



CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

4810 Bradford Drive • Huntsville, AL 35805

2008/2009 Profile: Learn Enthusiastically, Lead Honorably, Live Responsibly

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL AT A GLANCE

Founded	1996	CLASS OF 2007/2008 (59 STUDENTS):	
Total Enrollment Grades 9-12	318	National Merit Finalists	2
Student::Teacher Ratio	9::1	National Merit Commended Scholars	4
Average Class Size	16	National Achievement Finalist	1
Ethnic Diversity	20%	Merit Scholarships Awarded	\$3.9+ million
Faculty	39, majority with advanced degrees	S.A.T. Composite	1761
		A.C.T. Composite	26.3
Sponsored	Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama		
Accredited	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)		
Member	National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA)		

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Catholic High School is to serve the families of our Catholic parishes and the wider community by providing a Catholic education in a caring environment that stresses academic excellence. Catholic High School is committed to developing the total person in body, mind, and spirit. We pledge to teach the message of the Gospel and the Tradition, to form a school community of faith, to provide experiences of liturgy and prayer, and to guide students to loving service. We will encourage, challenge, and support each student to learn enthusiastically, to lead honorably, and to live responsibly in our world.

CURRICULUM

Graduation Requirements	28 academic credit hours, 100 community service hours
Advanced Placement	U.S. History, Biology, Calculus A/B, Chemistry, Government & Politics: United States, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, European History, World History
Dual College Credit	Offered through the University of Alabama in Huntsville to Juniors and Seniors
Grading	Quality Points are totaled and divided by the number of credits. Catholic High School weights all AP and approved dual-enrollment classes with a weight qualifier of 0.5 per designated class. Transcripts include a weighted and unweighted GPA. Quality Points assigned are listed below.

Letter Grade	Numeric Value	Quality Points	Letter Grade	Numeric Value	Quality Points	Letter Grade	Numeric Value	Quality Points	Letter Grade	Numeric Value	Quality Points
A+	97-100	4.5	B+	87-89	3.5	C+	77-79	2.5	D+	68-69	1.5
A	93-96	4.25	B	83-86	3.25	C	73-76	2.25	D	66-67	1.25
A-	90-92	4.0	B-	80-82	3.0	C-	70-72	2.0	D-	65	1.0
									F	Below 65	0.0

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SPIRITUAL FOUNDATION

Spiritual Formation

Catholic High encourages students to deepen their faith life in the way of Christ in the Catholic tradition through experiences of liturgy, including weekly all-school Mass; curriculum; retreats, and Campus Ministry. Religion courses help the student explore the scriptures, morality, church history, social justice, and many other faith topics rooted in the Catholic tradition. Yearly retreats focus on aspects of student spiritual life for each grade level.

Service Learning

Students learn the value of service and lay the foundation for lifelong habits of volunteerism as they meet the graduation requirement of 100 community service hours. Students serve individually at local churches, schools, and charitable organizations. As a group, the student body participates in a spring Service Day as well as blood drives, Christmas donations, food drives and other activities held during the year.

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES: CLASSES OF 2004-2008

Alabama A & M University	Huntingdon College	Ringling School of Art & Design	University of Central Oklahoma
Atlanta College of Art	Jacksonville State University	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Colorado at Boulder
American University	Judson College	Rollins College	University of Dallas
Aquinas College	Juniata College	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	University of Denver
Arizona State University	Knox College	Rutgers University	University of Evansville
Auburn University	Lambuth University	Saint John's University	University of Florida
Baylor University	Louisiana State University	Saint Louis University	University of Findlay
Bellarmino University	Loyola University	Saint Mary's College of California	University of Georgia
Belmont Abbey College	Marion Military Institute	Salem International University	University of Maryland
Belmont University	Marquette University	Samford University	University of Michigan
Bentley College	Martín Methodist College	Santa Clara University	University of Missouri
Berry College	Marymount University	Savannah College of Art and Design	University of Mobile
Birmingham Southern College	Maryville University	Seton Hall University	University of Montevallo
Boston University	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Sewanee University	University of North Alabama
Brenau University	Marquette University	Smith College	University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
Calhoun Community College	Marywood University	Southern Methodist University	University of North Carolina Wilmington
Centre College	Mercer University	Spring Hill College	University of Notre Dame
Claremont McKenna College	Miami University	Stony Brook State University	University of Oklahoma
Christian Brothers University	Michigan State University	Texas A&M University	University of Richmond
College of Charleston	Millsaps College	Transylvania University	University of South Alabama
College of William & Mary	Mississippi College	Troy State University	University of Southern Mississippi
Colorado School of Mines	Mississippi State University	Tulane University	University of Tampa
Converse College	Morehouse College	U.S. Military Academy at West Point	University of Tennessee
Davidson College	Mount Holyoke College	U.S. Coast Guard Academy	University of Toledo
DePaul University	Nashville Auto-Diesel College	U.S. Naval Academy	University of West Alabama
Eckerd College	New College of Florida	University of Akron	University of Wisconsin, Green Bay
Emory University	Norwich University	University of Alabama	Vanderbilt University
Florida State University	Occidental College	University of Alabama in Birmingham	Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Fordham University	Ohio State University	University of Alabama in Huntsville	Wake Forest University
Furman University	Oxford College of Emory	University of Arizona	Webster University
George Mason University	Providence College	University of Central Florida	Westminster Choir College
Georgetown University	Purdue University		Xavier University
George Washington University	Radford University		
Georgia Institute of Technology	Ramapo College of New Jersey		
Guilford College	Randolph-Macon Woman's College		
Hampden-Sydney College	Rhodes College		
Hendrix College	Richmond College		
Hollins University			