BRENTWOOD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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WHY BRENTWOOD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL?

Deciding where your child will spend his or her formative years is the single most impactful decision you will make in regards to their development. As you consider your options, please allow me to lay out the case for Brentwood Christian School (BCS).

BCS is a superior academic institution:
In the past 15 years, we have been TAPPS Academic State Champions 8 times; On national standardized tests, our elementary students score above the 90%, our middle school students score above 86%, and our high school students score significantly above state and national college entrance exams; BCS has a wide range of Advanced Placement offerings; Students leave BCS with strong academic scholarships and are headed to the college of their choice. This past year, the Class of 2025 left BCS with $6,237,156 in scholarships. BCS is also a Texas Education Freedom Accounts (TEFA) participating school.

BCS extra and co-curricular offerings are exemplary:
BCS is a two-time holder of The Henderson Cup, awarded to the school with the highest aggregate rating of academics, arts, and athletics as seen through multiple awards and the years.
Arts: The best Fine Arts facilities in central Texas; Drama, band, choir, and arts consistently place among the top schools in Texas and there is a wide range of musical, thespian, and art related offerings, both during and outside of school hours.
Athletics: Athletic programs begin in the 4th grade; Wide range of fall, winter, and spring sports, as well as a supporting strength and conditioning program; Outstanding Lady Bellas dance team, including the Bitty Bellas program for our younger students. The BCS community comes enforce to the games and supports our Bears; The Bears have won state championships in multiple sports and placed as state runner-up in several others.
After School: On-site tutoring that is class-specific both during and after school; After school enrichment program for elementary students with rotating offerings per semester including options like PSIA, dance, math pentathlon and more; Robust and popular Extended Day program for elementary students allowing parents schedule flexibility and gives students opportunities for social and emotional growth.

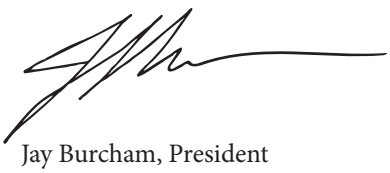
BCS is a community:
Numerous athletics, art, and academic events offered and students are encouraged to be involved in multiple activities so they can determine the gifts they have and should grow; Parent opportunities to engage, learn, and be a part of our students' educational and extracurricular journey – parenting seminars, movie nights, babysitting nights, and so much more; Parent networking that allows you to get to know other families and rely on each other for support. You will see exactly how the environment your child is learning in fosters his or her personal development.

Above all else BCS is committed to Christ:
Lessons are taught with a purposeful meaning and that is that God is the purpose and purveyor of all knowledge. All students attend chapel each week and pray to God each day; All students are required to treat each other and their teachers with respect and they are treated with respect in return; Expectations are known, consistent, and maintained – in a society that is losing its ability to maintain social discourse, BCS is emphasizing manners and discourse as expectations; Because BCS works in the light of Christ, everything we do is under an open and bright light, you will know what is happening with your child because you will be part of a community where bright lights are shined into every corner of what we do. We are proud of our daily offerings because we do all to the glory of God. As parents, you will be a part of your child's education through involvement and interactions with the students, teachers and administration. This is not only accepted, it is expected.

I have laid out many things for consideration, but in all honesty, I am only scratching the surface. BCS is a superior academic institution and provides an array of quality offerings that will give your child the ability to play, compete, perform, and grow. BCS families are incredibly loyal because of the collective commitment to giving our children the best opportunity for success and the spirit to succeed.

All of this is to say that at Brentwood Christian School, we will lead your student to love God. We will nurture him or her in a Christ-centered environment that emphasizes excellence and inspires them to develop their God-given talents for lives of Christian leadership and service. Why should you consider Brentwood Christian School? We believe in developing your whole child preparing them for the life lessons that will give them the ability to nurture friendships, impact their community, succeed in college, flourish in a future career, and rely on their relationship with God. It just doesn't get better than that!

As we say at BCS, It is a great day to be a Brentwood Christian Bear!



