

THE SCHOOL

St. Francis High School, established in 1940, is a four-year, all-female college preparatory high school. It is the only Catholic high school in Sacramento affiliated with the Diocese of Sacramento and serves young women hailing from over fifty private and public feeder schools in the California counties of Sacramento, Yolo, El Dorado, and Placer.

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Francis High School is a Catholic diocesan college preparatory school dedicated to serving young women and their families who seek spiritual growth and academic excellence. We are committed to integrating faith with the learning process, promoting the gospel values of Jesus Christ, building community, and providing opportunities for worship. We strive to help each student develop her gifts and talents to become a model of Pax et Bonum (peace and goodness), through leadership and service.

ACCREDITATION

St. Francis is fully accredited by the Western Catholic Education Association (WCEA) and the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

SCHOOL FACTS

- + Enrollment: 1039 students
(253 Seniors)
- + Semester Calendar (18 weeks each)
- + Average Class Size: 25
- + Teacher-Student Ratio: 1:14
- + Religion:
 - ◆ 73% Catholic
 - ◆ 27% Other Faiths
- + Enrollment according to ethnicity:
 - ◆ 59.62% Caucasian
 - ◆ 40.38% Non-Caucasian: Asian, Black, Hispanic, Pacific Islander, Multi-Ethnic
- + Admission to St. Francis is selective and based on a placement test, previous school record and recommendation.
- + Faculty:
 - ◆ 65 Instructors
 - ◆ 7 Counselors
 - ◆ 62 hold advanced degrees and/or credentials

Community Service Requirement: The Class of 2015 is required to document a minimum of 75 hours of direct service to non-profit agencies over the 4 years of high school. 30 of the 75 required hours must be completed at one agency.

ACADEMICS

Class of 2015 Graduation Requirements

A minimum of 240 credits is required for graduation. Each semester of coursework earns 5 credits. Semester requirements are:

Theology	8	Physical Ed.	4
English	8	Mathematics	6
Fine Arts	2	Health	1
Social Studies	7	Science	6
World & Classical Language	4	Electives	2

Advanced Placement

English Lit & Comp.
Spanish 4
French 4
Chemistry
Biology
Calculus AB
Calculus BC
Art History
Studio Art
US History
World History*
Am. Gov't/Politics
Computer Science
*not available for the Class of 2015

Honors Courses

Great Books
American Literature
French 3
Spanish 3
Italian 4
Latin 4
Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Geometry
Algebra 2
Precalculus
US History
World History
Essentials of Music

St. Francis High School limits the number of honors/AP courses a student can take each year to three (3) through a selective application process. SFHS regards three (3) honors/AP classes per semester as a most rigorous course of study.

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Grading System

A-F letter grades
GPA points: A=4; B=3; C=2; D=1; F=0
Honors/AP Grades A-C: weighted 1 point.
PE, Sports, Academic Teams, and Student Intern are not calculated into the GPA.

Class of 2015 Grade Point Distribution

Weighted Deciles (from 8/11 to 8/14)			
1st: 4.49-4.28	6th: 3.68-3.56		
2nd: 4.24-4.13	7th: 3.55-3.38		
3rd: 4.12-3.95	8th: 3.36-3.05		
4th: 3.93-3.80	9th: 3.03-2.68		
5th: 3.79-3.70	10th: 2.67-2.14		

Weighted Mean GPA: 3.60

Class of 2014 SAT Results

Number of test-takers: 299

SAT Reasoning

	Cr.R	Math	Writ
SFHS Mean	573	550	583
CA Mean	498	510	496
National Mean*	496	514	488

*2013 numbers. 2014 not available

SAT Reasoning	Cr.R	Math	Writ
75th %	640	620	640
50th %	570	550	590
25th %	520	490	520

SAT Subject Test Scores

Subject	Mean
Math 2	631
Literature	673
Biology E/M	662/641
Chemistry	638
US History	611
World History	624
Spanish	559

Class of 2014 ACT Results

Number of test-takers: 220

Composite

SFHS Mean	25.3
CA Mean	22.3
National Mean	21.0

	English	Math	Reading	Science
SFHS	26.5	24.2	26.1	23.8
CA	21.8	22.8	22.3	21.7

PSAT & National Merit Program

The Class of 2015 qualified:

11 National Merit Commended Students

1 National Merit Semi-Finalist

3 National Hispanic Scholars

1 National Achievement Program Semi-Finalist

Advanced Placement Exams

361 Students took 540 exams in 2014.

Students enrolled in AP courses are required to take AP exams.

5...(69) 13%	2...(106) 20%
4...(143) 26%	1...(40) 7%
3...(182) 34%	

Post-Secondary Summary

Traditionally, 100% of the graduates begin college or a study abroad program the fall after graduation. One of the graduates is in Abroad Exchange Programs (<1%).

