

Notre Dame High School- Belmont

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SCHOOL

Notre Dame High School, Belmont is an independent Catholic college preparatory school dedicated to the educational mission of St. Julie Billiart and the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. Notre Dame High School was established by the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur in 1851 and moved to the historic William Ralston Estate in 1923. The school is located on 10.6 acres in Belmont, California, a professional suburban community located midway between San Francisco and San Jose.

MISSION

We are a caring and compassionate community committed to promoting justice and peace while developing responsible young women of active faith, strong intellect, and Christian leadership. We develop the gifts and talents of each student and foster Gospel values in an environment of academic excellence and mutual respect.

COMMUNITY

The school draws its student body principally from San Mateo County. Families of the school often reflect middle to upper middle class economic background. Of the 454 students, 128 comprise the senior class. In addition, 4.8 % are international students. The student/teaching faculty ratio is 12:1, and the student/teaching faculty and professional staff ratio is 9.4:1. The average class size is 20.14. For the class of 2020, 93% of students enrolled into a 4-year college while 7% went to community college.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

Notre Dame High School offers a strong interscholastic sports program including cross-country, tennis, golf, volleyball, water polo, basketball, soccer, swimming, softball, and track and field. Cheerleading is part of the program as it competes in regional and national competitions each year. Other activities include associated student body, student council, California Scholarship Federation, National Honor Society, two school



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FACULTY/ADMINISTRATION:

47.88 FTE, 92% hold one or more Advanced degrees

ACCREDITATION:

Western Association of Schools and Colleges

CEEB: #050275

publications (*The Catalyst*, and yearbook), and clubs and organizations.

TRI-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Notre Dame High School- Belmont, Mercy High School-Burlingame, and Junipero Serra High School participate in a Tri-School (T-S) program that provides co-educational experiences in the areas of academics, performing arts, and student activities.



COVID-19 RESPONSE

On March 9th, 2020, Notre Dame moved to an online synchronous learning model, with accommodations for students who require an asynchronous learning exception. In addition, NDB transitioned from an alternating block schedule to a fixed block schedule with Wednesdays reserved for flexible instruction. During this transition to online learning, we covered regular course content as well as maintained letter grades reported on transcripts for Spring 2020. Lastly, the requirement for community service hours was reduced to 70 for the Class of 2021. NDB will remain in this online model through December 30th, 2020 pending further instructions from the County of San Mateo.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT AND HONORS CURRICULUM

Students must meet faculty recommendation and course prerequisite grades to qualify.

Honors Courses (15)

American Sign Language III
American Sign Language IV
Anatomy & Physiology (T-S)
English I
English II
Geometry
Algebra II
Pre-calculus
Biology
Chemistry
Modern World History
Photography III
Sculpture III
French III
Spanish III

Advanced Placement Courses (22)

Art History
Biology
Calculus AB
Calculus BC
Chemistry
Chinese (Tri-School)
Computer Science A (Tri-School)
Computer Science Principles (Started Fall 2019)
English Language and Composition
English Literature and Composition
French Language and Culture
Human Geography (Started F2020)
Physics I
Psychology
Spanish Language and Culture Spanish
Literature and Culture Statistics
Studio Art: 2-D, 3-D, Drawing
United States Government/Politics
United States History

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS (Class of 2020 & 2021)

In May of 2020, 145 students took 243 examinations in 19 subject areas. From this total, 86.2% earned a score of 3 or higher.

Graduation Requirements

The minimum course load for a student is 30 credits per semester for all grade levels. Most students take 35 credits per semester. 240 credits with the following distribution are required for graduation:

English 40 credits
Mathematics 30 credits
Physical Education 10 credits
Spiritual Life 40 credits
Science 30 credits
Social Sciences 30 credits
Visual/Performing Arts 10 credits
World Languages 20 credits
Electives 30 credits
Plus 80 Hours of Community Service.

GRADING AND CLASS RANK

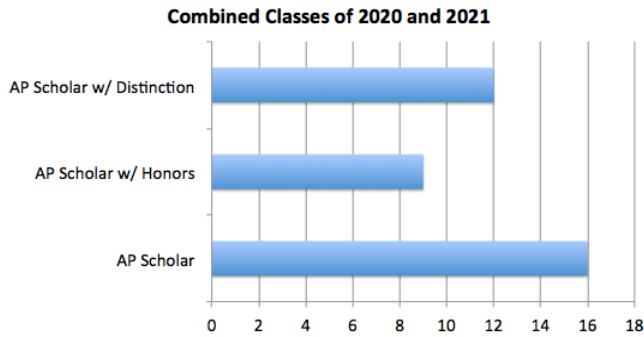
The calculation of a student's academic standing is based on a weighted grade point average. Grade reporting is two (2) times per year. We do not report class rank.

Grade Scale Change beginning Fall 2019

A+ 98-100	C 73- 77
A 93- 97	C- 70-72
A- 90- 92	D+ 68- 69
B+ 88- 89	D 63- 67
B 83- 87	D- 60- 62
B- 80- 82	F 59 and below
C+78- 79	

NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Advanced Placement Recognition



National Merit Scholarships

PSAT/NMSQT exams are offered to 10th & 11th graders at NDB every October.

