



Christian Heritage Classical School

Academic Profile 2024 - 2025

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MISSION

Christian Heritage Classical School exists to partner with the home to provide excellent Christ-centered, classical education to develop biblical reasoning and a desire in each student to savor God and serve his fellow man.

SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

Established in 1994, Christian Heritage Classical School is a K4-12, inter-denominational, college preparatory, independent day school with a rigorous curriculum and a selective admissions process. Christian Heritage values parent involvement and students serving in the community. CHCS is committed to pursuing the discipline of critical thinking, a lifelong love of learning, and an understanding of God's unique calling on the lives of our students. CHCS values the need to cultivate leadership skills so that our students can make a difference in the world.

CURRICULAR DISTINCTIVE

Christian Heritage is a Christian classical school employing the centuries-proven methodology known as the *Trivium* -- Grammar, Logic, and Rhetoric. Students begin studying Latin in 3rd grade. At the high school level, our humanities program focuses on an intensive study of the great writings, people, works, events, and ideas that have formed and reformed civilization as we know it. Emphasis is placed upon reading, writing, speaking, and critical-thinking skills. All students participate in Socratic debates of moral, philosophical, political, and theological nature. A primary goal at Christian Heritage is to develop well-rounded students who are equipped with skills that will enable them to be articulate, discerning, and effective members of their communities.

LITERATURE

The Epic of Gilgamesh, The Oresteia, The Odyssey, Plato's Dialogues, Julius Caesar, The Aeneid, Meditations, Confessions, Sir Gawain and the Green Knight, Beowulf, The Consolation of Philosophy, Dante's Inferno, The Prince, Utopia, Macbeth, The Screwtape Letters, Frankenstein, The Lord of the Flies, Night, The Problem of Pain, The Hiding Place, Anthem, 1984, The Importance of Being Earnest, The Scarlet Letter, A Tale of Two Cities, Death of a Salesman, Crime and Punishment, Hamlet, Fathers and Sons, The Iliad

MATH AND SCIENCE

The math and science curriculum at Christian Heritage provides students a rigorous course of study and the opportunity to complete AP-level coursework during their senior year. We use an inquiry approach and a variety of laboratory experiences to develop problem-solving skills. Our students are prepared for an easy transition to demanding engineering, pre-medical, computer science, and other math and science fields of study in college.

FINE ARTS

Fine Arts is a core discipline at Christian Heritage, giving students the opportunity to study the arts from Grammar School through Rhetoric. The role of the fine arts program is to encourage students to explore, discover, and develop their God-given abilities with excellence in the musical, theatrical, and visual arts in order to glorify their Creator and influence their world for Christ. Students have multiple opportunities to perform throughout the year.

ACCREDITATION

Christian Heritage Classical School is accredited through Cognia(formerly AdvanceED).

SENIOR THESIS

The writing of a Senior Thesis is the culmination of the entire Christian, classical educational experience. The student will investigate and offer solutions to a contemporary problem of national, global, or eternal significance. Through multidisciplinary research, persuasive argument, and a Christian worldview, the student will write a 20-page research paper, present for 30 minutes, and defend his or her thesis for 15 minutes in front of a live audience at the end of his or her senior year.

SAMPLE TITLES: *American Infrastructure: A Crumbling System with Catastrophic Consequences, A Cultural Crisis: The Struggle for Women's Rights in the Middle East, The Future of Transportation-Why Synthetic Fuel is the Best Alternative for a Sustainable Future*

CLASS RANK

Christian Heritage chooses not to rank our students because of our selective admissions policy, our small class sizes, and our rigorous curriculum. Ranking does not provide a true distinction between the high overall performance of all our talented students.

GPA COMPUTATION

Grades are calculated on a 4.0 scale. Transcript grades are not weighted. Weighting is used only for the determination of valedictorian and salutatorian after the first semester of the senior year. AP and Honors courses are designated on the transcript.

GRADING

A - 4.0 (90-100)

B - 3.0 (80-89)

C - 2.0 (70-79)

Below 70 is failing.

MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

COURSE	CREDITS
English	4
Mathematics	4
Science	4
History	4
Government	.5
Economics	.5
Rhetoric/Speech/Thesis	2.5
Foreign Language	3
Physical Education	1
Fine Arts	2
Bible	2.5

- Christian Heritage graduates meet the Distinguished Achievement Program.
- Accreditation: AdvancEd/Cognia

STUDENT BODY

K4-12: 315

Rhetoric School (9-12): 69

Teacher/Student Ratio: 12:1

Because Christian Heritage's curriculum requires more in-depth study than the Advanced Placement courses available in similar subjects, AP Courses are offered on a very limited basis.

HONORS CLASSES

Chemistry

Geometry

Algebra I and II

PreCalculus

English I

English II

Biology

World History I, II, III

Senior Honors Speech/Thesis

Spanish II and III

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

CLASSES

Calculus

Chemistry

English Literature

and Composition

English Language

and Composition

Physics

CLASS of 2023 SAT SCORES

Mean: 1170

EBR & W: 593

Math: 577

CLASS of 2023 Top 50% SAT SCORES

Mean: 1318

EBR & W: 650

Math: 668

NOTEWORTHY

- 100% of students taking both Calculus and Chemistry AP exams received a 3 or better
- 100% of our students are accepted into a four-year university.

CALENDAR

36 weeks, 2 semesters, 4 quarter grading periods, eight 45 minute rotating class periods, one credit classes meet 5 days per week, .5 credit classes meet one semester.

RECENT COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Abilene Christian University

Baylor University

Colorado School of Mines

Dallas Baptist University

Mississippi College

East Texas Baptist

Georgia Inst. of Technology

Harding University

Hillsdale College

John Brown University

LeTourneau University

Liberty University

Louisiana Tech University

Ouachita Baptist University

Southern Methodist University

Texas A&M University

Texas Tech University

University of Arkansas

University of Dallas

University of Oklahoma

Oklahoma State University

University of Mississippi

University of North Texas

University of Texas at Austin

University of Tulsa

Wakeforest University