



CISTERCIAN PREPARATORY SCHOOL

2018-19 SCHOOL PROFILE

QUICK FACTS

ENROLLMENT

Total Students	352
Zip codes represented	63
Receive financial assistance	20%
Students of color	33%
Forms I-IV	175
Forms V-VIII	177
Class of 2018	42

FACULTY

Faculty members	54
Master's degrees	78%
Doctorates	11%
Cistercian monks	28%
Student to Faculty ratio	7:1
Average tenure	13 years
Accreditation	ISAS

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- Fully independent curriculum
- All honors, single-track core
- Various course texts written in-house
- No AP or College Board courses offered

OUTCOMES

Attend 4-year colleges	100%
In-state colleges	43%
Out-of-state colleges	55%
International Colleges	2%
Service hours required	0
Avg. service hours per class	8,200

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HISTORY

Dating back to their 11th century foundation, Cistercians have ever sought simplicity, balancing lives of prayer and work with the poverty of Christ, attempting to recover in every era the fervor of the early apostolic Christian community. In the 18th century, The Abbey of Zirc, Hungary combined their regular monastic life with the formal education of young men in secondary schools. 180 years later, when the communist regime in Hungary suppressed religious orders there, the Abbey's five schools were driven into exile. The monastery was shut down; some of its monks were imprisoned, others fled the country in pursuit of freedom. A remnant landed in Irving, Texas.



VISION

Believing that the search for God is the purpose of every human life, the Cistercians who came to Texas built a secondary school that would combine academic excellence with Christian faith, morality, and spirituality. As a Catholic preparatory school educating boys grades 5-12 in an all-honors curriculum, Cistercian continues to promote true human values and integrates every variety of learning into one's journey toward God.



FORMATION

Each entering Form enjoys the guidance of a single Form Master, typically a solemnly professed monk who ascends each of the eight years with his assigned cohort. He counsels and assists students in their intellectual, emotional, and spiritual growth, while creating a community and a sense of identity for his Form. With a long-term view of each student's development in mind, the Form Master, by his presence over time, allows the school to nurture a profound unity and consistency in the education of all its students.



ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Every student in the Upper School's single-track curriculum is required to complete the following:

<p>FORM V Honors Systematic Theology Honors Classical Lit Honors Geometry Honors World Civs and Cultures I Honors Biology Honors French/Spanish I 2 Electives (semester each)</p>	<p>FORM VI Honors Moral Theology Honors British Lit Honors Algebra II Honors World Civs and Cultures II Honors Chemistry Honors French/Spanish II 2 Electives (semester each)</p>	<p>FORM VII Honors Church History Honors American Lit Honors Precalc-Trig Honors US History Honors Physics Honors French/Spanish III 2 Electives (semester each)</p>	<p>FORM VIII Honors World Religions Honors World Lit Honors Calculus Honors US Govt Honors Bio/Chem/Phys Honors Senior Seminar</p>
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WELL-FORMED
 THE INTENSITY OF
 PACE, DEPTH, AND BREADTH
 IN OUR COMPULSORY CURRICULUM
CHALLENGES
EVERY
 CISTERCIAN STUDENT
 TO GROW BEYOND
 HIS INNATE STRENGTHS



SENIOR YEAR

SENIOR SEMINAR

Every Cistercian senior selects a topical area in which to participate in a small-group, year-long seminar that:

- Encourages inquiry, reflection, and discussion
- Advances one's original, independent research in a given field
- Culminates in a paper, project, presentation or performance
- Affords a student individual academic mentorship

PROJECT EXAMPLES

- A Look into the Replicative and Chronological Lifespan of Saccharomyces Cerevisiae*
- History, Culture, & Techniques of Molecular Gastronomy (paper/presentation en Français)*
- Quantum Mechanics and Bell's Game (33 pg thesis)*
- The Road to Serfdom: Economic Planning and the Transition from Democracy to Despotism*
- From Crèche to Crucifixion: Two Tropes in Renaissance Painting*
- Columbia's FARC Treaty: Doomed to Fail (paper/presentation en Español)*
- A Mathematical Excursion into the Roman Arch (31 pg thesis)*
- Bacterial Diversity and Toxin Concentration in North TX lakes (incl. submarine construction)*
- Ray Tracing: CS and Math's Interface in Computer Graphics (24 pg thesis)*

DUAL ENROLLMENT

Seniors may earn college credit through the Dallas County Community College District in the following courses:

English	Physics	Chemistry
Biology	Calculus	US Government

RANKING

Cistercian does not rank its students.

