



2024-25
HIGH SCHOOL
ACADEMIC PROFILE



THE SCHOOL

The Mission of Heritage Christian School is “to glorify God by providing a rigorous academic program from a Biblical perspective, and by partnering with parents to provide their children with a firm spiritual foundation to impact the world for Christ.”

Heritage Christian School (HCS) celebrates the 10-year anniversary of the merger of Los Angeles Baptist Middle/High School (1962) and Hillcrest Christian School (1976). HCS strives to lead with this prestigious legacy, preparing our young scholars for higher education through our intensive college preparatory programs and college advising. HCS also offers extensive extracurricular activities, providing enrichment opportunities for our students to develop in the areas of athletics, arts, music, science, technology, community outreach and more. HCS is dedicated to students in their formative school years (TK-12 grades) by fostering a nurturing environment in which students’ spiritual, intellectual, physical, social, and artistic abilities can grow and expand.

ACCREDITATION AND MEMBERSHIP

Heritage Christian School is accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International (ASCI), the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and the National Institute for Learning Development (NILD). Additionally, HCS is a member of the Association of Christian Schools International, the California Scholarship Federation (CSF), and the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF).

ADMISSION INFORMATION

HCS does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, nationality or ethnic origin in admissions or in any school administered program. HCS seeks students who desire a challenging academic program combined with the opportunity for personal and spiritual growth, along with involvement in the school community. The Admissions Committee bases its decisions on the applicant’s previous school record as well as a personal interview evaluation.

ADMINISTRATION

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COLLEGE COUNSELORS

Mrs. Irene Kendrick

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STUDENTS AND FACULTY

For the 2024-25 school year, our high school has 387 students enrolled in grades 9 through 12, of which 89 are seniors. There are 37 faculty members all holding earned degrees including 21 master’s degrees and one earned doctorate.

ETHNICITY INFORMATION

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ETHNICITY

African-American	11%
Asian	7%
Filipino	1%
Hispanic	27%
Multicultural	12%
Other	10%
White-Caucasian	30%
Not Reported	2%

CAMPUS MINISTRY, COMMUNITY SERVICE AND INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

Weekly chapel assemblies are conducted, often with student-led worship and participation. Students attend Bible class as part of their schedule and may also attend prayer breakfasts and "Praise and Worship" nights. Diakonos is our community service group that serves our local community in the San Fernando Valley and Greater Los Angeles Area. It is comprised of student volunteers and led by a faculty advisor. Additionally, students are given the opportunity to participate in several international missions trips annually, varying in location and duration.

STUDENT GOVERNANCE AND LEADERSHIP

Heritage Christian School student leadership is comprised of two branches:

1. The Associated Student Body Council (ASB) is comprised of students who have been nominated by staff and elected by the student body. Students must have faculty recommendations and also administrative approval to run for office. The ASB is responsible for school wide events and activities. Once elected, officers remain in office for an entire school year.
2. The Student Class Council is comprised of students elected by their specific class. Students must have administrative approval to run for office. Class council officers are responsible for planning, organizing and promoting events specific to their class. Once elected, officers remain in office for an entire school year.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

The curriculum at Heritage is carefully selected to enhance the academic program. Academic counselors guide students in their pursuit of learning to be prepared for acceptance at the UC and Cal State campuses, and other prestigious colleges and universities. Refer to the Course Offerings for honors and AP classes that are offered. The general education requirements include:

Bible Studies - 40 Units	English - 40 Units
Mathematics - 30 Units	Physical Education - 20 Units
Science - 20 Units	Social Science - 30 Units
Visual and Performing Arts - 10 Units	

Students have the opportunity to take advanced placement and honors courses in areas of english, mathematics, science, social sciences, and modern languages. Two hundred and forty (240) total units are required for graduation. Heritage is on a 4x4 block schedule.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT AND HONORS COURSES

