

A Community of Faith, Excellence, Leadership and Service 2020-2021

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THE SCHOOL: St. Francis Catholic 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 more than one hundred private and public feeder schools in the California counties of Sacramento, Yolo, El Dorado, Placer, Yuba and Solano.

MISSION STATEMENT: St. Francis Catholic High School is a diocesan college preparatory school dedicated to serving young women and their families who seek a community of faith, excellence, leadership, and service, grounded in the teachings of Jesus Christ. In the spirit and charism of Saints Francis and Clare of Assisi, we form students who share their gifts and talents as models of Pax et Bonum.

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

DISTANCE LEARNING: Thursday, March 13th was the last day of in-person instruction at St. Francis High School for the 2019-2020 school year. By Wednesday, March 18th our teachers had successfully transitioned to distance learning, with only a three-day break in instruction. We provided a daily synchronous learning environment that modeled our traditional school schedule. Each year, our students are issued a Chromebook, therefore each student had the necessary tools to successfully navigate our new distance learning platform. For this reason, it was determined that our students would receive letter grades for the second semester of the school year. Their grades were earned based on their performance, not simply given for attendance. We have full confidence in both the content that was delivered as well as the grades that were earned. Please keep this in mind as you evaluate academic records for the Class of 2021.

School Facts

- + Enrollment: 1082 students (280 Seniors)
- Semester Calendar (19 weeks each)
- Average Class Size: 23
- Religion:
 - ▶ 66.7% Catholic
 - ▶ 33.3% Other Faiths
- Enrollment according to ethnicity:
 - ▶ 0.7% American Indian
 - ▶ 9.2% Asian
 - ► 2.8% Black / African American
 - ▶ 12.9% Hispanic
 - 1.4% Pacific Islander
 - ▶ 55.7% White/Caucasian
 - 17.4% Other / Multi-Racial
- Admission to St. Francis is selective and based on a placement test, previous school record and recommendation.
- Faculty:
 - ▶ 66 Instructors
 - ▶ 8 Counselors
 - ▶ 61 hold advanced degrees and/or credentials

Community Service Requirement

The Class of 2021 is required to document a minimum of 65 hours of direct service to non-profit agencies over the 4 years of high school. 20 of the 65 required hours must be completed at one agency. This requirement was reduced due to the COVID-19 pandemic and shelter-in-place restrictions.

Academics

Class of 2021 Graduation Requirements

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

Theology8	Physical Ed3
English8	Mathematics6
Fine Arts2	Health1
Social Studies7	Science6
Modern & Classical	Electives3
Language4	

Advanced Placement

English Literature and Composition • English Language and Composition • Spanish Language • Spanish Literature • French Language • Italian Language • Latin • Chemistry • Biology • Calculus AB • Calculus BC • Statistics • Studio Art • US History • World History • Am. Government/Politics • Computer Science A • Computer Science Principles

Honors Courses

Great Books • French 3 • Spanish 3 Biology • Chemistry • Physics • Geometry • Algebra 2 • Integrated Math 3 • Precalculus • Art History • SF Players • Chamber Singers • Theater Arts II

SFHS regards a total of eight (8) honors/AP classes taken in the sophomore, junior, and senior year as a most rigorous course of study. As such, students may enroll in up to four (4) Honors/AP courses per semester at St. Francis. Prior to 2019-20, SFHS limited the number of honors/AP courses a student could take each year to three (3) through a selective application process.

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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 2021 Grade Point Distribution

Weighted Deciles (from 8/2017 to 8/2020)

1st	4.49 - 4.30	6th	3.69 – 3.55
2nd	4.29 – 4.13	7th	3.53 – 3.32
3rd	4.12 - 4.00	8th	3.29 - 3.02
4th	3.98 – 3.85	9th	2.98 – 2.83
5th	3.84 – 3.71	10th	2.79 - 2.00

Class of 2020 SAT Results

Number of test-takers: 198

	ERW	Math
SFHS Mean	594	563
CA Mean	527	522

Class of 2020 ACT Results

Number of test-takers: 132 Composite

SFHS Mean	26.0
CA Mean	23.3

	English	Math	Reading	Science
SFHS	27.0	23.9	27.2	25.3
CA	23.1	22.9	23.8	22.8

PSAT & National Merit Program

The Class of 2021 qualified: 2 National African American Scholars 7 National Hispanic Scholars 1 National Merit Semi-Finalist 10 National Merit Commended Students

Advanced Placement Exams

397 students completed 690 exams in 2020. Students enrolled in AP courses are required to take AP exams. 88% of total AP Students earned passing scores of 3 or higher.

