

# SCHOOL PROFILE 2018-2019

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# ST JOSEPH HIGH SCHOOL

*An independent, co-ed, Catholic College preparatory school of 821 students serving Fairfield County.*

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## Grading System

Our transcripts report both a raw score out of 100 as well as a weighted grade point average. The weighted average is achieved using the following multiplier:

Advanced Placement / College-credit bearing courses .....	1.10
Honors .....	1.07
Honors 2 (H2) .....	1.05
College Prep .....	1.00

The cumulative grade point average is available on the final report card.

St Joseph High School is fully accredited by the New England Association of Secondary Schools (NEASC) and the State of Connecticut. The school is a participating member of the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA), the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS), and the Connecticut Association of Independent Schools (CAIS).

## MISSION

St Joseph High School strives to be the premier college preparatory school in southern Connecticut. The school provides a learning environment that embraces the Gospel values of the Roman Catholic faith and promotes a commitment to family and community. The school prepares our young women and young men to realize their potential, helps them to excel in higher education, and provides a foundation to guide them throughout their lives.

## THE SCHOOL AND THE COMMUNITY

### 2018-19 Enrollment:

Male: 391 / Female: 430  
Seniors: 197  
International Students: 5%  
Percentage of Students Recieving  
Financial Aid: 32%

### Faculty:

Hold Advanced Degrees: 90%  
Faculty to Student Ratio: 13:1  
Average Class Size: 19

St Joseph High School attracts students from more than 36 towns and municipalities across Connecticut.

## THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Graduation requires successful completion of 26 credits including: English (4 credits); Fine Arts (1 credit); Math (4 credits); Science (3 credits); Social Studies (3.5 credits); Theology (4 credits); World Languages (2 credits).

Sixteen Advanced Placement courses are offered, including: Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, English Literature and Composition, English Language and Composition, Environmental Science, European History, French Language and Culture, Macro and Micro-economics, Physics, Spanish Language and Culture, Statistics, US History, US Government, and Politics. Additional Advanced Placement courses are also offered through Virtual High School.

Dual enrollment courses are offered in International Relations, World Religions, and Entrepreneurship through the University of Connecticut, Sacred Heart University, and the University of Iowa. Other courses include: Mandarin (Levels 1-4), Catholicism in Culture, Principles of Engineering, Sports Medicine, Theatre, Robotics and Automation, Aeronautic Engineering, Broadcast Journalism, and Contemporary Political Philosophy.

### Theology:

Each student is responsible for an annual course load of six or seven credits including Theology. Theology is as demanding as any other college preparatory course, and we encourage colleges to include it when calculating a grade point average.

### Francis Xavier International Scholars:

Each year, this program organizes several domestic and international cross-cultural immersion trips to such places as China, South America, Central America, and Europe. Participating students engage in a minimum of two immersion experiences and complete requisite courses in addition to world language study.

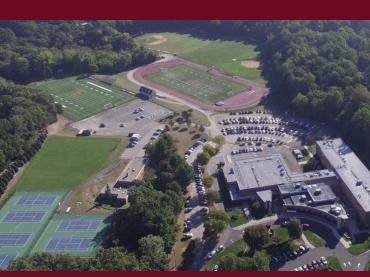
### FUTURES Program:

Juniors and Seniors are given an opportunity to explore their career interests in medicine, technology, law, business, education, etc. through a series of short seminars with alumni and parent professionals. Seniors are then given the opportunity to intern in a field of interest. All are trained in business ethics, etiquette, and the importance of maintaining a positive on-line presence.

## CO-CURRICULARS

**Athletics:** St Joseph High School fields 46 interscholastic teams that compete in the nationally recognized Fairfield County Interscholastic Athletic Association. Our athletic facilities and professional coaching staff have produced a number of Division 1 athletes, as well as 21 team and individual State Championships in the last four years. SJHS earned 5 state titles in 2017-2018 alone.

A new Health and Wellness Center serves the entire student body; we focus on nutrition and exercise and developing healthy mental and physical life habits. Our varsity programs include: baseball, basketball, bowling, cheerleading, cross-country, field hockey, football, golf, gymnastics, ice hockey, indoor track, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, track and field, and volleyball. 80% of our students are involved in one or more athletic team.



## St Joseph High School's Class of 2018:

179 students

## TEST SCORE AVERAGES:

### SATs

EBRW - 580  
Mathematics - 540

### HONORS SATs

EBRW - 670  
Mathematics - 670

### ACTs

Composite - 24.3

### HONORS ACTs

Composite - 29

## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY:

52 students

## MERIT SCHOLARS:

2 National Merit Scholars  
1 National Merit Finalist

## CT GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS: 1

## COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES:

100% of our students are accepted into a four-year college

**Clubs and Organizations:** We offer more than 40 different clubs and activities including: Aeronautics, Art/Portfolio, Astronomy, AV, Campus Ministry, Chess, Debate, Drama, English, French, Frisbee, Go Green Ecology, Guitar, HeArt, Interact, Irish, Italian, Jeopardy, Letters of Love, Math, Model UN, Multicultural, Philosophy, Ping Pong, Pottery, RAAFT, Robotics, SADD, Spanish, STEM, Stock Market, Women's Studies, Writing, Yearbook, and Zumba.

**Community Service:** Direct service to the economically and socially disadvantaged is central to the mission of St. Joseph High School. Although we have modest service requirements (9th grade 10 hours; 10th grade 15 hours; 11th grade 20 hours; 12th grade 25 hours), students contributed over 36,000 hours of community service last year.

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

One third of the Class of 2018 - 52 of 179 students - took 101 Advanced Placement exams.

40% earned a 4 or 5  
35% earned a 3

## COLLEGE AID

The Class of 2018 was awarded more than \$25 million in grants, scholarships, and tuition assistance.

## COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES FROM 2016-2018

American Musical & Dramatic Academy	John Carroll University	Temple University
American University	Lafayette College	Trinity College of Dublin
Arizona State University	LaSalle College	Tufts University
Auburn University	Le Moyne College	Union College
Binghamton University	Loyola University - Chicago	United States Air Force Academy
Boston University	Loyola University - Maryland	University of California, Santa Clara
Bowling Green University	Loyola Marymount University	University of Connecticut
Brandeis University	Marist College	University of Ireland
Brown University	Marquette University	University of New Hampshire
Case Western Reserve University	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	University of Notre Dame
Clemson University	Merrimack College	University of Pennsylvania
Colby College	Miami University	Villanova University
Colgate University	Michigan State University	Virginia Tech
College of Charleston	New York University	Wake Forest University
College of the Holy Cross	Northeastern University	Wentworth Institute of Technology
College of William & Mary	Pennsylvania State University	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Colorado State University	Pepperdine University	Xavier University
Connecticut College	Providence College	Yale University
Cornell University	Purdue University	
Creighton University	Quinnipiac University	
Delaware State University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	
Drexel University	Rhode Island School of Design	
Duquesne University	Rochester Institute of Technology	
Elon University	Roger Williams University	
Emerson College	Rutgers University	
Fairfield University	Sacred Heart University	
Fairleigh Dickinson University	Saint Anselm College	
Florida A&M University	Saint John's University	
Fordham University	Saint Louis University	
Georgetown University	Saint Michael's College	
George Washington University	Seton Hall University	
Hofstra University	Stonehill College	
Indiana University	Syracuse University	
Iona University		
Ithaca University		
James Madison University		

**CAIS**



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**NCEA**  
National Catholic Educational Association