Jay Burcham, President

Brentwood Christian School

2025-2026 SCHOOL PROFILE

ADMINISTRATION

Jay Burcham – President
Kyle Maxfield – Athletic Director
Jason Montier – Fine Arts Director
Carol Johnson – High School Principal
Leah Smith – Middle School Principal
Jeremy Thornton – Elementary School Principal

MISSION: Established in 1963, Brentwood Christian School is devoted to this mission: 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. Brentwood Christian School is a ministry of Brentwood Oaks Church of Christ.

STUDENTS: Brentwood Christian, a college preparatory school, currently enrolls 650 students, 256 in EL3/4 through fifth grade, 149 in middle school, and 245 in high school. BCS welcomes students with a wide range of natural abilities from all religious, ethnic, and national origins who are seeking a solid Christian education. Minority enrollment is approximately 48%, with 15% Hispanic, 10% African-American, 8% Asian, 14% Biracial, and 1% American Indian/Alaska Native. Located in a wooded area in the northern part of the city, BCS draws approximately 50 percent of its students from Austin and 50 percent from surrounding towns.

FACULTY: Brentwood employs 63 full-time faculty, 34 full-time administration, and 13 part-time admin and staff. Ten teachers have been named Texas Christian Schools Association "Teacher of the Year," and three have been named Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools "Fine Arts Teacher of the Year." The National Christian School Association has recognized the previous school president, elementary principal, retired elementary librarian, and a current teacher as "Educator of the Year." The former elementary librarian also was listed in "Who's Who in America" for her creation of the nationally recognized Children's Crown Award library program.

ACCREDITATION: Brentwood Christian School is accredited by the National Christian School Association (NCSA) as well as Cognia - AdvancEd, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) - the largest accrediting body in the world.

ACHIEVEMENT: Students in all grades Kindergarten through 12th grade take the MAP assessment (Measures of Academic Progress) three times per year to reveal a student's continuum of learning and growth trajectory. MAP assessments are computer adaptive, revealing which academic skills and concepts students have mastered and the areas in which they need additional instruction. The average SAT score for the 2025 BCS graduates was 589 on ERW and 557 on Math for a total of 1146, significantly above the local, state, and national averages of 991-1043. The average ACT score was 23.3, also significantly above the national average of 19.4 and state average of 19.4.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROSPECTS: The majority of each graduating class goes directly on to college. Last year's graduating class of 68 students earned $6,237,156 in scholarships. Most graduates select a Christian university, the University of Texas at Austin, or Texas A&M University. The National Merit Scholarship Corporation has recognized 11 National Merit Scholars, one National Achievement Scholar, and 57 National Merit Commended Students.

CURRICULUM: All curriculum at BCS is written and taught from a consciously Christian perspective and meets or exceeds state and national standards. Elementary classes are self-contained except for chapel, music, art, physical education, computer, and library instruction. Band and orchestra begin in fifth grade, with additional electives being added in sixth through twelfth. High school students may choose the standard, advanced, or distinguished scholar curriculum. Textbooks, adopted on a rotating basis after faculty review, include both Christian and major publishers.

EXTRACURRICULAR: Students in 4th-5th grade can participate in our Cub Club program. This is an intramural sports program for students to grow skills in coed soccer, boys flag football, girls volleyball, and coed basketball. Students from sixth grade through high school compete in extracurricular athletics, including basketball, soccer, track & field, cross country, football, volleyball, etc. Teams compete in the Capital Area Private and Parochial Schools in grades 6th-8th and in the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools in high school. BCS band, choir, and drama groups rank high in statewide competitions. The student newspaper and yearbook have won numerous statewide recognitions. Student Council and Spiritual Life Committee play a significant role on campus. Honor clubs include National Honor Society, National Junior and Elementary Honor Society, and Thespians. Class retreats are traditions for grades 5, 6, 7, 9, and 12. Students can choose to participate in the eighth grade trip to Washington D.C. and typically a European destination for seniors.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT: BCS parents are noted for their enthusiastic involvement and support in many opportunities and events around campus. The BCS Association of Parents, Teachers, and Friends, the Athletic Booster Club, Parents in Prayer, and the Fine Arts Benefactors provide leadership in volunteer and fundraising activities.

