

SCHEDULING CLASSES FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Online from
February 27 to March 10, 2025



Christian Academy
SCHOOL SYSTEM
*education with a **H**igher purpose*

High School Counselors



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- **A-G** College Admissions Process
- Career Counseling
- Issues at Schools



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- Educational Opportunities
- Scheduling
- Personal Issues



Renee
Brown P-Z

Same Counselor all 4 years

Rising 9th Graders

- There is NO advantage to registering early
- Need working FACTS login
- Course Description Catalog available on the CAL website

Look out high school; here we come!



Christian Academy

English Station
2021-2022

High School Course Description Catalog

700 S. English Station Road • Louisville, KY 40245 • (502) 244-3225

To: Students
From: Counselors

This booklet has been prepared to assist you in developing a program of study to meet your individual needs and educational goals.

CAL offers academic programs to prepare students to earn one of three types of diplomas: Standard, College Prep, or Honors. The Standard Program provides a basic traditional education. The College Prep Program is more intense and includes course work required by major colleges and universities. The Honors Program provides a challenging course of study for top students and includes courses that offer the opportunity to earn college credit while at CAL. Students are not restricted to taking courses in one program. They may take courses from a combination of programs as long as they are qualified.

Approach the course selection process seriously. You are urged to carefully examine the course offerings in this booklet and complete your Four-Year Plan so you can be sure to fulfill the requirements to graduate with the diploma you have chosen. With the assistance of teachers, counselors and parents, give careful consideration to all available options. Strive to develop a program to explore and challenge your individual abilities and talents.

Scheduling Courses

Plan Ahead

1. **READ** the course description **BEFORE** selecting a subject to be sure that it fits your needs and interests.

2. **CONSULT** with teachers in specific subject areas for more detailed information, including recommendations for placement in honors courses.

3. **BALANCE** your course selections. Avoid crowding all of your academic courses into your sophomore and junior years. Allow yourself the freedom to take elective subjects each year—they are a valuable part of your total education.

4. **REMEMBER** to make certain you have satisfied the prerequisites for taking a particular course.

5. **SELECT** alternate courses in case it is impossible to get your first choice.

6. **BE SURE** to take courses which will give you the best possible preparation for your future plans. Take advantage of the offerings available to you.

Know the Requirements

1. Know your graduation requirements before you start planning.

2. If you have questions about credits for graduation or college or career entrance, see your counselor.

How to Register

Current students will register for their classes online through RenWeb.

Current 8th grade students and high school students must register online in March, watch for an email.

1. Please be sure you have a working log-on and password before these dates. If you do not have a log-on and password, please contact the high school office. During the

registration dates, you may go online and make changes to your requests. After these dates, changes can only be made by contacting the high school office.

2. New students to CAL must register using a Course Request Form. These forms will be mailed to all newly accepted students (or can be picked up from the high school office) and should be returned to the high school office as soon as possible upon acceptance.

Adding/Dropping

A student may add and drop classes provided there is an opening in the class the student wishes to enter. Requests for schedule changes should be directed to the counselor. Note the potential penalty involved in dropping classes:

✓ 1st week of the 1st Semester—May add or drop with no penalty. Any fees paid will be refunded.

✓ 2nd—6th week of 1st Semester—Students may be withdrawn passing (WP) or withdrawn failing (WF). Students may or may not be allowed to add a course at this time. This does not affect student's GPA. If a fee was paid for the class, no fee will be refunded.

✓ After the 9th week of the semester students may be withdrawn with special permission from the principal if a fee was paid for the class, no fee will be refunded.

Freshman Year

A Year of Adjustment

Academically

Physically

Spiritually

Socially

Graduation Requirements

Standard Diploma for Kentucky – 22 credits

4 Bible

4 English

4 Math

3 Science

3 Social Studies

1 Health/PE

1 Fine Arts

2 electives (foreign language for college)

Graduation Requirements

College Preparatory Diploma – 24 credits

Initial 22 credits

+

2 years of the same foreign language

GPA must be 3.0 weighted

No honors classes required

Graduation Requirements

Honors Diploma – 24 credits

Initial 22 credits

+

2 years of the same foreign language

GPA of 3.5 weighted

Three years of honors classes in at least two different subjects

Graduation Requirements

School of The Arts Distinction

Must apply online

[*http://caschools.us/school-of-the-arts*](http://caschools.us/school-of-the-arts)

Look closely at requirements and discuss with respective department head (Mr. Wooten or Ms. Cusick).