Class of 2018: 2 Commended Students

Class of 2019: 1 Finalist/3 Commended Students

Class of 2020: 2 Finalists/2 Commended Students

Class of 2021: 2 Commended Students

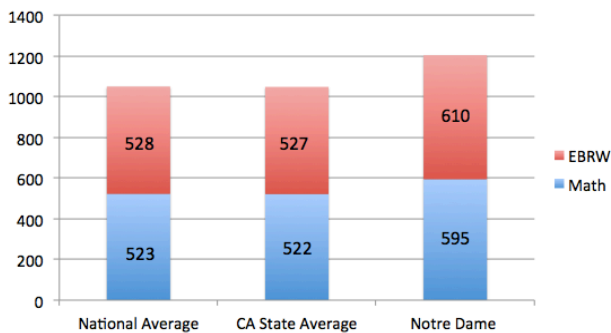
College Board National Recognitions Program

Top 2.5% of PSAT/NMSQT Test-takers Identified as Affican, Hispanic, or Latinx Americans, or Indigenous.

Class of 2021: 2 Scholars

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SAT Mean Class of 2020

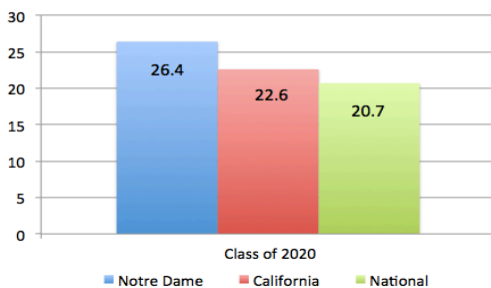


Students on average scored a 610 on Evidenced Based Reading and Writing and 595 on Math, exceeding benchmark levels.

SAT II Subject Exam –Mean

- Biology (m)- 655
- Chemistry- 708
- English Literature- 647
- Spanish- 660
- Math L2- 696
- Physics- 630

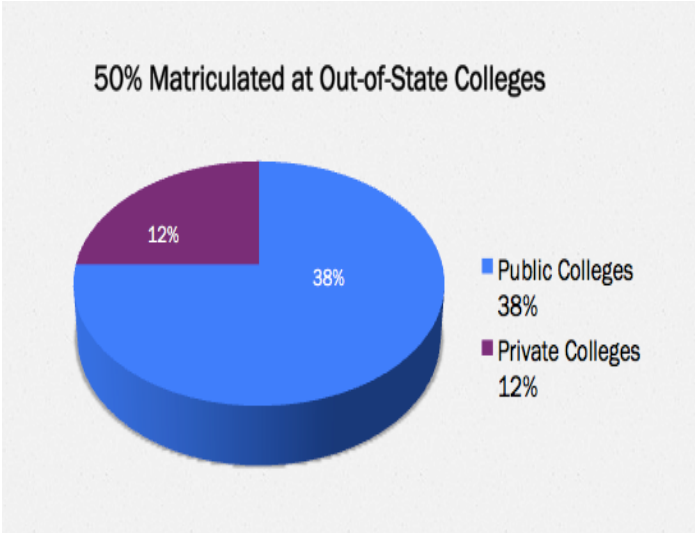
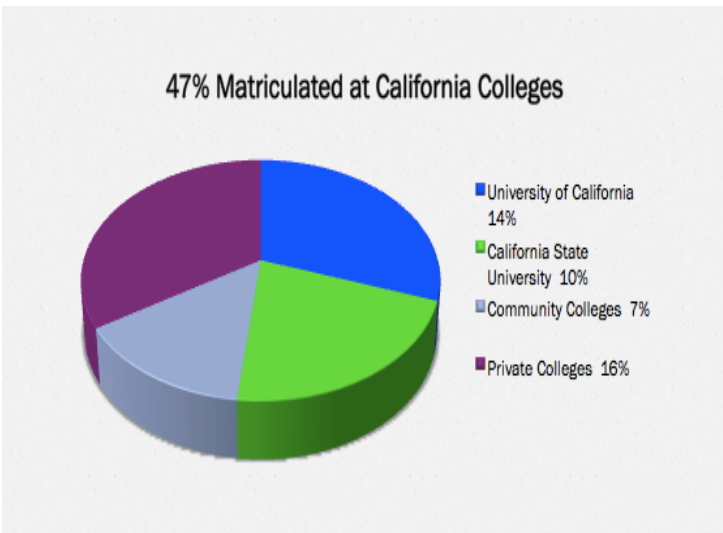
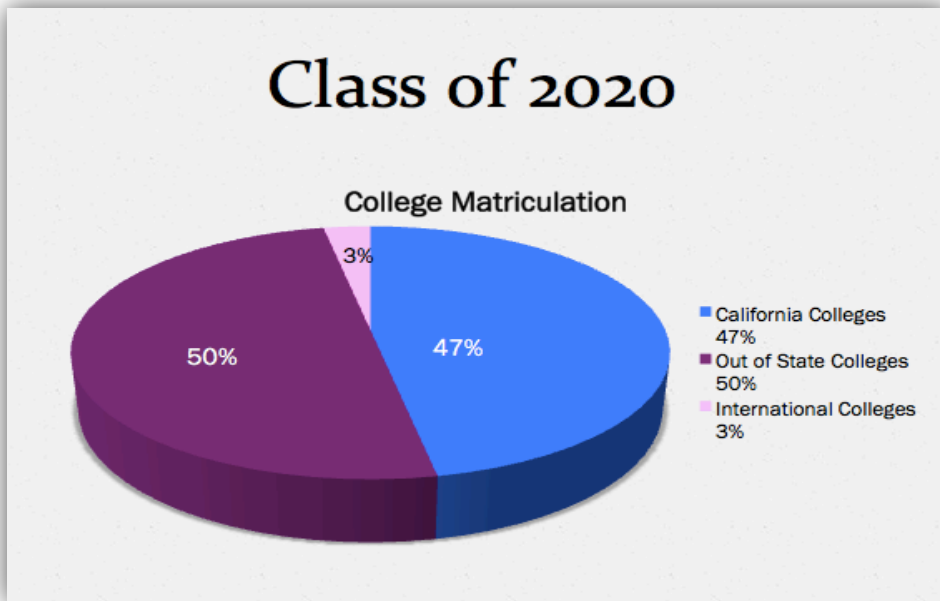
ACT Average 2020 Graduating Class