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ACHIEVEMENTS

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE OVER THE PAST 15 YEARS

- 2-Time Henderson Cup Winner
- 8-Time TAPPS State Academic Champions
- 5-Time TCSIT State Academic Champions in High school
- 4-Time TCSIT State Academic Champions in Middle School
- 1-Time PSIA Middle School State Academic Champions

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- Eleven BCS students have been recognized as National Merit Scholars
- Fifty-seven BCS students have been recognized as National Merit Commended Students
- One National Achievement Scholar

2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR ACHIEVEMENTS

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

- TAPPS 4A State Academic Contest Champions
- TAPPS 4A State Academics Runner Up
- Voted Best Private School and Private PreSchool in Austin – Austin American Statesman
- Voted Favorite Private School in Austin – Austin Family Magazine
- Recognized as one of the top private schools in Austin through Niche.com

TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF PRIVATE AND PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS 4A (9TH-12TH GRADE)

- The majority of our high school athletic teams advanced to the playoffs
- Boys Track and Field - 4th in District, Qualified for State
- Girls Track and Field - 2nd in District, Qualified for State, 3 Individual relays placed 2nd, 5th, and 4th in State
- Boys Cross Country - 11th In State
- Girls Cross Country - 7th in State, 1 Student earned 1st in State and received All State Status as a Top 10 runner in the field, 2 Students awarded all State for being Top 15 and qualifying based on Academic Record of Excellence
- Lady Bellas Drill Team - 1st Place in 5A State with superior ratings for all dance routines, 2 Students earned 1st Team All State, 1 Student earned 2nd Team All State, and 1 Student earned Honorable Mention All State
- Girls Volleyball - 2nd in State, Back to Back District Champions, Area Playoff Champions
- Boys Swimming - 3rd in State 11 Individual and 3 Relay events qualified for State, Regional Champion
- Girls Swimming - 4 individual and 2 relay events qualified for State, 3rd in Region
- Boys Basketball - State Finalist, District Champions, Regional Champions
- Girls Baksetball - Advanced to Area Playoffs
- Baseball - District Champions

CAPITAL AREA PRIVATE AND PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS (CAPPS) (5TH-8TH GRADE)

- Basketball- 5th-6th 6A won the Championship
- Boys Basketball - 7th-8th 6A advanced to Semifinals, 7th-8th 4A advanced to the Championship
- Girls Basketball - 7th-8th 6A advanced to Semifinals, 7th-8th 4A advanced to the Championship
- Soccer - 7th-8th 4A team qualified for Championship

TAPPS BAND

- 3rd in State Overall
- Field Band - 2nd in State
- Superior Rating: Jazz Band, Sightreading, 11 Solos, 6 Ensembles

TAPPS CHOIR

- 4th in State Overall
- Superior Rating: 8 Solo, 2 Ensembles

TAPPS THEATER

- Once Act Play placed 6th in State
- District Champions
- 1 State All Star Cast
- 1 State All Star Crew
- 1 State Honorable Mention Cast
- 1 District Best Actor
- 2 District All Star Cast
- 2 District Honorable Mention Cast
- 1 District All Star Crew

TAPPS ART

- Relief: 1st & 8th in State
- Seek and Sketch: 6th in State
- Short Film Animation: 1st, 4th, & 7th in State
- Communication Design: 6th in State
- Black and White Photography: 6th in State
- Color Photography: 4th in State

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QUICK FACTS

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.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE OVER THE PAST 15 YEARS

8X TAPPS STATE ACADEMIC CHAMPIONS ★ **5X** TCSIT STATE HS ACADEMIC CHAMPIONS ★ **4X** TCSIT STATE MS ACADEMIC CHAMPIONS

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE OVER THE PAST 5 YEARS

EXTRACURRICULAR PARTICIPATION



5 YEAR SAT AVERAGES



THE AVERAGE SAT SCORES FOR GRADUATES WAS 607 ON ERW AND 597 ON MATH FOR A TOTAL OF 1204, SIGNIFICANTLY ABOVE THE LOCAL, STATE, AND NATIONAL AVERAGES.

