

# Clearwater Central Catholic High School

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### SCHOOL PROFILE 2019-2020

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#### MISSION

Clearwater Central Catholic High School, a college-preparatory school in the Diocese of St. Petersburg, is committed to educating the whole person with "minds for truth, hearts for love, and hands for service." Our unique academic and extensive co-curricular and student centered program inspires each person to develop his or her spiritual, intellectual, moral, physical, and creative potential and to respect the diversity among them and in the world beyond. We further challenge our students to intentionally pursue social justice and live in service to others for the betterment of society.

#### VISION

True to our founding mission and enriched by our shared core values, Clearwater Central Catholic High School, a community of faith and life-long learners, aspires to develop faith-filled leaders who embody respect in themselves and for others, who value service as a gospel calling, and who are inspired to excellence in all endeavors transformed for life's journey.

### **CORE VALUES**

Living Faith Embodying Respect Valuing Service Inspiring Excellence

#### GRADUATE PROFILE

Our CCC Graduate Profile guides our educational program incorporating our Catholic identity based on our core values, and the IB educational framework to teaching and learning. This approach provides the "possibility and opportunity" for our students to become:

Balanced
 Reflective
 Communicative
 Principled
 Open-Minded
 Caring
 Inquirers
 Knowledgeable
 Risk-Takers
 Thinkers

# SCHOOL

Founded in 1962, Clearwater Central Catholic High School (CCC) is a college-preparatory and International Baccalaureate (IB) School incorporated within the Diocese of St. Petersburg, Florida, with an enrollment of about 560 students in Grades 9 - 12. It is accredited by the **AdvancED** and holds membership in the **National Association for College Admission Counseling**.

#### **CURRICULUM**

The academic program is organized on a rotating schedule, with a seven-period day, and each period is 48 minutes. Students are required to take seven credits each year. Courses are primarily designed for students enrolled in a **college preparatory** program. **Academic Placement** is a decision for student placement made by the administration in consultation with department chair and teachers. This decision is based on prerequisites, teacher and department chair recommendations, standardized scores, previous courses, four-year plan sequencing or other exceptional circumstances. **Honors courses** are designed to meet the needs of students who have mastered average achievement skills related to those subject areas and compared to national norms. **Dual Enrollment courses** are offered in a partnership between Clearwater Central Catholic High School and St. Petersburg College providing students the opportunity to take courses on CCC's campus and simultaneously earn college credit. **Advanced Placement (AP) Program** courses are offered in many of the college preparatory disciplines. Successful performance on the examination may result in college credit. The **International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program** is a rigorous two-year curriculum that leads to a qualification that is widely recognized by the world's leading universities. The following options are available for Juniors and Seniors taking IB courses:

- 1. **Full IB Diploma Program (DP) enrollment** for students on track to earn the IB Diploma with up to 45 potential college credits and guaranteed award of the full Bright Futures scholarship upon receiving the Diploma
- 2. **DP certificate enrollment** for students taking one or more IB courses willing to earn an IB certificate for each course, and potential college credit, but not the full Diploma
- 3. **DP course enrollment** for students to gain the benefit of the IB course and preparation for college without taking all the IB external assessments

#### IB EDUCATIONAL FRAMEWORK

The IB educational approach is focused on students developing lifelong-learning skills and confidence to be excited about growing. All courses at CCC aim to foster the following five learning skills:

### 1. Thinking 2. Research 3. Communication 4. Social 5. Self-Management

All courses have the following six pedagogical elements: (1) teaching through inquiry, (2) teaching through concepts, (3) teaching developed in local and global contexts, (4) teaching focused on effective teamwork and collaboration, (5) teaching differentiated to meet the needs of all learners, and (6) teaching informed by assessment.

## GRADING SYSTEM

Letter grades have the numerical equivalents below, and courses given a letter grade are assigned the corresponding quality point values.