Score	# of Exams	% of Total Exams
5	121	17%
4	195	28%
3	257	37%
2	106	15%
1	22	3%

Post-Secondary Summary

Traditionally, 100% of the graduates begin college or a study abroad program the fall after graduation.

College Attendance for

Class of 2020	99%	(229)
Four-year Colleges	86%	(198)
 University of California 	8%	(18)
California State University	15%	(34)
 CA Independents 	16%	(38)
 Out-of-State Independents 	17%	(40)
 Public Out-of-State 	28%	(64)
 International Universities 	<2%	(3)
 Military Academy 	<1%	(1)
Two-year/Community Colleges	14%	(31)
Total number of students:		232

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, digital film, 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

A total of 41 clubs and 8 academic teams are offered.

Interscholastic Athletics

Student Body Participation: 46% 12 sports; 27 levels School Colors: Red and Gold School Mascot: Troubadour Section: CIF Sac Joaquin Division 1 League: Delta League

2019-2020 Team Achievements

Basketball: League-3rd, Section-T9th (I)
Cross Country: League-1st, Section-1st (II), State-6th
Golf: League-1st, Section-4th, Masters-7th
Lacrosse: 3-0 prior to shut down
Soccer: League-2nd, Section-1st, NorCal-T3
Softball: 5-1 prior to shut down
Swimming/Diving: 1-1 prior to shut down
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Track & Field: 1-0 prior to shut down
Volleyball: League-1st, Section-1st, NorCal-T5
Water Polo: League-2nd, Section-2nd, NorCal-T5

League: Delta League; SVLC: Sacramento Valley Lacrosse League; NCS: North Coast Section

Post Secondary Attendance of Class of 2020 (Total 232)

California Colleges: 121 (52%)

California Independents 38 (16%)

California Northstate University College of Health Sciences (2), Chapman (4), Fresno Pacific University (1), Loyola Marymount (4), Occidental (2) Pepperdine (1), Point Loma Nazarene University (1) St. Mary's College (4), Santa Clara (3), U of San Diego (7), U of San Francisco (5), USC (1), U of the Pacific (3)

California CSU: 34 (15%)

Chico (6), East Bay (2), Monterey Bay (2), Sacramento (5), San Diego (6), San Marcos (1), San Francisco (1), San Jose (1), San Luis Obispo (9), Sonoma (1)

California UC: 18 (8%)

Berkeley (4), Davis (3), Irvine (1), Los Angeles (1), Merced (1), San Diego (2), Santa Barbara (2), Santa Cruz (4)

California Community Colleges: 31 (14%) American River (8), Cosumnes River (1), Folsom Lake (3), Foothill (1), Monterey Peninsula (1) Sacramento City (8), San Diego Mesa (2), San Joaquin Delta (1), Sierra (6)

4 Year Out-of-State: 108 (47%)

Out-of-State Independents: 40 (17%) Baylor (2), Benedictine (1), Boston College (1), Boston University (1), Columbia (1), Cornell (1), Creighton U (1), Duquesne (1), George Washington (2), Grand Canyon U (1), Harvard (1), Holy Cross (1), Howard (2), Macalester College (1), Marist (1), New York University (3), Seattle U (1), St. John's University (New York City) (1), Syracuse (2), Texas Christian U (5), The New School (1), U of Dubuque (1), U of Tampa (1), U of Notre Dame (1), U of Pennsylvania (1), U of Portland (3), Villanova (1), Wagner (1)

Out-of-State Public: 64 (28%)

Arizona State (3), Boise State (6), Colorado School of Mines (1), Louisiana State U (1), Northern Arizona U (2), Oregon State (1), The Ohio State U (1), U of Alabama (5), U of Alaska, Fairbanks (1), U of Arizona (12), U of Colorado Boulder (1), U of Georgia (3), U of Idaho (1), U of Mississippi (1), U of Nevada, Reno (5), U of New Mexico (1), U of Oklahoma (3), U of Oregon (7), U of Tennessee (1), U of Utah (2), U of Washington (2), U of Wyoming (1), Washington State (2), Weber State (1)

Military Academies: 1 (<1%) West Point (1)

International Universities: 3 (<2%) Amsterdam University of Applied Science (1), Falmouth University (1), Temple University Japan (1)