Graduation Requirements

School of Biomedical Science Distinction



Must apply

*Look closely at requirements
and meet with Mrs. Riley if
you have questions.*

<https://caschools.us/english-station/arts-science/school-of-biomedical-science/>

Graduation Requirements

School of Spiritual of Formation Distinction



Must apply

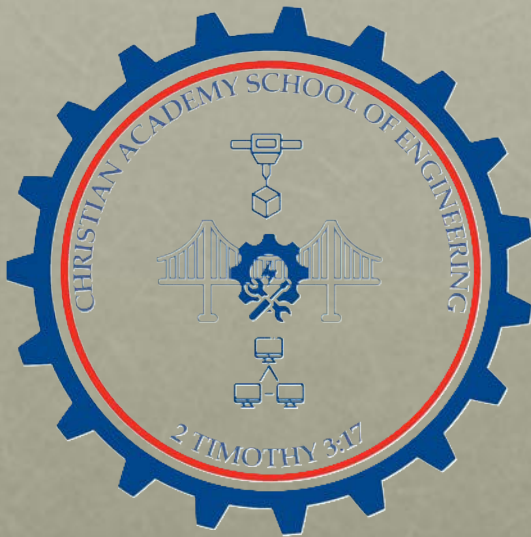
*Look closely at requirements
and meet with Ms. McConnell
if you have questions.*

Deadline to apply—
March 29, 2024

<https://caschools.us/english-station/diplomas-of-distinction/school-of-spiritual-formation/>

Graduation Requirements

School of Engineering Distinction



Must apply

Look closely at requirements and meet with Mrs. Shabaan if you have questions.

More information to follow

COMING SOON

Honors Track

Available in High School for:

- English
- Science
- Math
- Social Studies
- Foreign Language

GPA (Grade Point Average)

Grade	Unweighted	Preparatory	Honors	AP
A+ = 97 - 100	4.0	4.3	4.8	5.3
A = 93 - 96.99	4.0	4.0	4.5	5.0
A- = 90 - 92.99	3.7	3.7	4.2	4.7
B+ = 87 - 89.99	3.3	3.3	3.8	4.3
B = 83 - 86.99	3.0	3.0	3.5	4.0
B- = 80 - 82.99	2.7	2.7	3.2	3.7
C+ = 77 - 79.99	2.3	2.3	2.8	3.3
C = 73 - 76.99	2.0	2.0	2.5	3.0
C- = 70 - 72.99	1.7	1.7	2.0	2.7
D+ = 67 - 69.99	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3
D = 63 - 66.99	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
D- = 60 - 62.99	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
F = Below 60	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Weighted and Unweighted GPA

*Honors classes earned from other schools that are not offered at CAL are not weighted.



R a n k



We do not rank.

For Valedictorian and Salutatorian, we calculate the GPA using a formula incorporating quality points*

*Quality points are determined by the most number of classes, highest level of classes, and the best grades in those classes. Study halls and other non-credit awarding classes will affect the formula used in the computation.

Most high schools do not rank

KEES Scholarship

KEES – Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship

- Each year of high school you can earn scholarship money towards in-state college tuition
- The High School office **must** have your Social Security Number to register for the scholarship.
- The **unweighted** GPA is submitted (A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0).



High School

Required Courses for Freshman

- Bible
- English
- Science (Biology vs PBS)
- Math
- Health/Physical Education

Make sure to choose 3 electives

Honors Classes

For Freshmen

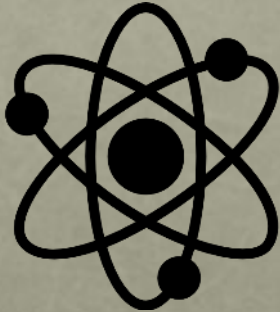
English

Science (Biology or PBS)

Math (Algebra or Geometry)

Spanish I

AP Human Geography–elective



Requirements for Honors Classes

- Grade in the current subject
- Standardized test scores in the subject
- 8th grade teacher recommendation
- Final approval from high school department chair

TRUST your 8th grade teachers!

Honors Classes

If you don't know whether or not to sign up
for honors classes, **sign up!**

It is easier to go through the recommendation
process now.

You will be notified by mail in June

Elective Possibilities

- Fundamentals of Art
- Visual Arts Foundations*
- Men's Choir
- Women's Choir
- Honors Chorale*
- Chamber Ensemble*
- Percussion Ensemble*
- Concert Band*
- Concert Orchestra
- Honors Wind Ensemble*
- Group Piano
- Music History
- Jazz Band*
- Intro to Theatre Arts
- Leadership I
- AP Human Geography*
- Home Economics
- Early Lifespan Development
- Middle to Late Lifespan Development
- Engineering Essentials (PLTW)
- Principles of Biomedical Sciences (PLTW)
- Growing Wise**
- Diving Deep into Scripture**
- Mythology
- Mass Media
- Study Hall
- Foreign Language
 - Spanish I and II*
 - Honors Spanish I* and II*
 - Latin I and II

**Requires Recommendation, Audition and/or Director Approval*

***School of Spiritual Formation*

Project Lead the Way (PLTW)

- Biomedical Science Tract
 - Interest in Medical Field or other Science Related Fields
 - Project Based Learning
 - Use Advanced Medical Technology
- Engineering Tract
 - Interest in Engineering or Architecture
 - Project Based Learning
 - Use 3D Printer