100%

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE RATE

$5,459,583

Average Per Year

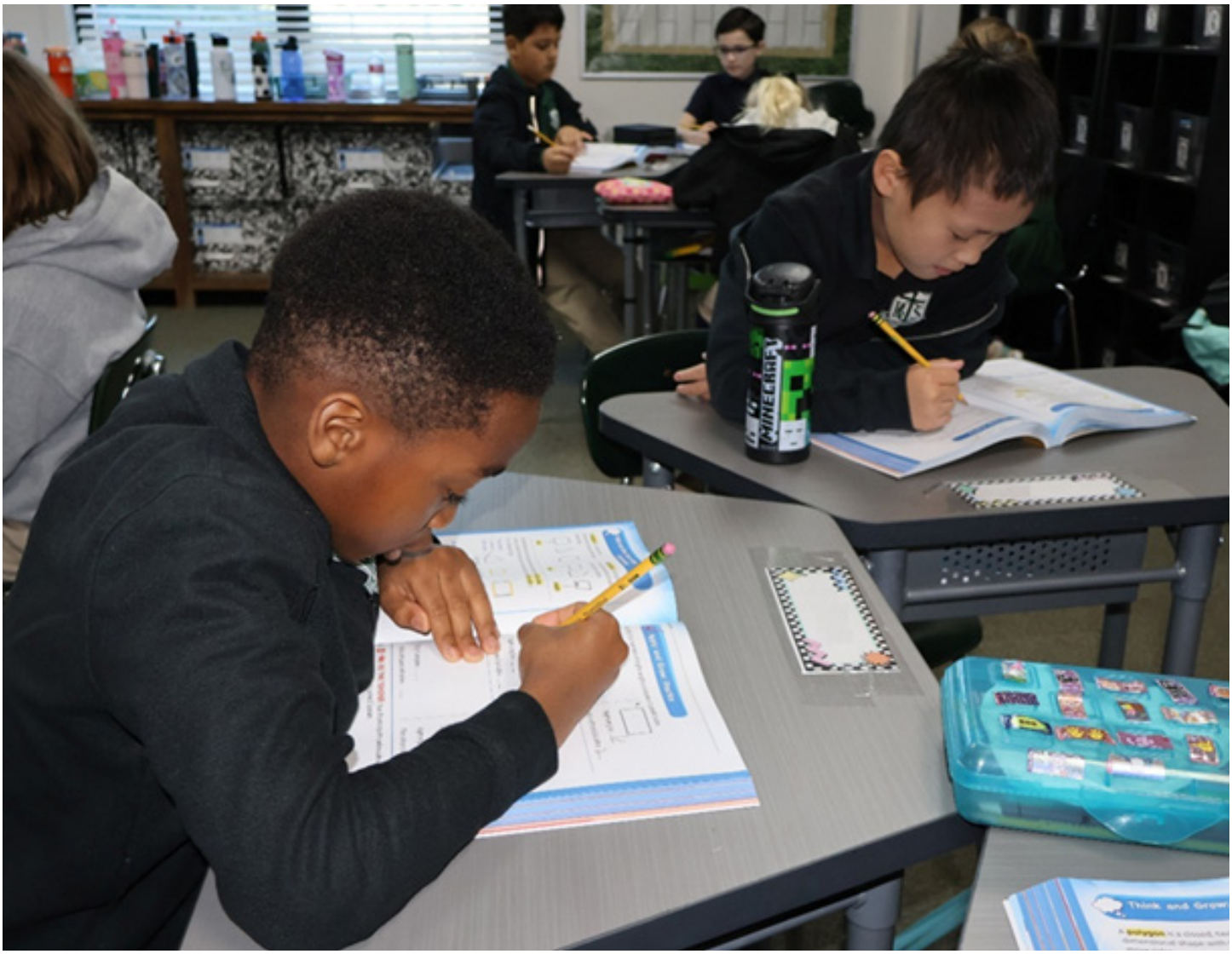
IN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO THE LAST FIVE GRADUATING CLASSES WITH AN AVERAGE OF 60 STUDENTS PER YEAR

CELEBRATING SUCCESS OVER THE PAST 5 YEARS

HENDERSON CUP WINNER - 2024, 2023
TAPPS STATE ACADEMIC CHAMPIONS - 2023, 2022, 2021
TAPPS STATE ACADEMIC CONTEST CHAMPIONS - 2024
VOTED BEST PRIVATE SCHOOL IN AUSTIN - AUSTIN AMERICAN STATESMAN - 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021
VOTED BEST PRIVATE PRESCHOOL IN AUSTIN - AUSTIN AMERICAN STATESMAN - 2025, 2023, 2022
VOTED FAVORITE PRIVATE SCHOOL IN AUSTIN - AUSTIN FAMILY MAGAZINE - 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021
RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE TOP PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN AUSTIN THROUGH NICHE.COM - 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021

