

Brentwood Christian School

High School Course Overview

The Mission of Brentwood Christian School is to lead students to love God and to nurture them in a Christ-centered academic environment that emphasizes excellence and inspires them to develop their God-given talents for lives of Christian leadership and service.

Three Graduation Plans: *Standard* requires 26 credits; *Advanced/Honors* and *Distinguished Scholar* require 28 credits

Freshman Year

English I or English I Honors (1 credit)	Bible (0.5 credit)
Algebra I or Geometry Honors (1 credit)	Physical Education/Athletics (1 credit)
Biology I or Biology I Honors (1 credit)	0 – 1 Fine Arts credit as needed
World History or World History Honors (1 credit)	0 – 1 Elective credit as needed
Spanish I or Spanish II (1 credit)	

Sophomore Year

English II or English II Honors (1 credit)	Physical Education/Athletics (1 credit)
Geometry or Algebra II Honors (1 credit)	Spanish II or Spanish III Honors (1 credit)
Chemistry or Chemistry Honors (1 credit)	0 – 1 Fine Arts credit as needed
Communications Application (Speech) (0.5 credit)	0 – 1 Elective credit as needed
Bible (0.5 credit)	

Junior Year

English III or AP English III (1 credit)	Computer or Computer Honors (1 credit)
Algebra II or Honors Pre-Calculus (1 credit)	Spanish III Honors (1 credit)
Forensic Science or AP Biology (1 credit)	Physical Education/Athletics -optional (1 credit)
U.S. History or U.S. History Honors (1 credit)	0 – 1 Fine Arts credit as needed
Bible (0.5 credit)	0 – 1 Elective credit as needed

Senior Year

English IV or AP English IV (1 credit)	Physics or Physics Honors (1 credit)
Pre-Calculus or AP Calculus (1 credit)	Athletics -optional (0-1 credit)
Government/Economics (0.5 credit each)	0 – 1 Fine Arts credit as needed
Bible (0.5 credit)	0 – 1 Elective credit as needed
Capstone Humanities or Honors (1 credit)	

Elective Options (.5 Credits each except as noted):

Note: Not all elective classes are offered each year. Some classes have prerequisites, require audition or require teacher approval.

Study Hall (0 credit)	Art I	Encore (Honor Choir)	Dual Credit Electives:
Yearbook	Art II	Band	Bible (Austin Graduate
Newspaper	Contract Art*	Jazz Band	School of Theology)
Personal Finance*	Art Appreciation*	Theater Production	Comp. Programming (ACU)
Competitive Speech*	Music History	Theater Tech	Mobile App Development
ACT/SAT Test Prep	Music Theory*	Theater Performance	(ACU)
Aide—Classroom/Office	High School Choir		

**Junior and Senior students only*

ACC Early College Start – Students who qualify may earn college credit through Austin Community College’s Early Start Program beginning the summer after their Sophomore year.

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Graduation Requirements

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SUBJECT	STANDARD	ADVANCED	DISTINGUISHED
BIBLE	2	2	2
ENGLISH	4	4	4
MATH	3	4	4
SCIENCE	3	4	4
HISTORY	4	4	4
SPEECH	.5	.5	.5
P.E.	2	2	2
FOREIGN LANGUAGE	2	2	3
COMPUTER	1	1	1
FINE ARTS	1	1	1
ELECTIVES	3.5	3.5	2.5
TOTAL	26	28	28

- ◆ Students must complete one unit of Bible each year enrolled at BCS.
- ◆ The Advanced Program requires a minimum of 4 honors credits. A maximum of one credit Honors Fine Art can apply.
- ◆ The Distinguished Program requires a minimum of 8 honors credits, including Honors Humanities, Distinction Points, a project and/or community service hours. A maximum of one credit Honors Fine Art can apply.
- ◆ All students must complete at least Algebra I, Algebra II and Geometry.
- ◆ All students are strongly encouraged to take four years of math and science.

IMPORTANT NOTES REGARDING GRADUATION PLANS BY HIGH SCHOOL YEAR:

- High school credits may be earned prior to the 9th grade year in Algebra I and Spanish I.
- Brentwood offers four AP (Advanced Placement®) courses—AP Biology, AP English III, AP English IV, and AP Calculus. AP courses are always Honors courses. Students may receive AP credit only if they take the AP test; otherwise, the course will be listed as an Honors course on their transcript. The amount of college credit a student may receive for their scores is determined by individual colleges.
- Some fine arts classes (Encore, music theory, band, contract art) may be taken for Honors credit if available.
- Honors classes are more academically challenging than non-honors classes. Students completing honors classes with a grade of 77 or above will receive 3 extra points on their semester averages.
- Bible must be taken each semester at BCS.
- A maximum of one credit of Aide can be counted towards graduation.