



Bishop Diego is an independent Catholic co-educational secondary school that welcomes students of all faiths and provides them with the spiritual, personal, and intellectual knowledge to meet the enduring challenge of realizing their God-given potential in a multi-cultural society.

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SCHOOL HISTORY

Bishop High School provides a rigorous college preparatory program for young men and women in grades 9-12. Bishop combines the rich heritage of two predecessor schools, Dolores School, which opened in 1914 and Catholic High School, which opened in 1940. The school relocated in 1959 and was renamed in honor of Francisco Garcia Diego y Moreno, the first bishop of California. Bishop is independently operated and is governed by a Board of Trustees.

The school serves the diverse community of Santa Barbara County (population 446,499) and is located near downtown Santa Barbara, with access to many cultural, educational and recreational activities.

281

Students

47

Graduating Class
of 2024

1 TO 9

Teacher to
Student Ratio

16

Average Class
Size

67% Receive

59%

Tuition Assistance
on Average

21

Sports Offered

Bishop Diego adheres to the time-honored Catholic tradition of educating the whole individual by providing a solid four-year college preparatory curriculum while stressing the importance of faith and service to others.

ACCREDITATION

Western Association of Schools and Colleges
Western Catholic Educational Association
California Association of Independent Schools

ACTIVITIES

Students are encouraged to be involved members of the school community by participating in a variety of clubs and activities. Bishop’s campus supports students to develop leadership skills that will enable them to be of service to others and to adopt productive roles in their families and communities.

Co-curricular offerings include 21 interscholastic sports, Campus Ministry, National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, California Scholarship Federation, clubs, yearbook, sound production, peer tutoring, student government, and STEAM Society.

MATRICULATION

83% of the Class of 2023 applied to 4-year institutions, with a 100% acceptance rate. 100% matriculated to college, with 71% enrolling in 4-year institutions and 29% choosing the Santa Barbara Promise to attend 2-year college free of cost.

CURRICULUM

The school is proud to offer a diverse, challenging, and rigorous college preparatory curriculum that allows students to individualize their course of study and meet their objectives, needs, and interests.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Theology.....4 Years
English.....4 Years
Math.....4 Years
Science.....2 Years
LOTE.....2 Years
Fine Arts.....1 Year
PE or Athletics.....1 Year
Technology.....1 Year

- Elective courses are offered to complete the total of 250 credits required for graduation.
- Students are also required to complete 100 community service hours in order to graduate.
- The exceptional Bishop faculty is comprised of 32 teachers, including 5 alumni.
- 70% of faculty have advanced degrees.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES & SCORES

| Exam Name | Exams Passed | Exams Taken |
|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Calculus AB | 1 | 4 |
| Calculus BC | 3 | 3 |
| Chemistry | 11 | 11 |
| English Language | 13 | 17 |
| English Literature | 13 | 13 |
| Human Geography | 13 | 16 |
| Physics | 5 | 5 |
| Spanish Language | 3 | 5 |
| Government | 17 | 20 |
| U.S. History | 7 | 14 |

HONORS COURSES

Honors Spanish 2
Honors Spanish 3
Honors Chemistry
Honors English 9
Honors English 10
Honors Geometry
Honors Algebra 2
Honors Statistics
Honors Pre-Calculus
Honors Calculus
Honors World History
Honors Mandarin 3
Honors Mandarin 4

*AP Enrollment is contingent on teacher approval or academic petition.
108 Advanced Placement exams were administered to 67 students in 2023.*

GRADING SYSTEM

Calculated on a 4.0 scale each semester using all letter grades.

Dual Enrollment college courses are given 10 full credits for each semester; whereas, high school courses earn 5 credits each semester.

A+ = 4.33, A = 4.00, A- = 3.67
B+ = 3.33, B = 3.00, B- = 2.67
C+ = 2.33, C = 2.00, C- = 1.67
D+ = 1.33, D = 1.00, D- = .67, F = 0

Bishop Diego High School does not rank students.