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AP Biology
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Chemistry
AP English Language
AP English Literature
AP Physics
AP Pre Calculus
AP Psychology
AP Seminar
AP Spanish Language
AP Statistics
AP U.S. Government
AP U.S. History
AP World History
Honors Biology
Honors English 9, 10
Honors French 3

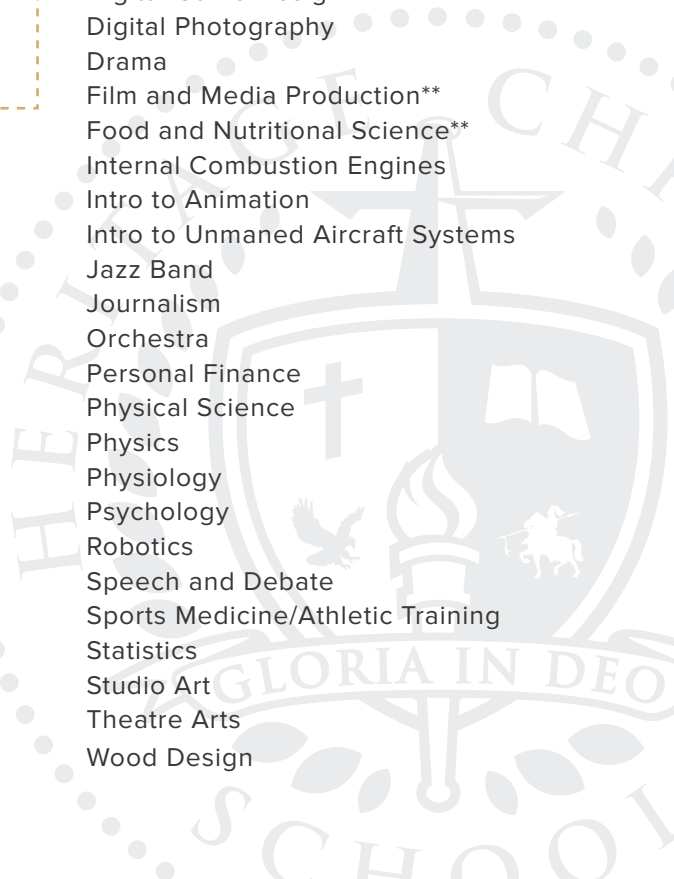
OTHER ELECTIVES

Advanced Journalism
Advanced Woodworking
Biotechnology**
Ceramics
Child Development
Choir
Commercial Art & Design
Computer Graphics
Creative Writing
Dance
Digital Game Design**
Digital Photography
Drama
Film and Media Production**
Food and Nutritional Science**
Internal Combustion Engines
Intro to Animation
Intro to Unmanned Aircraft Systems
Jazz Band
Journalism
Orchestra
Personal Finance
Physical Science
Physics
Physiology
Psychology
Robotics
Speech and Debate
Sports Medicine/Athletic Training
Statistics
Studio Art
Theatre Arts
Wood Design

Students are restricted to 3 AP/Honors courses per year or 4 with administrative approval.

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Offered as needed/
requested



GRADING

Heritage Christian School (HCS) operates on a semester calendar with an A-F grading system. One extra grade point is given for honors and advanced placement courses at any grade level.

Due to the testing restrictions and requirements from colleges in the state of California, testing reports are not a sufficient representation of our student population.

A 4.0 B 3.0 C 2.0 D 1.0 F 0

GRADE DISTRIBUTION

Class of 2024

GPA Range	# of students
4.41-4.00	27
3.99-3.50	23
3.49-3.00	29
2.99-2.50	17
2.49-2.00	4

COLLEGE PLANNING

HCS's college counselors provide individual counseling and financial aid/scholarship information for high school students. Counselors also provide workshops for parents/students to assist in college planning. Counselors and students utilize Naviance as a college planning resource in grades 9 through 12. Counselors are available for college planning for students at all grade levels. The following is a list of some of the universities and colleges accepting Heritage Christian Students over the last few years.

99% of the students that applied to a 4-year university were accepted to one of their choices.