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ELEMENTARY CURRICULUM OVERVIEW



Serving students at the foundational level of their education, we are privileged to help them in their development from preschool, where they are embarking on their educational journey, to fifth grade, where they are preparing to burst into middle school. It is during the elementary years that children experience the most growth—academically, physically, emotionally, and spiritually. The elementary program at Brentwood Christian School provides the ideal setting for this growth to occur.

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ELEMENTARY CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Lower Elementary School

Early Learning 3/4

Daily
Thematic Studies
Handwriting
Bible
Recess

Weekly/Other
Physical Education
Library
Chapel
Music
Art

Kindergarten

Daily
Math
Science
Bible
Social Studies
Language Arts
Handwriting
Physical Education
Recess

Weekly/Other
Computer
Library
Chapel
Music
Art

1st Grade

Daily
Math
Science
Bible
Social Studies
Language Arts
Physical Education
Recess

Weekly/Other
Computer
Library
Chapel
Music
Art

2nd Grade

Daily
Math
Science
Bible
Social Studies
Language Arts
Physical Education
Recess

Weekly/Other
Computer
Library
Chapel
Music
Art

Upper Elementary School

3rd Grade

Daily
Math
Science
Bible
Social Studies
Language Arts
Cursive Writing
Physical Education
Recess

Weekly/Other
Computer
Library
Chapel
Music
Art

4th Grade

Daily
Math
Science
Bible
Social Studies
Language Arts
*Physical Education/Cub Club
Recess

Weekly/Other
Computer
Library
Chapel
Choir
Art

5th Grade

Daily
Math
Science
Bible
Social Studies
Language Arts
*Physical Education/Cub Club
Recess

Weekly/Other
Computer
Library
Chapel
Band or Orchestra
Choir

Elective Options:
5th grade students may choose an introduction to band or orchestra. 4th and 5th grade students can choose either physical education class or Cub Club (intramural sports program) offering coed soccer, boys flag football, girls volleyball, or coed basketball.

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SECONDARY CURRICULUM OVERVIEW



Students at Brentwood Christian School have spiritual and academic goals, are articulate speakers, know that they want to pursue higher education and what schools they want to attend, and they are doing all of this while participating in many athletic, academic, and fine arts extra-curricular activities. At BCS all our commitments begin with a focus on Christian education that include the family, the church, and the school working together to create students who love God. As we work together, our goal is for our students to develop strong Christian values and have a deeper relationship with God.

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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.

Our Goals:

Development of Christian Faith and Conduct: Students should learn to integrate Christian beliefs and principles into all areas of life and to base their conduct on faith in God.

- Students will study the Bible as the canon of Christian faith and learn to appreciate the heritage of God's people throughout the ages.
- Students will participate in group activities designed to develop cooperative attitudes and skills, deferring to others' strengths, contributing their own strengths, and encouraging each other in areas of weakness.
- Students will be helped to recognize their limitations without developing a sense of failure, to overcome them where possible, and to recognize their strengths without developing arrogance.
- Students will develop a confident and secure sense of personal worth as children of God, regardless of their appearance, ability, or achievement.
- Students will treat others as valuable, regardless of their physical, social, economic, ethnic, or racial characteristics, or their performance, recognizing they are all children of God intended to live and work together.
- Students will be disciplined for misbehavior in a way that recognizes them as children of God and encourages the development of self-discipline.
- Students will be encouraged to love God and to submit their lives to Christ.
- Students will learn to respect and care for their minds and bodies as God's creation.
- Students will learn to recognize their daily decisions as the arena of Christian faith and will be encouraged to apply godly wisdom in making choices.