Class of 2024, Cumulative, Weighted GPA Distribution

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|------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 4.3+ | 4.1 - 4.29 | 4.0 - 4.09 | 3.9 - 3.99 | 3.8 - 3.89 |
| 3 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 5 |

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|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| 3.7 - 3.79 | 3.6 - 3.69 | 3.5 - 3.59 | 3.3 - 3.49 | 3.2 & below |
| 3 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 11 |

Theology

Rev Script/Miss Min (Theology 9)
Pasch Myst/The Church (Theology 10)
Ethics/Sacraments (Theology 11)
World Religion/Life Choices (Theology 12)
Campus Ministry (by application only)

English

Advanced ESL
Literature & Composition 1, 2
Honors English 9, 10
American Literature (11)
World Literature (11)
AP English Language (11)
AP English Literature (12)

History

Human Geography
World Cultures
Honors World History
History of Surfing
AP Human Geography
US History
AP US History
Government/Economics
AP Government/Honors Civics

World Language

Spanish 1, 2, 3
Honors Spanish 2, 3
AP Spanish
Mandarin 2, 3
Honors Mandarin 3, 4

Visual & Performing Arts

Color & Design (Beginning Art)
Art Context & Applications (Adv. Art)
AP Art
Ceramics
Advanced Graphic Art (Yearbook)
Intermediate Multimedia (BDTV)
Introduction to Film
Drama

Mathematics

Algebra AB
Algebra BC
Geometry
Honors Geometry
Algebra 2
Honors Algebra 2
PSTAT / Trigonometry
Pre-Calculus
Honors Pre-Calculus
Calculus
Honors Calculus
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
Honors Statistics
Math Traditional to Career

Science

Biology
AP Biology (alternating years)
Chemistry
Honors Chemistry
AP Chemistry (alternating years)
Physics
AP Physics 1
Environmental Science
Astronomy

Technology

Introduction to Multimedia
Intermediate Multimedia
Advanced Multimedia
Graphic Art & Technology
Introduction to Computer Science
Introduction to Sound Production
Advanced Sound Production

Electives

Strength & Conditioning
Advanced Strength & Conditioning
Associated Student Body
Lifetime Sports
Sports Ethics
Sports Analytics
Math Support
Psychology

College Acceptances (2019-2023)