GRADES

- Independent semester grades are recorded for each academic offering.
- Semester GPAs are calculated on a standard 4.00 scale by using the Carnegie credits recorded on the transcript.
- Grade points in Honors courses are increased by .60 to reflect their advanced pace and rigor.

HONOR ROLLS

Headmaster	unenanced 4.00 or highest GPA in class
Form Master	unenanced 3.50-3.99 GPA
Class	unenanced 3.00-3.49 GPA

UNENHANCED GPA SCALE

A	4.00	A-	3.75	B+	3.25
B	3.00	B-	2.75	C+	2.25
C	2.00	C-	1.75	D+	1.25
D	1.00	D-	0.75	F	0.00

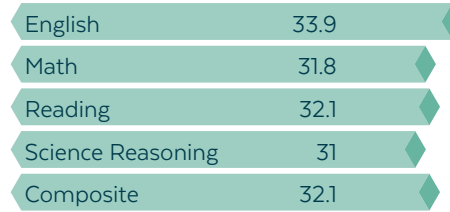
TESTING: CLASS OF 2018

MIDDLE 50%

MEAN

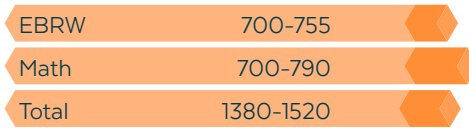
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76% of class testing



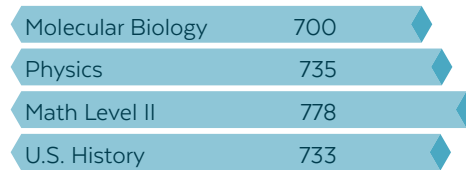
SAT

84% of class testing



SAT SUBJECT

at least 20% of class testing



NMSQT CLASS OF 2018



**32%
COMMENDED**

**11%
SEMIFINALIST**

**11%
FINALIST**

NMSQT 5-YEAR DATA



**33%
COMMENDED**

**16%
SEMIFINALIST**

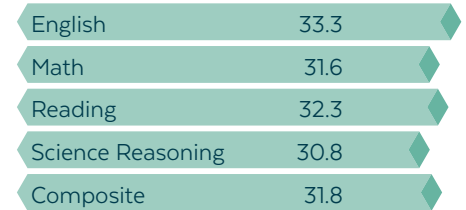
**16%
FINALIST**

TESTING: 5-YEAR DATA

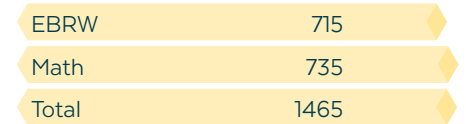
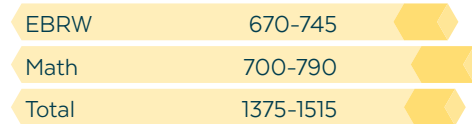
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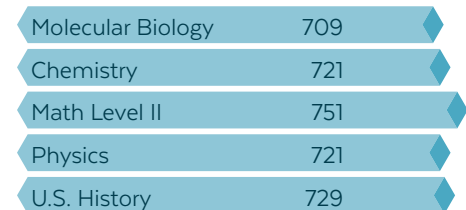
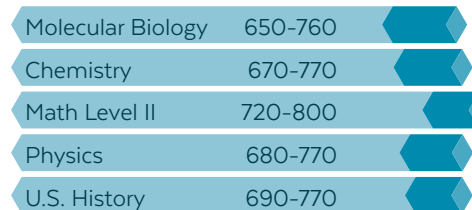
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NEW SAT



SAT SUBJECT*



*with at least 20% of students testing

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Cistercian does not offer any AP courses, but over the past five years, 176 of 212 Cistercian graduates independently prepared for and took at least one AP exam at some point during high school. 91% scored 3 or higher in 31 distinct subject areas.