College Attendance for

Class of 2014	99%	(281)
Four-year Colleges	94%	(263)
• U. of California	11%	(33)
• California State U.	14%	(39)
• CA Independents	20%	(57)
• Out-of-State Independents	25%	(70)
• Public Out-of-State	22%	(62)
College Abroad	<1%	(2)
Military Academy	<1%	(2)
Two-year/Community Colleges	5%	(16)
Total number of students:	283	

Extracurricular & Co-Curricular Activities

Fine Arts

A large majority of the student body is enrolled in Fine Arts. Student performances and exhibits abound in visual and performing arts: choir, orchestra, theater, dance, drawing, painting, figure sculpting and digital photography. For many years, the SFHS Fine Arts program has annually received numerous nominations and regional awards.

Clubs and Academic Teams

Students can participate in 40 clubs and 8 academic teams.

Inter-Scholastic Athletics

12 sports; 26 levels

(Student Body Participation: 47%)

School Colors: Red and Gold

School Mascot: Troubadour

Section: CIF Sac Joaquin Division 1

League: Delta League

Teams and 2013-14 Achievements

Basketball: League-3rd, Section-T13th

Cross Country: League-1st, Section-2nd, State-9th

Golf: League-1st, Section-1st, Section Masters-3rd, Norcal-8th

Lacrosse: League-2nd, NCS-T9th

Soccer: League-2nd, Section-1st

Softball: League-4th

Swimming/Diving: League-1st, Section-3rd

Tennis: League-2nd, Section-T5th

Track: League-1st, Section-1st, State-21st

Volleyball: League-1st, Section-2nd, NorCal-2nd

Water Polo: League-2nd, Section-2nd

Post Secondary Attendance of Class of 2014 (Total 281)

California Colleges: 145 (52%)

California Independents: 57 (20%)

American Jewish University(1), Azusa Pacific(1), The Calif. Academy(1), Chapman(5), Dominican(2), Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising(1), Loyola Marymount(10), Pomona College(1), Saint Mary's(4), Santa Clara(6), UOP(5), USD(3), USF(9), USC(7), Westmont College(1).

California CSU: 39 (14%)

Chico(4), Dominguez Hills(1), East Bay(1), Fullerton(1), Humboldt(1), Maritime Academy(1), Monterey Bay(1), Northridge(1), Pomona(2), Sacramento(8), San Diego(3), San Francisco(1), San Jose(1), San Luis Obispo(10), Sonoma(3).

California UC: 33 (11%)

Berkeley(7), Davis(4), Irvine(2), San Diego(2), Los Angeles(2), Merced(3), Santa Barbara(7), Santa Cruz(6).

California Community Colleges: 16 (5%)

American River(3), College of the Redwoods(1), Folsom Lake(3), Sacramento City College(4), Santa Barbara City College(2), Sierra College(3).

4 Year Out-of-State: 132 (47%)

Out-of-State Independents: 70 (25%)

American U(1), Baldwin Wallace U(1), Bellarmine U(1), Belmont U(1), Biola U(2), Boston College(1), Creighton(1), Columbia U(1), Cornell(1), Dartmouth(1), DePaul(2), Emmanuel College(1), Franciscan U of Steubenville(1), Furman U(1), Georgetown(2), Gonzaga(5), Harvard(1), Hawaii Pacific U(1), Howard U(1), Lewis and Clark(1), Loyola Chicago U(2), Manhattan College(1), Marquette U(1), Marymount Manhattan College(1), NYU(2), Northeastern U(2), Northwest Nazarene U(1), Ohio Northern U(1), Regis U(3), Seattle U(1), Southern Methodist U(2), Texas Christian(8), The George Washington U(1), Tulane(1), U of Notre Dame(3), U of Portland(11), Vanderbilt(1), Wheeling Jesuit U(1).

Out-of-State Public: 62 (22%)

Arizona State U(2), Boise State(5), Central Arizona U(1), Colorado State-Fort Collins(1), Fort Lewis College(1), Georgia Southern U(1), Northern Arizona U(1), Oregon State U(2), Southern Oregon University(3), Texas A&M(1), U of Alabama(5), U of Arizona(6), U of Colorado-Boulder(1), U of Hawaii-Manoa(2), U of Idaho(1), U of Michigan(1), U of Mississippi(1), U of Montana(3), U of Nebraska-Lincoln(3), U of Nevada-Reno(10), U of Oregon(5), U of South Carolina(1), U of Utah(1), U of Virginia(1), U of Washington(2), Washington State(1).

Academies

Naval Academy: 2 (<1%)

Out of Country: 2 (<1%)

Kings College, London

Abroad Exchange Program: 1 (<1%)