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|---|---|--|--|
| Abilene Christian University | Dominican University of California (2) | Pennsylvania State University, Behrend | University of California, San Diego (21) |
| American University | Drexel University (4) | Pepperdine University (10) | University of California, Santa Barbara (17) |
| Arizona Christian University (3) | Durham University | Pitzer University | University of California, Santa Cruz (22) |
| Arizona State University (26) | Eastern Nazarene College | Point Loma Nazarene University (3) | University of Central Oklahoma |
| Auburn University | Eastern Washington University | Portland State University (2) | University of Colorado, Boulder (28) |
| Austin College | Elmhurst University | Providence College (2) | University of Colorado, Denver |
| Ave Maria University | Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach (2) | Purdue University (2) | University of Connecticut |
| Azusa Pacific University (2) | Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Prescott | Randolf-Macon College | University of Dallas |
| Bard University | Emerson College (2) | Reed College (2) | University of Dayton |
| Bates College | Emory University (2) | Regis University (2) | University of Denver (6) |
| Baylor University (11) | Florida Atlantic University | Ripon College | University of Florida (3) |
| Belmont University (4) | Florida Gulf Coast University | Rivier University | University of Georgia |
| Benedictine College | Florida Institute of Technology | Rochester Institute of Technology (2) | University of Hawaii at Manoa (2) |
| Bentley University | Fordham University (6) | Sacramento State University (13) | University of Houston (2) |
| Berry College | Fort Lewis University | Saint Edward's University | University of Idaho (4) |
| Biola University | Fresno State University | Saint Mary's College of California (21) | University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (2) |
| Boise State University (17) | George Fox University (2) | San Diego State University (17) | University of Kansas (2) |
| Boston College (3) | George Washington University (3) | San Francisco State University (19) | University of La Verne (12) |
| Boston University (3) | Georgia State University | San Jose State University (19) | University of Maine |
| Buena Vista University | Gettysburg College (3) | Santa Clara University (17) | University of Massachusetts, Amherst |
| Cal Poly Humboldt | Gonzaga University (13) | Savannah College of Art and Design (2) | University of Massachusetts, Boston |
| California Baptist University (5) | Grand Canyon University (4) | School of the Art Institute of Chicago | University of Memphis |
| California College of the Arts | Hawai'i Pacific University (2) | Seattle Pacific University (4) | University of Miami (7) |
| California Institute of Technology | Hillsdale College | Seattle University (7) | University of Minnesota, Twin Cities |
| California Lutheran University (51) | Hobart William Smith Colleges | Sewanee: The University of the South | University of Mississippi (4) |
| California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo (31) | Holy Names University (3) | Simpson University | University of Missouri, Columbia (3) |
| California State Polytechnic University, Pomona (13) | Humboldt State University (10) | Skidmore College (4) | University of Montana |
| California State University, Bakersfield | Idaho State University | Sonoma State University (8) | University of Mount Union |
| California State University, Channel Islands (20) | Illinois Wesleyan University | Southern Methodist University (16) | University of Nebraska |
| California State University, Chico (20) | Indiana University, Bloomington (2) | Southern Utah University | University of Nevada, Las Vegas |
| California State University, Dominguez Hills (4) | Iowa Wesleyan University | Stanford University | University of Nevada, Reno (7) |
| California State University, East Bay (2) | Jacksonville State University | Stetson University (2) | University of New Mexico |
| California State University, Fresno (2) | John Carroll University | Stony Brook University (2) | University of North Texas (2) |
| California State University, Fullerton (8) | Juniata College | St. John's College, Annapolis | University of Northern Colorado |
| California State University, Long Beach (16) | Kansas State University (2) | St. John's University, New York | University of Notre Dame (2) |
| California State University, Los Angeles (4) | Knox College | St. Mary's University | University of Oregon (33) |
| California State University, Maritime Academy | La Sierra University | St. Olaf College | University of Portland (4) |
| California State University, Monterey Bay (11) | Laguna College of Art and Design | St. Lawrence University | University of Puget Sound (7) |
| California State University, Northridge (12) | Lehigh University (5) | Suffolk University | University of Redlands (4) |
| California State University, San Bernardino (3) | Lewis & Clark College (8) | SUNY University at Buffalo | University of Rochester |
| California State University, San Marcos (15) | Linfield College (4) | Swiss Hotel Management School | University of San Diego (35) |
| California State University, Stanislaus | Long Island University | Syracuse University (6) | University of San Francisco (28) |
| Case Western Reserve University (2) | Louisiana State University (4) | Temple University (2) | University of Saint Mary |
| Central Washington University | Loyola Marymount University (23) | Tennessee State University | University of Southern California (11) |
| Chapman University (30) | Loyola University Chicago | Texas A&M University | University of South Carolina (2) |
| Clarkson University | Lynn University | Texas Christian University (10) | University of Tennessee, Knoxville |
| Claremont McKenna University | Manhattan College | Texas Tech University | University of Texas at El Paso (3) |
| Colgate | Marist College (3) | Texas Wesleyan University | University of the Pacific (3) |
| College of St. Benedict | Marymount Manhattan College | The Catholic University of America (3) | University of Tulsa (2) |
| Colorado School of Mines (3) | McGill University | The Citadel Military College of South Carolina | University of Utah (10) |
| Colorado State University (18) | Miami University (2) | The College of Idaho (2) | University of Vermont |
| Colorado State University, Pueblo | Michigan Technological University | The College of William and Mary (2) | University of Victoria, British Columbia |
| Columbia College, Chicago (2) | Mid-America Christian University | The College of Wooster | University of Virginia (4) |
| Concordia University, Irvine (9) | Milwaukee School of Engineering | The University of Alabama (7) | University of Washington (5) |
| Concordia University, Wisconsin | Minnesota State University, Mankato | The University of Arizona (33) | University of Wisconsin, Madison (2) |
| Cornell University | Missouri University of Science and Technology | The University of Edinburgh | University of Wyoming (3) |
| Creighton University | Montana State University (10) | The University of Manchester | Utah State University (4) |
| Culver-Stockton College | Morehead State University | The University of Nottingham | Vanguard University of Southern California |
| Dartmouth University | Mount St. Mary's University (3) | The University of Tampa (4) | Villanova University (2) |
| Davidson College | New York University (3) | The University of Tennessee (3) | Washington State University (3) |
| Denison University | New York University, Abu Dhabi | Trevecca Nazarene University | Washington and Lee University |
| DePaul University (4) | Northeastern University (3) | Trinity University (2) | Weber State University |
| DePauw University | Northern Arizona University (33) | United States Air Force Academy | Western Washington University |
| | Northern Vermont University | United States Coast Guard Academy | Westcliff University |
| | Northwest Nazarene University | University at Buffalo | Westmont College (26) |
| | Nova Southeastern University | University of Bristol | Whitman College |
| | Occidental College (2) | University of California, Berkeley (8) | Whittier College (10) |
| | Ohio Northern University | University of California, Davis (27) | Whitworth University (5) |
| | Ohio University | University of California, Irvine (10) | Willamette University (8) |
| | Oklahoma State University (2) | University of California, Los Angeles (11) | Woodbury University |
| | Oklahoma Wesleyan University | University of California, Merced (13) | Worcester Polytechnic Institute (2) |
| | Oregon State University (26) | University of California, Riverside (16) | |
| | Oregon Technological Institute | | |
| | Otis College of Art and Design | | |
| | Pacific Lutheran University | | |
| | Pacific University (3) | | |
| | Pennsylvania State University (4) | | |