COLLEGE ADMITS AND ATTENDANCE, 2015-2018

100% of Cistercian Preparatory School graduates attend a 4-year college.

- University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB)
- The University of Alabama
- American University
- Arizona State University
- University of Arkansas
- Auburn University
- Austin College
- Babson College
- Baylor University
- Benedictine College
- Boston College
- University of British Columbia
- Brown University
- Bucknell University
- Butler University
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of California, San Diego
- Carleton College
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Case Western Reserve University
- The Catholic University of America
- Chapman University
- University of Chicago
- University of Cincinnati
- The Citadel
- Clemson University
- Colgate University
- University of Colorado at Boulder
- Colorado School of Mines
- Colorado State University
- Columbia University
- University of Connecticut
- Cornell University
- Creighton University
- University of Dallas
- Dartmouth College
- Davidson College
- University of Dayton
- DePaul University
- DePauw University
- Dickinson College
- Drexel University
- Duke University
- Elon University
- Emerson College
- Emory & Henry College
- Emory University
- Emory University - Oxford College
- Fairfield University
- Fordham University
- Franciscan University of Steubenville
- Furman University
- George Mason University
- The George Washington University
- Georgetown University
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- University of Georgia
- Gonzaga University
- Harvard University
- High Point University
- Hillsdale College
- Hofstra University
- College of the Holy Cross
- University of Houston
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- Indiana University at Bloomington
- Ithaca College
- Johns Hopkins University
- Kalamazoo College
- Kansas State University
- University of Kansas
- University of Kentucky
- Kenyon College
- La Salle University
- Lafayette College
- Lake Forest College
- Lamar University
- Lehigh University
- Loyola Marymount University
- Loyola University Chicago
- Loyola University Maryland
- Loyola University New Orleans
- Macalester College
- Marist College
- University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
- University of Maryland, College Park
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- McGill University
- Miami University, Oxford
- University of Miami
- University of Michigan
- Millsaps College
- University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
- University of Mississippi
- University of Missouri Columbia
- New York University
- New York University, Shanghai
- The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- North Carolina State University
- University of North Texas
- Northeastern University
- Northwestern University
- University of Notre Dame
- Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences
- The Ohio State University
- Oklahoma State University
- The University of Oklahoma
- Olin College of Engineering
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Pittsburgh
- Pomona College
- Pratt Institute
- Princeton University
- Providence College
- Purdue University
- Purdue University
- Regis University
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Rhodes College
- Rice University
- University of Richmond
- Roanoke College
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- University of Rochester
- Saint John's University (MN)
- Saint Joseph's University
- Saint Louis University
- University of San Diego
- University of San Francisco
- Santa Clara University
- Sarah Lawrence College
- Seattle University
- Sewanee: The University of the South
- University of South Carolina
- University of Southern California
- Southern Methodist University
- Southwestern University
- Spring Hill College
- St. Edward's University
- St. John's University - Queens Campus
- St. Mary's University of San Antonio
- St. Olaf College
- Stanford University
- Stonehill College
- Texas A&M University
- Texas A&M University, Galveston
- Texas Christian University
- Texas State University
- Texas Tech University
- The University of Texas, Arlington
- The University of Texas, Austin
- The University of Texas, Dallas
- The University of Texas, San Antonio
- Trinity University
- Tulane University
- University of Tulsa
- United States Military Academy
- United States Naval Academy
- University of Glasgow
- University of St Andrews
- University of St. Thomas
- University of Utah
- Vanderbilt University
- Villanova University
- Virginia Tech
- University of Virginia
- Wake Forest University
- Washington and Lee University
- Washington University in St. Louis
- University of Washington
- Webster University
- Wentworth Institute of Technology
- Western University
- Whitman College
- College of William and Mary
- Williams College
- Xavier University
- Yale University

• Denotes colleges students have attended 2015-2018