Arizona Christian University	Dartmouth College	Southern Methodist University
Arizona State University	Georgetown University	Stanford University
Azusa Pacific University	Grand Canyon University	Texas Christian University
Baylor University	Harvard University	The Master's University
Biola University	Johns Hopkins University	University of California (all campuses)
Boise State University	Liberty University	University of Colorado
Boston College	Loyola Marymount University	University of La Verne
Boston University	New York University	University of Massachusetts, Boston
Cal Poly Pomona	Northeastern University	University of Notre Dame
Cal Poly San Luis Obispo	Northern Arizona University	University of Oregon
California Baptist University	Occidental College	University of San Diego
California Lutheran University	Ohio State University	University of San Francisco
California State University (all campuses)	Pennsylvania State University	University of Southern California
Chapman University	Pepperdine University	University of the Pacific
Claremont Colleges	Point Loma University	Vanderbilt University
Columbia University	Pomona College	Westmont College
Cornell University		



ADVANCED PLACEMENT AND HONORS COURSES

Due to enrollment changes year to year, and course preferences among our students, the electives and AP courses offered change.

Students are restricted to 3 AP/honors courses per year or 4 with administrative approval.

Below is a list of the electives, honors, and AP courses specifically offered the last four years.

2020-21

AP Biology, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Chemistry, AP English Language, AP English Literature, AP French Language, AP Psychology, AP Spanish Language, AP U.S. History, AP World History, Honors Biology, Honors English 9, 10, Honors French 4, Honors Pre Calculus, Honors Spanish 4

Other Electives Advanced Choir/Rendered, Advanced Journalism, Ceramics, Choir, Computer Graphics, Dance, Digital Photography, Drama, Film and Media Production, Introduction to Animation, Jazz Band, Journalism, Orchestra, Personal Finance, Physical Science, Physiology, Psychology, Robotics, Sports Medicine/Athletic Training, Studio Art, Theatre Arts, Wood Design 1,2,3,4

2022-23

AP Biology, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Chemistry, AP Computer Science, AP English Language, AP English Literature, AP French Language, AP Physics 1, AP Psychology, AP Spanish Language, AP U.S. Government, AP U.S. History, AP World History, Honors Biology, Honors English 9, 10, Honors Pre Calculus

Other Electives Animation 2, Biotechnology, Ceramics 1, 2, Choir 1, 2, 3, 4, Computer Coding, Computer Graphics, Commercial Art, Dance, Digital Photography, Drama, Film and Media Production, Introduction to Animation, Introduction to Unmanned Aircraft Systems, Jazz Band, Orchestra, Personal Finance, Physical Science, Physics, Physiology, Psychology, Robotics 1, 2, Speech and Debate, Sports Medicine/Athletic Training, Statistics, Studio Art, Theatre Arts, Wood Design 1, 2, 3, 4

2023-24

AP Biology, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Computer Science, AP English Language, AP English Literature, AP French Language, AP Physics 1, AP Pre Calculus, AP Psychology, AP Spanish Language, AP Statistics, AP U.S. Government, AP U.S. History, AP World History, Honors Biology, Honors English 9, 10

Other Electives Animation 2, Ceramics 1, 2, Choir 1, 2, 3, 4, Computer Coding, Computer Graphics, Commercial Art, Dance, Digital Photography, Drama, Internal Combustion Engines, Introduction to Animation, Introduction to Unmanned Aircraft Systems, Jazz Band, Orchestra, Personal Finance, Physical Science, Physics, Physiology, Psychology, Robotics 1, 2, Speech and Debate, Sports Medicine/Athletic Training, Statistics, Studio Art, Theatre Arts, Women's Choir, Wood Design 1, 2, 3, 4

2024-25

AP Biology, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Chemistry, AP Computer Science, AP English Language, AP English Literature, AP Pre Calculus, AP Psychology, AP Seminar, AP Spanish Language, AP Statistics, AP U.S. Government, AP U.S. History, AP World History, Honors Biology, Honors English 9, 10

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