Redlands
 University of Rochester, New York
 University of San Diego
 University of San Francisco
 University of Southern California
 University of Virginia
 University of Vermont
 University of Washington
 University of West London
 Vanderbilt University, Tennessee
 Vassar College, New York
 Villanova University, Pennsylvania
 Virginia Polytechnic Institute
 Walla Walla University, Washington
 Washington State University
 Western Oregon University
 Western Washington University
 Westmont College
 Whitman College, Washington
 Whittier College
 Willamette University, Oregon
 Woodbury University
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Massachusetts