Letter Grade	Percentage Average	DP IB Reference	Proficiency Level	Quality Points
		Scale		
A	90-100	5-7	Exemplary	4.0
В	80-89	4	Proficient	3.0
C	70-79	3	Basic	2.0
D	60-69	2	Below Basic	1.0
F	50-59	1	No Evidence	0.0

### **GPA CALCULATION**

Unweighted GPA is computed using the above quality points. Grades are computed on a 4.0 scale. Credit is awarded on a semester basis. The minimum passing grade is 60. A pass grade (P) has been awarded when students have completed the course and have earned the credit but the grade is not included into the GPA. An incomplete grade (I) has been awarded to students who did not earn/complete the credit and the grade does not affect their GPA nor penalize the student.

Weighted GPA includes the additional quality points. Dual Enrollment, AP and IB classes are awarded an additional 1.0 quality point. Honors courses are awarded an additional 0.5 quality point. Weighting is awarded when students earn a C or higher No additional weight is included when students earn a D or F in Honors, Dual Enrollment, AP or IB courses.

#### **RANK**

CCC does not publish students' rank in class.

# CCCHS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CLASSES OF 2019-2022

A minimum of 28 credits is required for graduation, or students must complete the full IB Diploma curriculum. In addition, each student must complete a 100-hour community service graduation requirement.

	Minimum Graduation	
	Requirement	
Subject Area	Credit/Year	Specific Requirements
English	4 credits/4 years	One year long course per year.
Fine Arts	1 credit/ 2 semesters	
Mathematics	4 credits/4 years	One year long course per year.
Physical Education	1 credit/ 2 semesters	0.5 credit – Personal Fitness 0.5 credit – Team Sports and/or Athletic Season Students may earn a maximum of 2 P.E. credits toward required 28 credits.
Science	4 credits/4 years	One-year long course per year through senior year
Social Studies	4 credits/4 years	One-year long course per year, except for Economics and American Government their senior year.
Theology	4 credits/4 years	Two semester courses per year.
World Language	2 credits/2 years	Two years of the same foreign language are required.
Electives	4 credits	
Total:	28 credits/4 years	

# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE ON THE SAT

	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Number of students taking test/total class size	145/150	126/130
Mean Score - Evidence Based Reading/Writing	578	593
Mean Score - Math	557	572
Mean Score - Total	1135	1165

# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE ON THE ACT

	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Number of students taking test/total class size	114/150	87/130
Mean Score - English	23.7	25.0
Mean Score - Math	22.2	22.8
Mean Score - Reading	24.2	25.2
Mean Score - Science Reasoning	22.5	23.3
Mean Score - Total	23.2	24.3

# INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM – 2019-2021

	Students in Full Diploma	% of Class in Full	Students in one or more IB
	Program	Diploma	courses
Class of 2019	62	48%	80 (62% of class)
Class of 2020	61	44%	118 (85% of class)
Class of 2021	66	47%	140 (100% of class)

Overall Historical IB Diploma award rate	65%
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### **COURSE OFFERINGS**

**College Preparatory courses:** 

English 1

English 2

English 4

English Lab 1

English Lab - ESOL

Journalism

Yearbook 1

Spanish 1

**Economics** 

Law Studies

Psychology

**United States Government** 

**United States History** 

World History

**Biology** 

Chemistry

Physical Science

**Physics** 

Algebra 1

Geometry

Math Lab

Ceramics Wheel/Ceramics Hand Building

Introduction to Drama/IB MYP Drama

Speech and Debate

Stagecraft

Learning Strategies 1-2

9-Catholic Foundations/ Revelation of Jesus Christ in

Scripture

10-Who is Jesus Christ?/The Mission of Jesus Christ 11-Jesus Christ's Mission Continues in the Church/

