



CHAMINADE COLLEGE PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL

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ACADEMIC PROFILE 2009 - 2010

The School

Chaminade College Preparatory High School is a private Catholic coeducational school that prepares college bound students throughout their middle school and high school years in a rigorous program of academic excellence. Students from a diversity of cultural, religious, and economic backgrounds come together for an active and varied curricular and extra-curricular program. There are 1260 students, and 88 faculty and administrative staff. The student/teacher ratio is 14 to one with an average class size of 27. There are 53 faculty members who hold the Master's degree and three hold Doctoral degrees. Chaminade is nationally recognized as a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the U.S. Department of Education.

College Accreditation

Chaminade College Preparatory High School is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges by the Western Catholic Educational Association. It is also a member of the approved Secondary Schools of the University of California.

Grading

The school year is divided into two semesters and classes meet every other day for 87 minutes. Chaminade issues three progress grade reports per semester; however, only semester grades appear on the student's permanent record at the end of each semester, in January and in June. Grades are weighted for courses designated as "Honors" or "Advanced Placement." We use a 4.0 grading scale as follows: A = 90–100, B = 80–89, C = 70–79, D = 60–69, and F = 0–59.

Graduation Requirements and Credits

The freshmen, sophomores, and juniors take seven courses each semester, and seniors take a minimum of six courses. Each semester course earns five credits. Students who attend Chaminade College Preparatory High School for four years must earn a minimum of 270 credits, including:

Critical Thinking and Composition (5)	English (40)	Religious Studies (40)
Introduction to Expository Composition (5)	Fine Arts (10)	Science (30)
Computer Science (5)	Foreign Language (20)	Social Studies (35)
	Mathematics (30)	Electives (20+)
	Physical Education (10)	

Students are required to do community service each year that they attend Chaminade (a total of 60 hours).

Honors and Advanced Placement

There are a total of 23 Advanced Placement and 15 Honors courses offered. In order to maintain a balanced course load, students are **not allowed** to take more than 2 AP courses in 10th grade, 3 in 11th grade and 4 in 12th grade. The following Advanced Placement and Honors courses are offered at Chaminade:

English American Literature & Composition Honors AP English Language AP English Literature British Literature & Composition Honors Literature & Composition Honors	Foreign Language AP French Language AP Latin AP Spanish Language AP Spanish Literature French II, III, V Honors Spanish II, III Honors Latin II, III Honors	Science AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science AP Physics B AP Physics C * Biology Honors Chemistry Honors	Social Science AP Comparative Government AP Economics AP European History * AP Human Geography AP Psychology AP United States Government AP United States History AP World History
Fine Arts AP Art	Mathematics Algebra II -Trigonometry Honors AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Probability & Statistics Geometry Honors Pre-Calculus Honors		*Not scheduled

Chaminade 2009 Profile

SAT and ACT Performance	Chaminade Mean	National Mean
224 students took SAT	Critical Reading (580) Math (575) Writing (594)	Critical Reading (501) Math (515) Writing (493)
205 students took ACT	25.3 Composite	21.1 Composite

SAT Scores

SCORE	Critical Reading	Math	Writing
700-800	20	26	32
600-699	72	62	81
500-599	99	91	73
400-499	28	38	32
300-399	4	7	5
200-299	0	0	1

National Merit Recognition

Class of 2009	
National Merit Commended Students	18
National Merit Semi-finalists	4
National Merit Finalists	4

Advanced Placement Results for 2009

In 2009, 446 Chaminade students took 930 AP examinations. Of the total exams taken 19% were a perfect score of 5, 22% were a score of 4, and 23% were a score of 3. With a score of 3 or higher, students may earn credit at many colleges and universities.

Class of 2009 Matriculation

Members of the Class of 2009 are attending 92 different four year and two year colleges as follows:

Enrolled in 4 year college	81%	University of California System	37
Enrolled in 2 year college	19%	California State University System	58
Total Graduates Attending College	100%	Catholic & Christian Colleges & Universities	37
		50 Most Selective U.S. Colleges & Universities	36
		Out-of-State Colleges & Universities	86

GPA and Rank

GPA is cumulative, computed each semester on the basis of the entire class, using full-time, full credit courses only. Grades are weighted in courses designated as "Honors" or "Advanced Placement". (+) and (-) grades are indicated on the transcript but are not weighted when computing GPA. Chaminade does not rank its students.

GPA Distribution – Class of 2010

GPA	# Students	Percent
Above 4.5	11	4%
4.5 – 4.0	50	18%
3.9 – 3.5	71	26%
3.4 – 3.0	68	25%
2.9 – 2.5	42	16%
2.4 – 2.0	22	8%
1.9 – 1.5	7	3%
Total	271*	100%
* Class size as of 6/09 Class size as of 9/09 is 274.		