<http://www.pltwky.org/>

Foreign Language



- Most students begin in 9th grade
- Must be the **same** language both years
- Pre-college requirement for 4 year schools
- Latin or Spanish



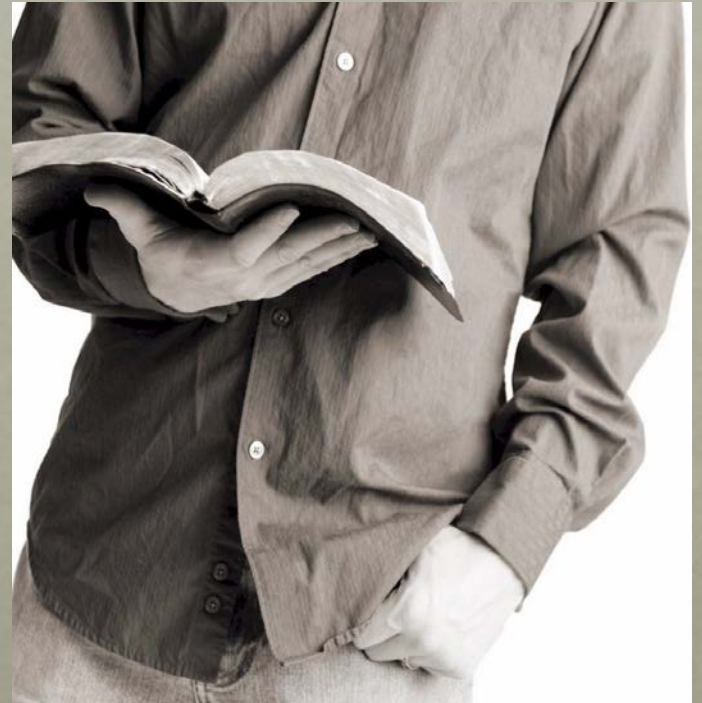
Spanish

- Spanish I
- Honors Spanish I
 - A or B in middle school Spanish and teacher recommendation



Bible Class

- Foundations of Faith – 1st semester
- The Gospel Story – 2nd semester



Study Hall

You can take study hall all 4 years of high school and still graduate with the Honors Diploma



Requests

- We can not honor a request for your classes to be in a specific order. (For example, asking for a study hall at the end of the day . . .)
- We can not honor a request for a specific teacher or to be with certain friends, so please do not ask.

Reason...we need to balance classes

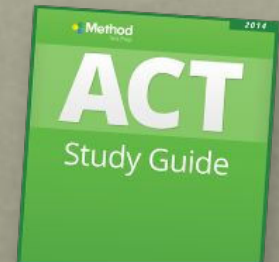
ACT or SAT

What are they and when
should you start
preparing?




Methodize

- Some classes incorporate program into curriculum
- 2 full practice tests, lessons, quizzes, vocabulary
- You can monitor your progress
- 20 weeks of activities and lessons
- Quizzes provide the reasoning behind correct/wrong answers



ACT

Service Hours

 Christian Academy of Louisville COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS			
NAME (Please print): _____			
SIGNATURE: _____			
DATE: _____		CLASS OF: _____	
WHAT WAS THE PROJECT AND WHAT DID YOU DO?			
_____ _____ _____			
FOR WHOM? INDICATE ORGANIZATION, ADDRESS AND SUPERVISOR			
_____ _____ _____			
SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE: _____			
PHONE: _____			
LOG THE DATES, TIME AND HOURS WORKED (IF MISSION TRIP, MAXIMUM 8 HRS/DAY AND DO NOT INCLUDE TRAVEL DAYS)			
DATE	TIME	HOURS	TOTAL HOURS
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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OFFICE USE ONLY:			
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REASON _____			
TOTAL COMMUNITY HOURS _____		TOTAL CHURCH HOURS _____	
COUNSELOR SIGNATURE _____		DATE: _____	

- Must have **60** to graduate
- **30 must** be outside of the Christian community
- Not for a relative
- Can start summer after 8th grade
- Mission trips, up to 8 hours per day

Keep List for Resume

- Keep a folder, notebook, drawer, etc. for holding information on awards, honors, jobs, activities, mission trips, community service, . . .
- Puts information right at your fingertips when filling out college and scholarship applications
- Makes it easy to develop a resume you can provide as a courtesy to those people writing letters of recommendation

Social Life



- Dances—encourage your friends to go in groups
- Check out clubs, sports, music, drama
- Make sure you keep a reasonable bedtime – sleep is important!
- Spend time with and **talk** to your family
- Stay involved in church

Friend groups often change in high school

Questions?

Please email or call

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Our Mission

The mission of Christian Academy School System is to **develop students with a heart for God** who grow as Jesus did in wisdom, stature, and in favor with God and men.

Luke 2:52

*education with a **Higher** purpose*