ACT Average Individual Composite Scores at NDB exceeding all benchmark levels.

- English score: 28.1
- Math score: 24.9
- Reading score: 27.9
- Science score: 25.5
- STEM score: 25.2

Class of 2020



Class of 2018- 2020 College Acceptances Partial List

Adelphi University
 American University
 Arizona State University
 Auburn University
 Azusa Pacific University
 Babson College
 Bard College
 Barnard College
 Baylor University
 Belmont University
 Bennington College
 Berklee College of Music
 Biola University

Boise State University
 Boston University
 Bryant University
 Butler University
 California Lutheran University
 California State University Campuses
 California Northstate University College of Health Science
 Carnegie Mellon University
 Carroll College
 Central Washington University
 Chaminade University of Honolulu
 Chapman University
 Chicago State University

Clark University
 Clemson University
 Colby-Sawyer College
 College of Charleston
 Colorado State University
 Columbia University
 Creighton University
 Denison University
 DePaul University
 Dominican University of California
 Drake University
 Drexel University
 Duke University
 Elmhurst College
 Elon University
 Emory University
 Fordham University
 Franklin Pierce University
 George Washington University
 Gettysburg College
 Gonzaga University
 Hawaii Pacific University
 High Point University
 Holy Names University
 Howard University
 Indiana University at Bloomington
 Kansas State University
 La Salle University
 Lehigh University
 Lesley University
 Lewis & Clark College
 Linfield University
 Long Island University (Brooklyn)
 Louisiana State University
 Loyola Marymount University
 Loyola University (Chicago, Maryland & New Orleans)
 Manhattan College
 Marist College
 Marquette University
 Maryland Institute College of Art
 Marymount California University
 Marymount Manhattan College
 McDaniel College
 Menlo College
 Miami University- Oxford
 Michigan State University
 Montana State University
 Mount Allison University (CAN)
 Mount Saint Mary's University
 New York Institute of Technology
 New York University
 Northeastern University
 Northern Arizona University
 Notre Dame de Namur University
 Occidental College
 Ohio State University
 Oregon State University
 Pace University
 Pacific Lutheran University
 Penn State University
 Pepperdine University
 Pitzer College
 Pratt Institute
 Princeton University
 Purdue University
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
 Rochester Institute of Technology
 Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
 Rutgers University
 Ryerson University (CAN)
 Saint Mary's College of California
 Santa Clara University
 Sarah Lawrence College
 Seattle University
 Seton Hall University
 Southern Methodist University
 St. Johns University
 Stanford University
 SUNY- (Binghamton, Stony Brook)
 Syracuse University
 Texas A & M (College Station)
 Texas Christian University
 The New School (Parsons)
 Tufts University
 Tulane University
 United States Air Force
 University of Arizona
 University of British Columbia (CAN)
 University of California Campuses
 University College Dublin
 University of Colorado (Boulder, Colorado Springs, Denver)
 University of Connecticut
 University of Florida
 University of Georgia
 University of Illinois (Urbana-Champaign, Chicago)
 University of Massachusetts (Amherst & Boston)
 University of Miami
 University of Michigan
 University of Minnesota- Twin Cities
 University of Missouri- Columbia
 University of Nevada (Reno, Las Vegas)
 University of Oregon
 University of Portland
 University of Puget Sound
 University of Rochester
 University of San Diego
 University of San Francisco
 University of Southern California
 University of St. Andrews (UK).
 University of the Pacific
 University of Texas, Austin
 University of Washington
 University of Wisconsin- Madison
 Vanderbilt University
 Villanova University
 Virginia Tech
 Wake Forest University
 Washington State University
 Washington University in St. Louis
 Wellesley College
 Whitman College
 William & Mary (College of)
 Willamette University
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute
 Xavier University
 York University (CAN)