

COVENANT DAY SCHOOL



High School Profile 2009-2010

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Administration

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MISSION: to assist the Christian family by providing an education marked by a biblical worldview, academic excellence, and affordability so that students are equipped to be salt and light for God's glory.

School Code

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Community

- Located in Matthews, North Carolina (a suburb of Charlotte)

School

- TK-12, independent, Christian, college preparatory, day school founded in 1989.
- Strives to prepare students for the future with rigorous academics, emphasis on community service, and a biblical worldview.
- Total Student Population: 818
- High School Population : 270

High School Faculty

- 32 teaching faculty
- 65% have advanced degrees
- 1 Principal
- 1 Athletic Director
- 1 Guidance Counselor
- 1 Professional Counselor
- 1 Library Media Specialist
- 2 Technology Coordinators

Accreditation/Affiliation

- A ministry of Christ Covenant Church (PCA)
- Christian Schools International (CSI)
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)
- North American Coalition for Christian Admissions Professionals (NACCAP)
- National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP)
- National Honor Society (NHS)
- National Beta Club
- The College Board

SINCE 2006 Results

(first graduating class)

Total number of graduates to date is 179.

National Merit Finalists

Five National Merit Finalists
Sixteen National Merit Commended

Advanced Placement

CDS students have sat for 697 exams since May, 2006.

73%	Earned a 3 or higher
49%	Earned a 4 or higher
24%	Earned a 5

Graduation Requirements

A student must accumulate 24 Carnegie Units to graduate.

- 4 units of math —
- 4 units of English —
- 3 units of social studies —
- 3 units of science —
- 3 units of Bible —

(must be enrolled in a Bible course each year at CDS),

- 1 unit of Physical Education/Health —
- 6 elective units —

(1 of which must be a fine arts credit)

A student must also complete a total of 100 service hours during high school.

CLASS of 2009 Results

Advanced Placement

90 CDS students sat for 198 AP exams in May, 2009.

70%	Earned a 3 or higher
40%	Earned a 4 or higher
15%	Earned a 5

SAT & ACT Scores

Average test scores include 100% of class.

SAT old scale	SAT new scale	ACT composite
1149	1740	24

Mobile Computing Program

All high school students purchase a netbook/tablet computer for their use both in and out of the classroom. The mobile computing program gives teachers and students around-the-clock access to these computers, which are used as tools seamlessly integrated into major curricular areas. The computers enable students to access, analyze, manipulate, and present information using real-world business applications like Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and FrontPage.

Community Service Distinctive

Community service is a key emphasis of our high school program. In keeping with the school's mission to equip students to be salt and light, this focus helps fulfill our desire to inculcate in students the habit of giving of themselves and their resources. Students are required to commit twenty-five hours annually to service projects of their choice. Many students far exceed this requirement. We encourage and focus attention on both local community service to the Matthews area as well as international service. During the 2008-2009 school year, many students worked on the construction of a Habitat for Humanity house in Matthews and others volunteered as tutors to local children. El Shaddai ministries in Haiti has been a focus for international outreach. In February of 2009 a group of faculty and students traveled to Les Cayes, Haiti and visited seven orphanages where they were able to serve over 1,000 orphans to deliver supplies donated by Covenant Day School students and families. We hope that this partnership continues to be one in which the people of Haiti benefit and the lives of CDS faculty, administration, and students are changed.

"... We are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ." (II Corinthians 10:5)

A History of Excellence... A Future of Promise

C o v e n a n t D a y S c h o o l

Course Offerings

Students must apply and be approved for the following courses. Students are limited in AP courses due to size of student and faculty population. Often courses are only offered once in a day.

Honors

Algebra II
American Literature
Anatomy/Physiology
Biology I, II
British Literature
Chemistry I, II
Comp & Literature
Environmental Science
French III, IV
Geometry
Gov't/Economics
Latin III, IV, V
Physics
Pre-Calculus
Spanish III, IV, V
United States History
World History
World Literature

Advanced Placement

Calculus AB
Computer Science A
English Language
English Literature
Environmental Science
European History
French Language
Government: U.S. Politics
Human Geography
Latin Vergil
Physics B
Physics C
Spanish Language
Statistics
United States History

Grade Point Average

Computation

The GPA is determined by adding the equivalent GPA quality points for each course and dividing the total by the number of credits earned. GPA is computed based on all subjects taken in grades 9-12. Honors courses are given one extra quality point. Advanced placement courses are given two extra quality points.

Grading Scale

Grade	Scale	Unweighted	Honors	AP
A+	98-100	4.3	5.3	6.3
A	95-97	4.0	5.0	6.0
A-	93-94	3.7	4.7	5.7
B+	90-92	3.3	4.3	5.3
B	87-89	3.0	4.0	5.0
B-	84-86	2.7	3.7	4.7
C+	80-83	2.3	3.3	4.3
C	74-79	2.0	3.0	4.0
C-	70-73	1.7	2.7	3.7
D	65-69	1.0	1.0	1.0
F	0-64	0.0	0.0	0

Class Rank

Due to the small class size and the college-bound nature of Covenant Day School's population, we believe that class rank is not a strong discriminator from which to predict college performance. Therefore, CDS does not rank its students.

Class of 2009

College Acceptances

Anderson University
Appalachian State University
Asbury College
Baylor University
Barry University
Berry College
Bethany College of Missions
Catawba College
Campbell University
Charleston Southern University
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
Covenant College
Dickinson College
Duke University
East Carolina University
Elon University
Emory University
Gardner-Webb University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Grove City College
Guilford College
High Point University
Houghton College
Indiana Wesleyan University
Kenyon College
King College
Lenoir-Rhyne College
Liberty University
Marshall University
Mary Baldwin College
Milligan College
Montreat College
North Carolina State University
New York University
Palm Beach Atlantic University
Queens University of Charlotte
Radford University
Samford University
St. Bonaventure University
Savannah College of Art and Design
Southeastern University
Taylor University
Texas Christian University
The College of William and Mary
Toccoa Falls College
UNC-Chapel Hill
UNC-Charlotte
UNC-Greensboro
UNC-Pembroke
UNC-Wilmington
University of Alabama
University of South Carolina
University of Wisconsin
Washington University of St. Louis
Western Carolina University
Westmont College
Wheaton College
Wingate University
Xavier University

Athletics

Covenant Day School is a member of the Metroline Athletic Conference, a 2A/3A conference in the North Carolina Independent Schools Athletic Association.

2005-2006: 1A Wachovia Cup Winner
2006-2007: 2A Wachovia Cup Winner
2007-2008: 2A Wachovia Cup Winner
2008-2009: 3A state champs (boys swimming)

Athletic Director: Mark Jones
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Varsity Sports

Male:

- Cross Country
- Tennis
- Soccer
- Basketball
- Swimming
- Track & Field
- Baseball
- Golf

Female:

- Cross Country
- Volleyball
- Tennis
- Soccer
- Basketball
- Swimming
- Track & Field
- Cheerleading
- Golf
- Softball

Fine Arts

The CDS Fine Arts Department seeks to equip students with the knowledge and skills necessary to join with God in His creative act for His glory through the various creative disciplines.

Fine Arts Department Head: Karen Ernsberger
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Performing Arts:

- Band I-IV
- Choir
- Media Productions
- Theater I-IV

Visual Arts:

- AP Studio Art
- Art I-IV
- Culinary Arts
- Graphic Design
- Photography

Notice of Nondiscrimination

Covenant Day School admits students of any race, color, national, or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national, or ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, or athletic and other school administered programs.