Sacraments as Privileged Encounters with Jesus Christ

12-Life in Jesus Christ/ Living as a Disciple of Jesus

Christ in Society

**Honors courses:** 

**English 1 Honors** 

English 2 Honors

Journalism 2 Honors

Journalism 3 Honors

Yearbook 2 Honors

Yearbook 3 Honors

Spanish 2 Honors

Spanish 3 Honors

**United States History Honors** 

**World History Honors** 

**Biology Honors** 

**Chemistry Honors** 

Marine Science Honors

Algebra 1 Honors

Algebra 2 Honors

**Geometry Honors** 

Mathematical Analysis Honors

**Pre-Calculus Honors** 

**Probability and Statistics Honors** 

Portfolio 1 Honors

Portfolio 2 Honors

Theatre 2 Honors

Theatre 3 Honors

#### **AP** courses:

AP English Literature and Composition

AP Calculus AB

AP Human Geography

AP US Government

**AP US History** 

#### **IB** courses:

IB Approaches to Learning

IB English Language and Literature SL, HL

IB English Literature HL

IB Mandarin ab initio SL

IB Spanish ab initio SL

IB Spanish B SL/HL

IB Business and Management HL/SL

IB History of Americas/IB Contemporary History HL

IB World Religions SL

IB Biology SL, HL

IB Chemistry SL

IB Computer Science SL, HL

IB Design Technology SL, HL

IB Environmental Systems and Societies SL

IB Marine Science SL

IB Physics SL/HL

IB Math Analysis and Approaches SL, HL

IB Math Applications and Interpretation SL, HL

IB Math Studies/IB Statistics & Intro Diff Calculus SL

IB Pre-Calculus/IB Calculus & Descriptive Statistics SL

IB Music SL, HL

IB Theatre SL, HL

IB Visual Arts SL, HL

IB Theory of Knowledge

### **COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES FROM 2016-2019**

Adelphi University
American University
Arizona State University
Auburn University
Ave Maria University
Baker University
Barry University
Bates College

Belmont Abbey College

Berry College

Bishop's University, Canada

Boston College
Boston Conservatory
Boston University
Brown University
Bucknell University
Butler University

Cambrian College, Canada Carnegie Mellon University Case Western Reserve University

Clemson University

Coastal Carolina University

Colgate University
College of Charleston
College of the Holy Cross
College of William and Mary
Columbia College Chicago
Columbia University
Concordia University

Cornell University Davidson College Drexel University Duke University Eckerd College

Edinburgh Napier University

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Emerson College Emmanuel College Emory University Fairfield University Fairmont State University

Flagler College

Florida A&M University
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Community College
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida Institute of Technology
Florida International University
Florida Polytechnic University
Florida Southern College
Florida State University

Fordham University of Staubonville

Franciscan University of Steubenville Furman University Georgetown University George Washington University Georgia Institute of Technology

Harvard University Hawaii Pacific University High Point University Hunter College of the CUNY International Academy of Design &

Technology Jacksonville University John Cabot University John Carroll University Johns Hopkins University

King's College Lehigh University Long Island University Louisiana State University Loyola University- Chicago Loyola University-New Orleans

Johnson & Wales University

Luther College Lynn University Marquette University Marshall University

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Massachusetts Maritime Academy

McGill University Mercer University Miami University Michigan State Uni

Michigan State University Mississippi State University Mount Saint Mary's University

Mount Union College New College of Florida Newberry College New York University

North Carolina State University

Northeastern University
Northwestern University
Nova Southeastern University
Oxford College of Emory University
Palm Beach Atlantic University

Pennsylvania State University Pepperdine University Princeton University Providence College Purdue University

Queens College of the CUNY

Quincy University Rice University

Ringling College of Art and Design

Robert Morris University

Rochester Institute of Technology

Rollins College Rutgers University Saint Francis University Saint Vincent College Santa Fe Community College Savannah College of Art and Design Southeastern Louisiana University Southern Methodist University

St. John's University
St. Petersburg College
St. Lawrence College
St. Lawrence University
St. Leo University

Stanford University
Stetson University
Stonehill College
Suffolk University
Swarthmore University
Syracuse University

Tallahassee Community College

Temple University

The Catholic University of America
The Culinary Institute of America
The Ohio State University
The University of Alabama
The University of Tampa

United States Air Force Academy
United States Coast Guard Academy
United States Military Academy
United States Naval Academy
University of California at Berkeley
University of California at Davis
University of California at Los Angeles

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Wake Forest University
Wellesley College
West Virginia University
Wingate University

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