BCS Faculty

Average experience: 13 years
10 Faculty members awarded Texas Christian Schools Association *Teacher of the Year*
3 Faculty members awarded Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools *Fine Arts Teacher of the Year*
4 Administration and Faculty members awarded National Christian School Association *Educator of the Year*

2025 Graduating Class

Class size: 68 students
Value of scholarships offered: $6,237,156
Applied and accepted by colleges/universities: 100%
Average SAT score: 1146, Average ACT Score: 23.3

Accreditation

National Christian School Association
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)

BCS Commended Scholars

12 National Merit Scholars
1 National Achievement Scholar
57 National Merit Commended Students

2025-26 Student Body Enrollment ~ 650

EL 3/4 – Grade 5 ~ 256
6th – 8th ~ 149
9th – 12th ~ 245

Athletic Program

- Year-Round Athletic Program
- Middle school teams play in the Capital Area Private and Parochial School League (CAPPS)
- High school students compete in the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS)

Sports Available

Volleyball (HS & MS girls)
Softball (HS girls)
Football (HS & MS boys)
Baseball (HS boys)
Basketball
Cross Country
Soccer
Swim
Track & Field
Golf (HS only)
Cheerleading (HS & MS girls)
Drill Team (HS & MS girls)

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SECONDARY CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Middle School

6th Grade
English/Reading
Math or Advanced Math
Science
History
Bible
Physical Education/Athletics
Study Hall

7th Grade
English
Math or Pre-Algebra
Life Science
Texas History/World Geography
Bible
Physical Education/Athletics
Study Hall

8th Grade
English
Pre-Algebra or Algebra I Honors
Integrated Physics & Chemistry
American History
Bible
Physical Education/Athletics
Study Hall

Elective Options:
MS Journalism, MS Book Club, Art 6, MS Art*, Band 6, MS Band*, Choir 6, MS Choir*, MS Orchestra, Drum Line 6, MS Drum Line*, Intro to Theatre 6, MS Drama 1*, MS Drama 2*, MS Spanish*, HS Spanish I*, MS Competitive Math, MS Speech*, MS Computer 1, MS Computer 2*, MS Computer 3*, MS Study Hall, Study Skills (AM) Study Hall, Skills & Service, MS Career Pathways*, Class/Office Aide*, MS Cheerleading, MS Drill Team

High School

Three Graduation Plans Available: *Standard* requiring 26 credits; *Advanced/Honors and Distinguished Scholar* requiring 28 credits.

Freshman Year
English I or Pre-AP English I (1)
Algebra I or Geometry Honors (1)
Biology or Biology Honors (1)
Spanish I or Spanish II (1)
Bible (0.5)
Physical Education/Athletics/OCPE (1)
0 – 1 Fine Arts credit as needed
0 – 1 Elective credit as needed

Sophomore Year
English II or Pre-AP English II (1)
Geometry or Algebra II Honors (1)
Chemistry or Chemistry Honors (1)
World History or World History Honors (1)
Spanish II or Spanish III Honors (1)
Bible (0.5)
Physical Education/Athletics/OCPE (1)
0 – 1 Fine Arts credit as needed
0 – 1 Elective credit as needed

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

Senior Year
English IV or AP English IV (1)
Pre-Calculus, AP Calculus
or Quantitative Reasoning (1)
Physics, AP Physics or A&P (1)
Humanities Capstone
or Humanities Capstone Honors (1)
US Government
or AP US Government (0.5)
Economics (0.5)
Bible (0.5)
Athletics/OCPE - optional (0-1)
0 – 1 Fine Arts credit as needed
0 – 1 Elective credit as needed

Elective Options (Credits vary by class)

Art I
Art II*
Advanced Art*
Advanced Art Honors*
Theatre I
Advanced Theatre & Tech*
Advanced Theatre Honors*
Theatre Production
Band
Band Honors*
Drum Line
Jazz Band
Choir
Encore Honors*
Music History
Aide (Class/Library/Office)
Applied Arts & Mechanics
Bible Foundations
Book Club
Cheerleading
Communication Applications (Speech)
Competitive Math
Creative Writing
Debate
Drill Team
Engineering Honors*
Entrepreneurship 101
Entrepreneurship 201*
Graphic Design*
Journalism - Newspaper
Journalism - Yearbook
Personal Finance*
Photography*
SAT Test Prep*
Spanish III (Honors)*
Study Hall

Dual Credit Electives:
Bible (OCU)*
Engineering (UT Austin)*

**Class level specific—see course descriptions*

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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